

# Project 1 - Team 3

Stock Market Analysis





# Our Team Members & GitHub Repository

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**GitHub Repository:** <https://github.com/Mono-Co/project-one-team3>



# What is our research question?

We are working for a large equity-trading company, and have been tasked with researching for a client's portfolio. Your client wants to invest in a "Tech" stocks and needs expert analysis to make the right decision.

The primary objective of this project is to perform a comprehensive analysis of upto 6 Tech Companies on the Nasdaq stock market, use available historical data from the Nasdaq and make a recommendation.





# Companies under analysis

The Project included a review of the following stocks over a 12 month period;

Google GOOG,

Meta (owner of Facebook) META,

Microsoft MSFT,

MicroStrategy MSTR,

Apple AAPL,

Monday MNDY.





# Stock Market Review Process

1

**Obtain Data using NASDAQ API**

We used the API QUOTEMEDIA/PRICES...  
This allows for a direct query of a 'Ticker'  
and return in a Table format.

**Data Collection**

2

**Clean and Re-Structure Data**

Using the Python tools we rearranged the  
data to suit our analysis needs

**Data Cleaning**

3

**Complete the Analysis**

Using the Matplotlib tools as related charts  
/ plots to visualize the analysis

**Analysis**

4

**Make Recommendation**

Based on the analysis we were able to  
make a recommendation on the stock to  
the Client.

**Conclusion**



# Stock Market Review

## Outline of our project;

Identifying the coding **dependencies**, our API to obtain the data was **nasdaqdatalink** from Nasdaq. Also we incorporated matplotlib.pyplot for creating static plots & statistics for statistical analysis

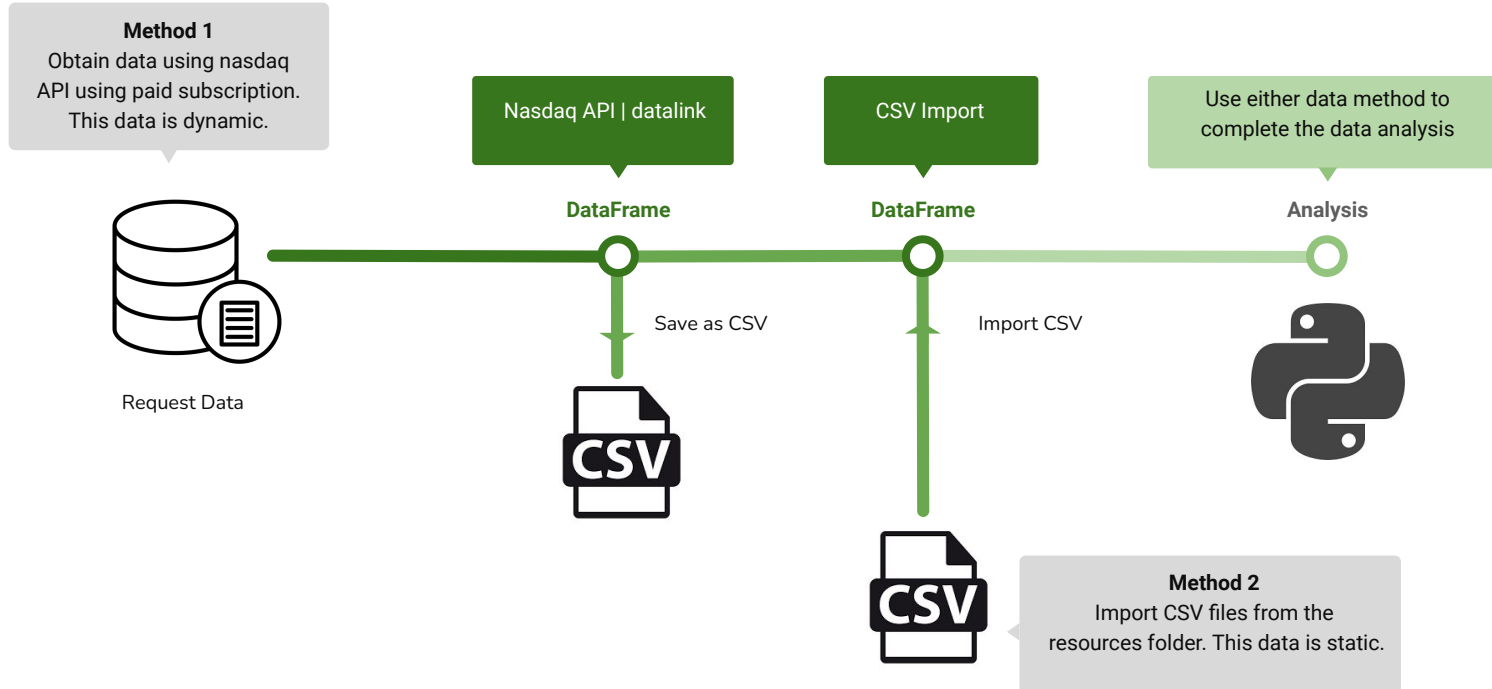
The stock data was initially obtained through the API, and following data **cleaning and processing** saved as CSV files for re-importing as Pandas DataFrames.

To obtain insights into the performance of each stock, a thorough **analysis** of metrics such as open, high, low, close prices, and trading volume, moving averages was conducted. A historical view of the closing price for all stocks in the company list was generated. Also generated **charts & plots** are used to visualise and analyse the data.

This project offers insightful information about the stock market performance of the companies chosen from the Nasdaq. Investors can make well-informed decisions about their investing plans by using historical stock price data analysis and key metrics visualization.

# Data Collection

# We Used Two Broad Methods For Data







# Method | Dependencies

Our project included the following setup and dependencies;

```
import hvplot.pandas
import pandas as pd
import nasdaqdatalink
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import statistics as st
import scipy.stats as stpy
from scipy.stats import linregress
import matplotlib.ticker as ticker
```



# Method | NASDAQ Data Link

Our project included the NASDAQ DATALINK;

The NASDAQ DATALINK is based on the QUOTEMEDIA/PRICES request using the NASDAQ API / SDK.

To install the NASDAQ DATA LINK we opened a new terminal in our Anaconda environments and ran the command '**pip install nasdaq-data-link**'. This installed the required software. A user needs to create an account on NASDAQ and generate an API key. For “**nasdaq-data-link**” the API is noted in the api\_config.py file, therefore no API\_Config.py file is provided in the GitHub Repository.

The screenshot shows the NASDAQ Data Link documentation website. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with the following items: DOCUMENTATION, GETTING STARTED, DATA ORGANIZATION, ACCESS OPTIONS AND AUTHENTICATION, API USAGE, STREAMING API, API FOR REAL-TIME OR DELAYED DATA, TIME-SERIES, TABLES, ANALYSIS TOOLS, EXCEL FOR TIME-SERIES AND TABLES DATA, PYTHON FOR TIME-SERIES AND TABLES DATA, INSTALLATION & AUTHENTICATION (highlighted in blue), TIME-SERIES, TABLES, R FOR TIME-SERIES AND TABLES DATA, and SQL. The main content area is titled 'INSTALLATION & AUTHENTICATION' and includes an 'INSTALLATION' section with instructions on how to download the package and a code block for the installation command. Below this is an 'AUTHENTICATION' section.

**INSTALLATION & AUTHENTICATION**

**INSTALLATION**

You can download the Nasdaq Data Link Python package from [PyPi](#) or from [GitHub](#). Follow the installation instructions below.

**NOTE:** Installation of the Nasdaq Data Link Python package varies depending on your system.

On most systems, the following commands will initiate installation:

```
Python
pip install nasdaq-data-link
import nasdaqdatalink
```

On some systems, you may need this command instead:

```
Python
pip3 install nasdaq-data-link
import nasdaqdatalink
```

Additionally, you can find detailed installation instructions for Python modules here: [Python 3.x](#).

**AUTHENTICATION**

The basic NASDAQ DATA LINK code & response is per the below;

```
# Use Pandas Nasdaq Data Link to get stock data

META_stock = nasdaqdatalink.get_table('QUOTEMEDIA/PRICES',
                                       qopts = { 'columns': ['ticker', 'date', 'open', 'high', 'low', 'close', 'volume'] },
                                       ticker = ['META'],
                                       date = { 'gte': '2023-04-01', 'lte': '2024-04-01' })

print(f"Downloaded {len(META_stock)} rows of data.")

# Display sample data
#META_stock.head()
```

Downloaded 250 rows of data.

	None	ticker	date	open	high	low	close	volume
0	249	META	2023-04-03	208.840	213.4861	208.200	213.07	17887238.0
1	248	META	2023-04-04	213.390	216.2400	212.540	214.72	20977958.0
2	247	META	2023-04-05	214.150	215.1900	209.940	211.48	19331864.0
3	246	META	2023-04-06	209.250	216.9400	208.650	216.10	26104411.0
4	245	META	2023-04-10	214.710	215.6600	210.660	214.75	15841652.0
5	244	META	2023-04-11	215.480	216.0200	213.410	213.85	16348387.0
6	243	META	2023-04-12	214.835	216.8400	212.584	214.00	18859583.0
7	242	META	2023-04-13	215.730	221.1500	215.690	220.35	23233212.0
8	241	META	2023-04-14	217.880	222.1100	217.550	221.49	21532908.0
9	240	META	2023-04-17	219.790	220.9790	217.130	218.86	15411724.0
10	239	META	2023-04-18	219.910	220.4400	216.210	217.89	12209744.0

# Data Cleaning



# Method | Data Manipulation

Our project we were required to manipulate the data using Python functions such as;

- Sorting by date, the data from nasdaqdatalink required to be reversed and reset the index.
- Creating new data and identifying specific data;
  - Moving Averages 10 , 20 & 50 days.
  - Closing price (Mean, Media, Variance & Standard Deviation)
  - Daily Change
  - Daily Percent Change
  - Minimum Close Price
  - Maximum Close Price

The stock sorting by date code & response is per the below;

```
#Change Date Order
GOOG_date = GOOG_stock.sort_values(by="date").reset_index()
META_date = META_stock.sort_values(by="date").reset_index()
MSFT_date = MSFT_stock.sort_values(by="date").reset_index()
MSTR_date = MSTR_stock.sort_values(by="date").reset_index()
AAPL_date = AAPL_stock.sort_values(by="date").reset_index()
MNDY_date = MNDY_stock.sort_values(by="date").reset_index()
#TEAM_date = TEAM_stock.sort_values(by="date").reset_index()
```

```
#Test the changes with a sample data frame
META_date.head(11)
```

	None	ticker	date	open	high	low	close	volume
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The stock data creating for Moving Average (10, 20 & 50 Days), Daily Change, Daily Percent Change, Average Trade Volume, code & response is per the below;

```
#Lets add the moving averages of the Stocks, for 10, 20 & 50 days to the data frames

ma_day = [10, 20, 50]

for ma in ma_day:
    for company in company_list:
        column_name = f"MA for {ma} days"
        company[column_name] = company['close'].rolling(ma).mean()

#Lets add the daily % change, Average Trade volume, Daily Change and Average Percent Cgange of the stocks to the
for company in company_list:
    company['Daily Percent Change'] = company['close'].pct_change()
    company['Average Trade Volume'] = company['volume'].mean()
    company['Daily Change'] = (company['close']-company['open'])
    company['Average Percent Change'] = company['Daily Percent Change'].mean()

#Test by checking a sample stock
AAPL_data.head(11)
```

Unnamed: 0	None	ticker	date	open	high	low	close	volume	MA for 10 days	MA for 20 days	MA for 50 days	Daily Percent Change	Average Trade Volume	
0	0	249	AAPL	2023-04-03	164.270	166.2900	164.22	166.17	54893192.0	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	5.631651e+1
1	1	248	AAPL	2023-04-04	166.595	166.8400	165.11	165.63	44435155.0	NaN	NaN	NaN	-0.003250	5.631651e+1

# Analysis



The stock data for Mean, Median, Variance and Standard Deviation on the stock Close code & response is per the below;

```
#Summary stats
data_close = pd.DataFrame({"GOOG": GOOG_stock_df["close"],
                           "META": META_stock_df["close"],
                           "MSFT": MSFT_stock_df["close"],
                           "MSTR": MSTR_stock_df["close"],
                           "AAPL": AAPL_stock_df["close"],
                           "MNDY": MNDY_stock_df["close"],
                           "TEAM": TEAM_stock_df["close"]})

aggregate = data_close.aggregate([st.mean, st.median, st.variance, st.stdev])

print(f"The summary statistics for closing prices of our data: Orange is max, green is min")
aggregate.style.highlight_max(axis=1, color = "orange").highlight_min(axis=1, color = "lightgreen")
```

The summary statistics for closing prices of our data: Orange is max, green is min

	GOOG	META	MSFT	MSTR	AAPL	MNDY	TEAM
mean	131.511420	329.996540	351.165940	518.510980	181.003000	172.628800	191.009080
median	133.235000	311.715000	337.855000	407.520000	180.730000	172.535000	190.610000
variance	148.137678	6359.356429	1489.332890	117372.845809	83.995385	895.243658	711.834533
stdev	12.171182	79.745573	38.591876	342.597206	9.164900	29.920623	26.680227

**Note:** Pandas dataframes can be stylised using the .style function.



# Analysis | Charting & Visualisation

Our project includes visualising data using line charts, box plots, bar charts and scatter plots.

- Calculating & Plotting the following:
  - Distribution of Closing Price of each company
  - Closing Price of each stock on a single Chart as a time-series
  - Plot max close price for each company
  - Max Volume of Sales
  - Group volume into categories and plot
  - 10 days, 20 days, 30 days Moving Average of Stocks
  - Percentage of Daily Return of the shares
  - Correlation between recommended stocks closing price and trading volume, including Linear Regression

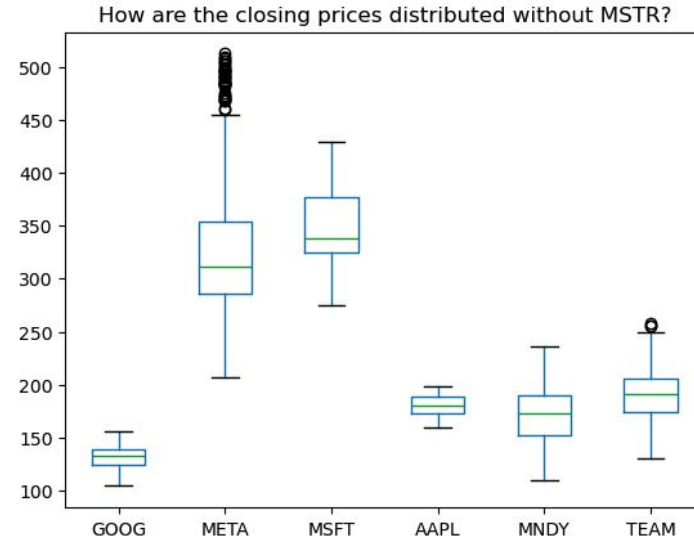
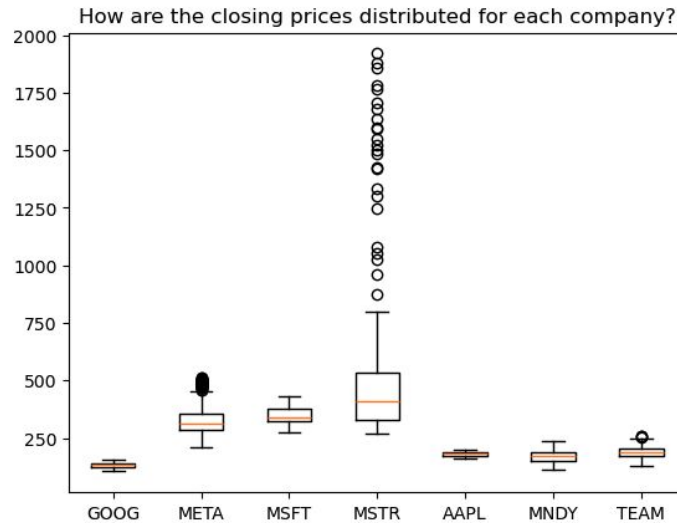


# Closing Price Analysis

The closing price is the last price at which a security traded during the regular trading day. A security's closing price is the standard benchmark used by investors to track its performance over time.

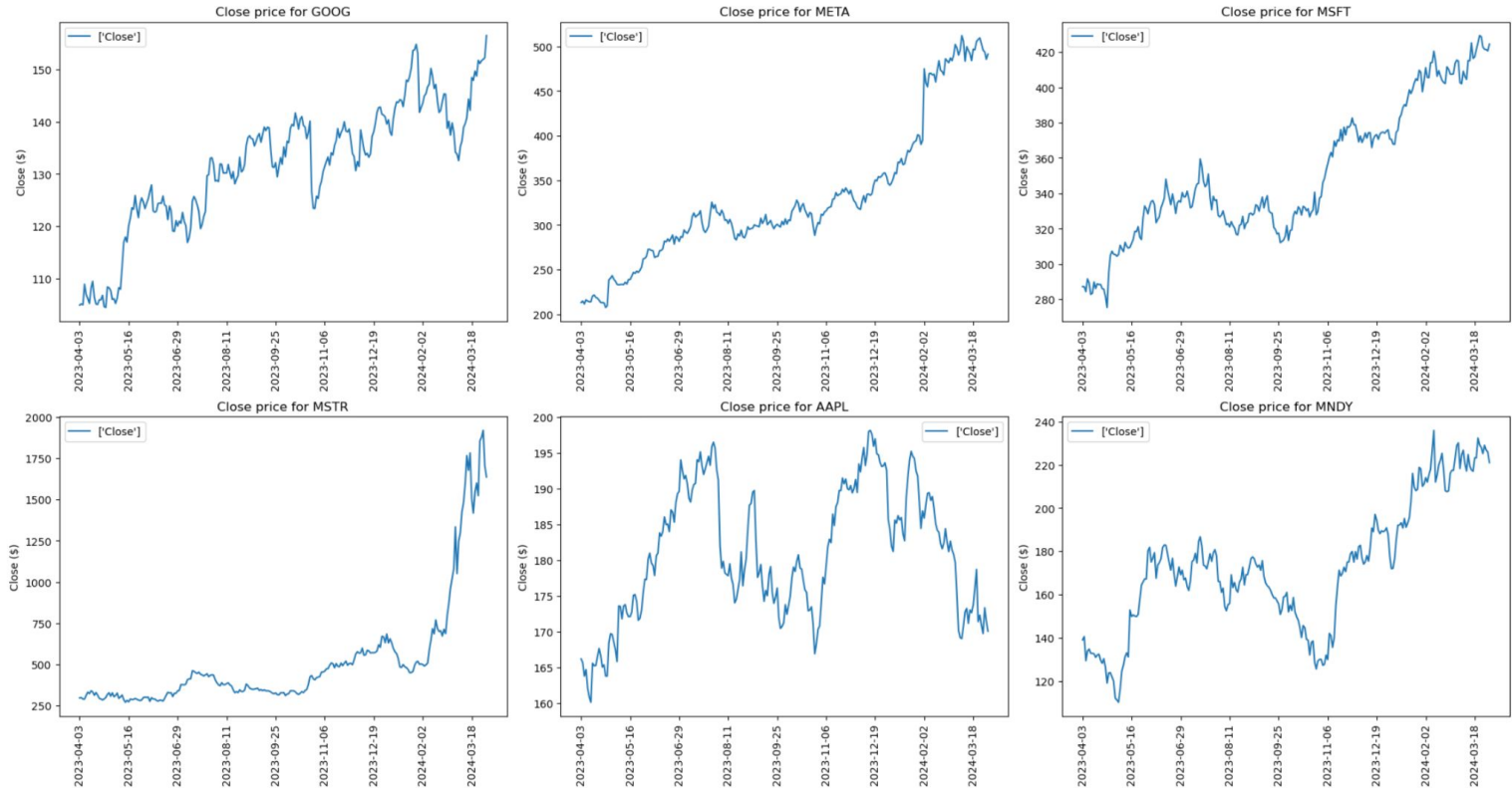
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Visualising the spread of closing prices for each company.



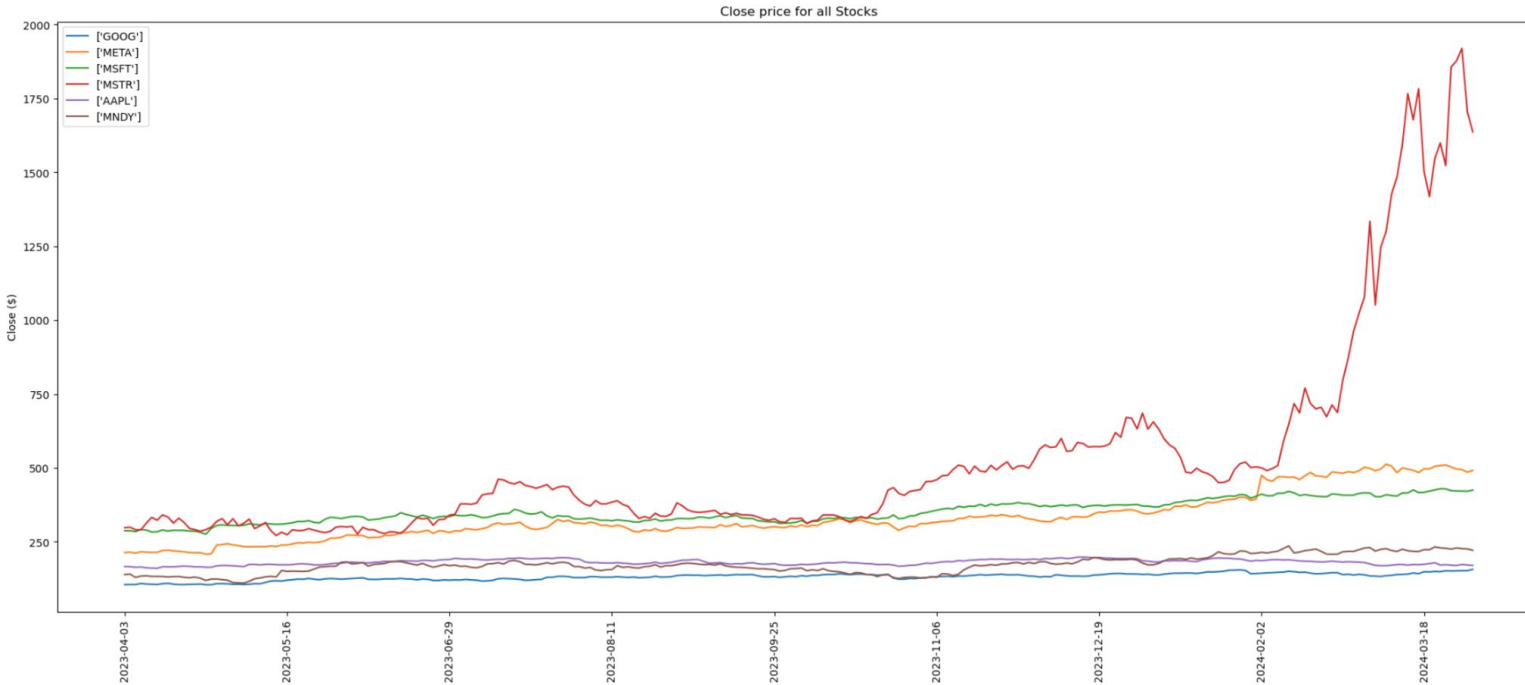
**Observation:** The summary stats and boxplots show us that AAPL stock remains predictable with least std dev and least movement while MSTR shows max std dev and a lot of movement throughout the year, followed by META

Plotting the Closing Price of each company response is per the below;



**Observation:** All stocks have had positive increases over the 12 month review.

Plotting the Closing Price of each company response is per the below;



Company	52W Open Stock Price	52W Highest Stock Price	52W Lowest Stock Price	52W Close Stock Price	52W Stock Change (\$)	52W Stock Change Percent (%)
GOOG	102.67	157.00	102.380	156.50	53.83	52.430116
META	208.84	523.57	207.130	491.35	282.51	135.275809
MSFT	286.52	430.82	275.370	424.57	138.05	48.181628
MSTR	290.99	1999.99	266.000	1636.74	1345.75	462.472937
AAPL	164.27	199.62	159.780	170.03	5.76	3.506422
MNDY	140.16	239.22	108.345	221.00	80.84	57.676941

We extracted data for max closing price per company:

```
[28]: #Create a dataframe with only highest stock price and volume traded:
company_high = []
company_maxvol = []
for company in company_list:
    company_high.append(company["high"].max())
    company_maxvol.append(company["volume"].max())

stockprice_volume_df = pd.DataFrame({"Company": company_name,
                                     "Highest Stock Price": company_high,
                                     "Max Volume": company_maxvol})
stockprice_volume_df
```

```
[28]:
```

	Company	Highest Stock Price	Max Volume
0	GOOG	157.00	58456507.0
1	META	523.57	84391922.0
2	MSFT	430.82	72300798.0
3	MSTR	1999.99	5635349.0
4	AAPL	199.62	135399206.0
5	MNDY	239.22	5083390.0
6	TEAM	258.69	9307594.0

We then plotted the max closing price for each company;

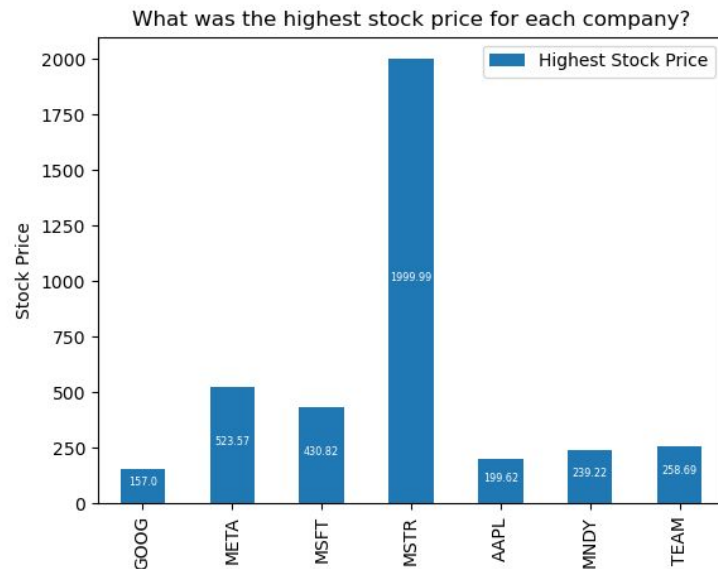
#Create a bar plot for highest stock price:

```
def addlabels(x,y):
    for i in range(len(x)):
        plt.text(i,y[i]//2,y[i], ha = 'center', color = 'white', fontsize = 'xx-small')

x = stockprice_volume_df["Company"]
y = stockprice_volume_df["Highest Stock Price"]

stockprice_volume_df.plot(kind = "bar", x = "Company", y = "Highest Stock Price")
plt.title("What was the highest stock price for each company?")
plt.ylabel("Stock Price")
addlabels(x,y)

plt.savefig("./output_data/stock_price_bar.png")
plt.show()
```



**Observation:** MSTR seems to have the max stock price

**Note:** For adding datapoint values, you have to define a function first.



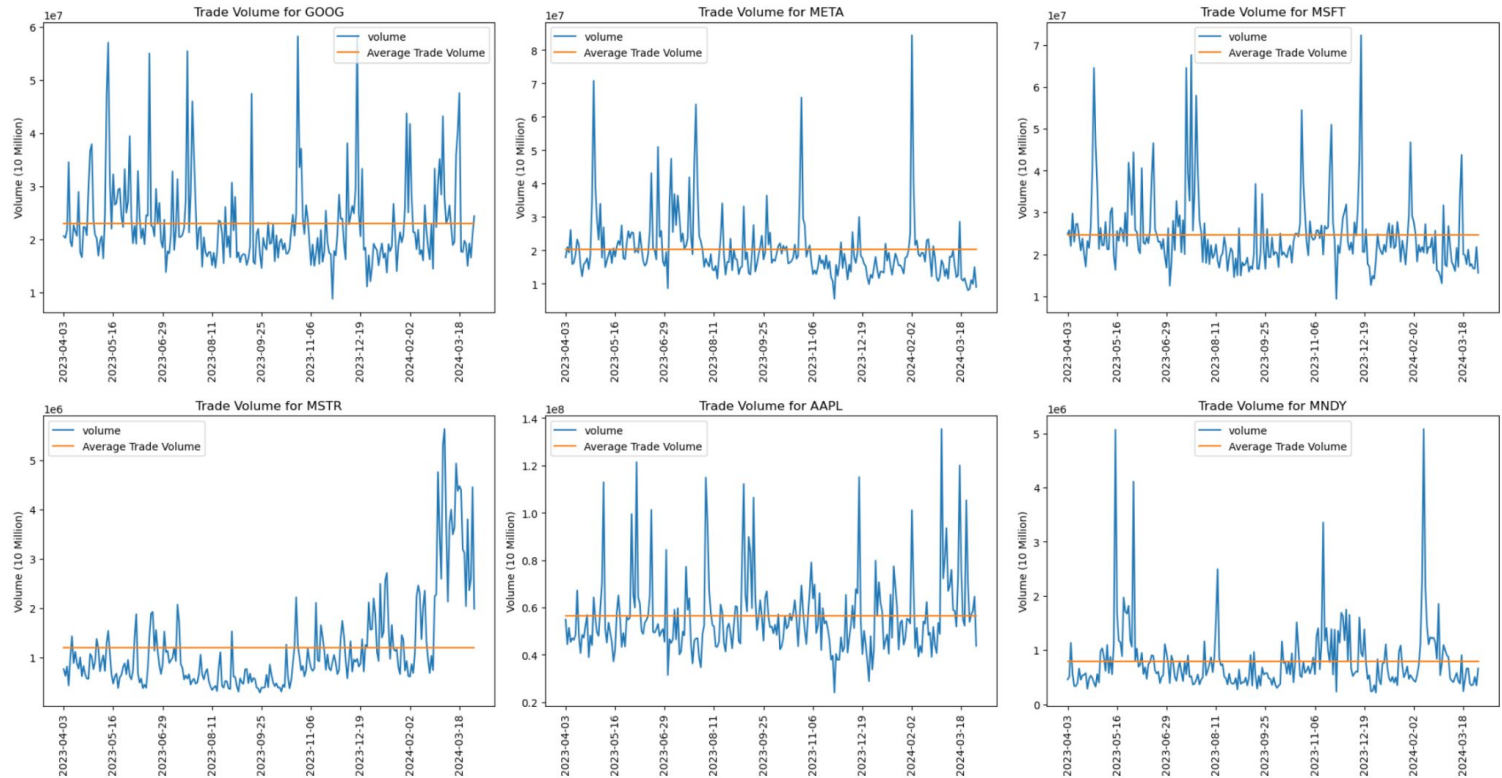


# Volume Analysis

Trading volume measures the number of shares traded during a particular time period.

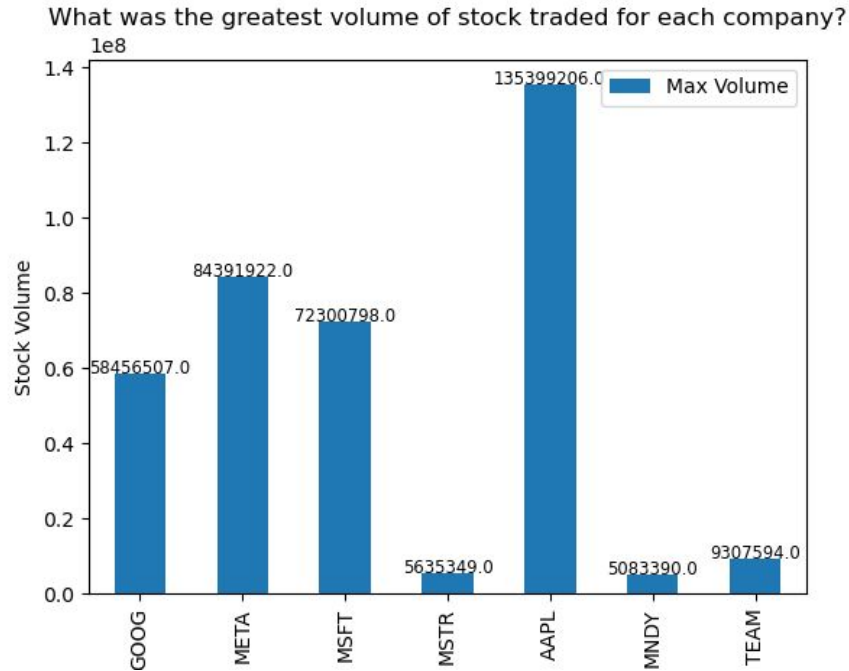
(Source: <https://www.schwab.com/learn/story/trading-volume-as-market-indicator>)

Plotting the Daily traded Volume for each company response is per the below;



**Observation:** Stocks have a unrelated trading pattern, which indicates market sentiment.

Highest amount of traded volume per company is as below;



**Observation:** While MSTR had the max stock price, the volume of traded stock for MSTR is lowest among our group of companies. On the other hand, Apple has the largest volume of stock traded.

## Further analysis of traded volume: distribution of stock volume by creating volume ranges;

[68]: #Better visualising the stock volume

```
#Create bins
bins = [0, 30000000, 60000000, 90000000, 120000000, 150000000]
group_names = ["<30M", "30M - 60M", "60M-90M", "90M - 120M", "120M - 150M"]

#create a copy of the datasets
GOOG_data_copy = GOOG_data
META_data_copy = META_data
MSFT_data_copy = MSFT_data
MSTR_data_copy = MSTR_data
AAPL_data_copy = AAPL_data
MNDY_data_copy = MNDY_data

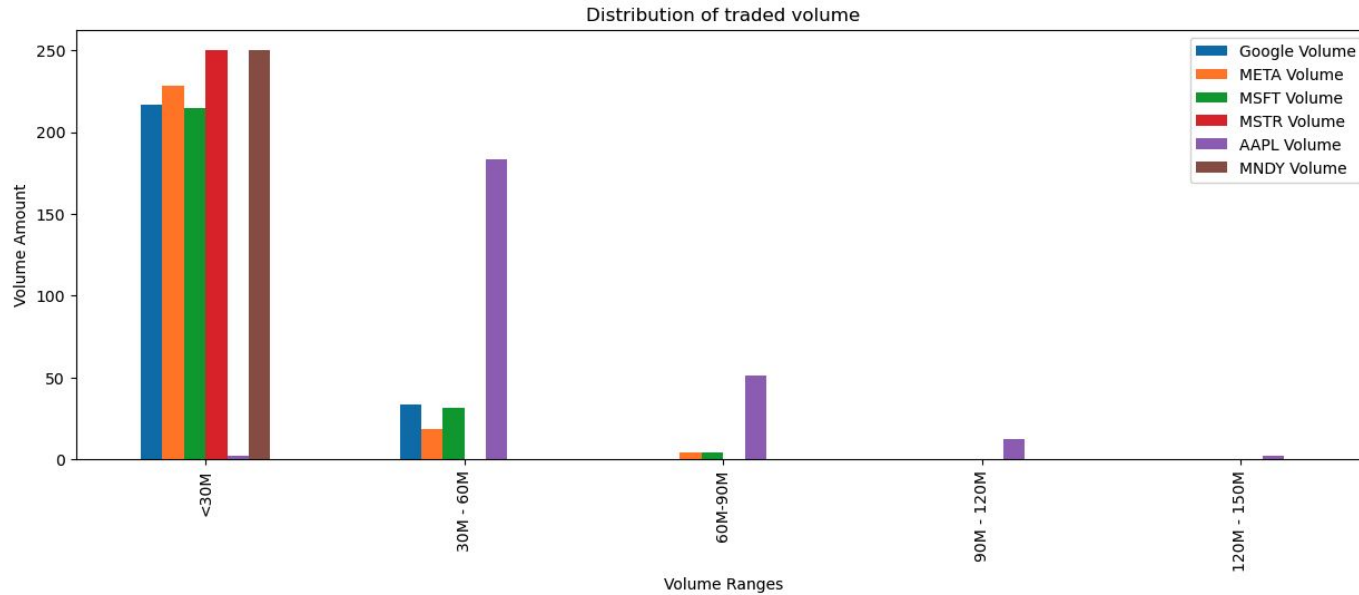
#Append a new column with bins for volume ranges:
GOOG_data_copy["Volume Ranges"] = pd.cut(GOOG_data_copy["volume"], bins, labels = group_names, include_lowest = True)
GOOG_data_copy
```

[68]:

	Unnamed: 0.1	index	Unnamed: 0	None	ticker	date	open	high	low	close	volume	MA for 10 days	MA for 20 days	MA for 50 days	Daily Percent Change	Daily Change	Volume Ranges
0	0	0	0	249	GOOG	2023-04-03	102.670	104.950	102.3800	104.91	20644485.0	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	2.240	<30M
1	1	1	1	248	GOOG	2023-04-04	104.840	106.100	104.6000	105.12	20299970.0	NaN	NaN	NaN	0.002002	0.280	<30M
2	2	2	2	247	GOOG	2023-04-05	106.120	106.540	104.1021	104.95	21796705.0	NaN	NaN	NaN	-0.001617	-1.170	<30M
3	3	3	3	246	GOOG	2023-04-06	105.770	109.630	104.8150	108.90	34565375.0	NaN	NaN	NaN	0.037637	3.130	30M - 60M
4	4	4	4	245	GOOG	2023-04-10	107.390	107.970	105.6000	106.95	19678585.0	NaN	NaN	NaN	-0.017906	-0.440	<30M
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245	245	245	245	4	GOOG	2024-03-25	150.950	151.456	148.8000	151.15	15047965.0	146.464	141.5520	144.4624	-0.004085	0.200	<30M
246	246	246	246	3	GOOG	2024-03-26	151.240	153.200	151.0300	151.70	19275612.0	147.672	142.1320	144.6116	0.003639	0.460	<30M
247	247	247	247	2	GOOG	2024-03-27	152.145	152.690	150.1300	151.94	16593999.0	148.789	142.8575	144.7688	0.001582	-0.205	<30M
248	248	248	248	1	GOOG	2024-03-28	152.000	152.670	151.3300	152.26	21068018.0	149.581	143.4815	144.9562	0.002106	0.260	<30M
249	249	249	249	0	GOOG	2024-04-01	151.830	157.000	151.6500	156.50	24416137.0	151.014	144.4025	145.1864	0.027847	4.670	<30M

250 rows x 17 columns

Visualising the distribution of stock volume volume ranges;



**Observation:** Bulk of the volumes for all companies except Apple reside in the <30M bin, while Apple stock is traded in much greater quantity and lies in 30-60M bin and beyond.

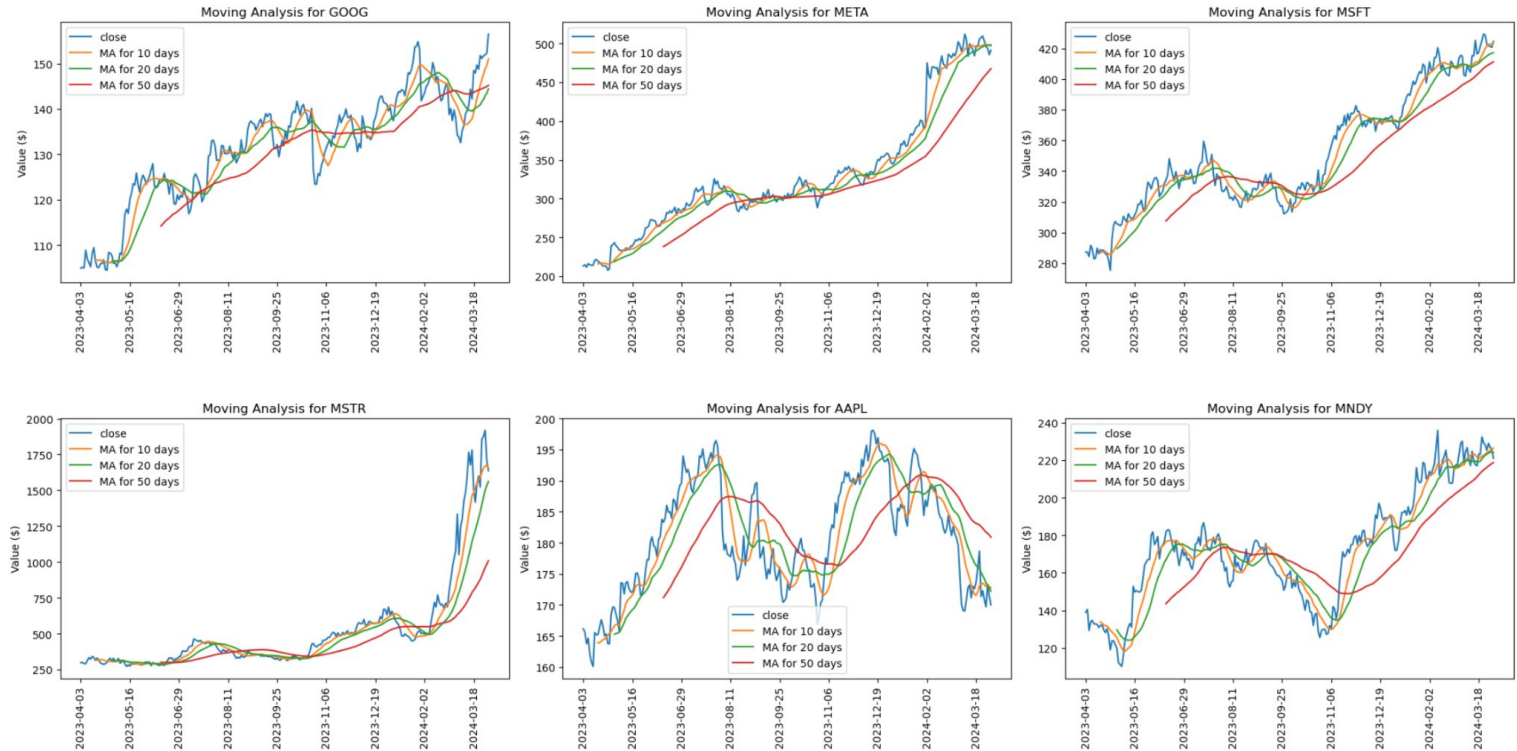


# Moving Average Analysis

The moving average (MA) is a simple technical analysis tool that smooths out price data by creating a constantly updated average price. The average is taken over a specific period of time, like 10 days, 20 minutes, 30 weeks, or any time period the trader chooses

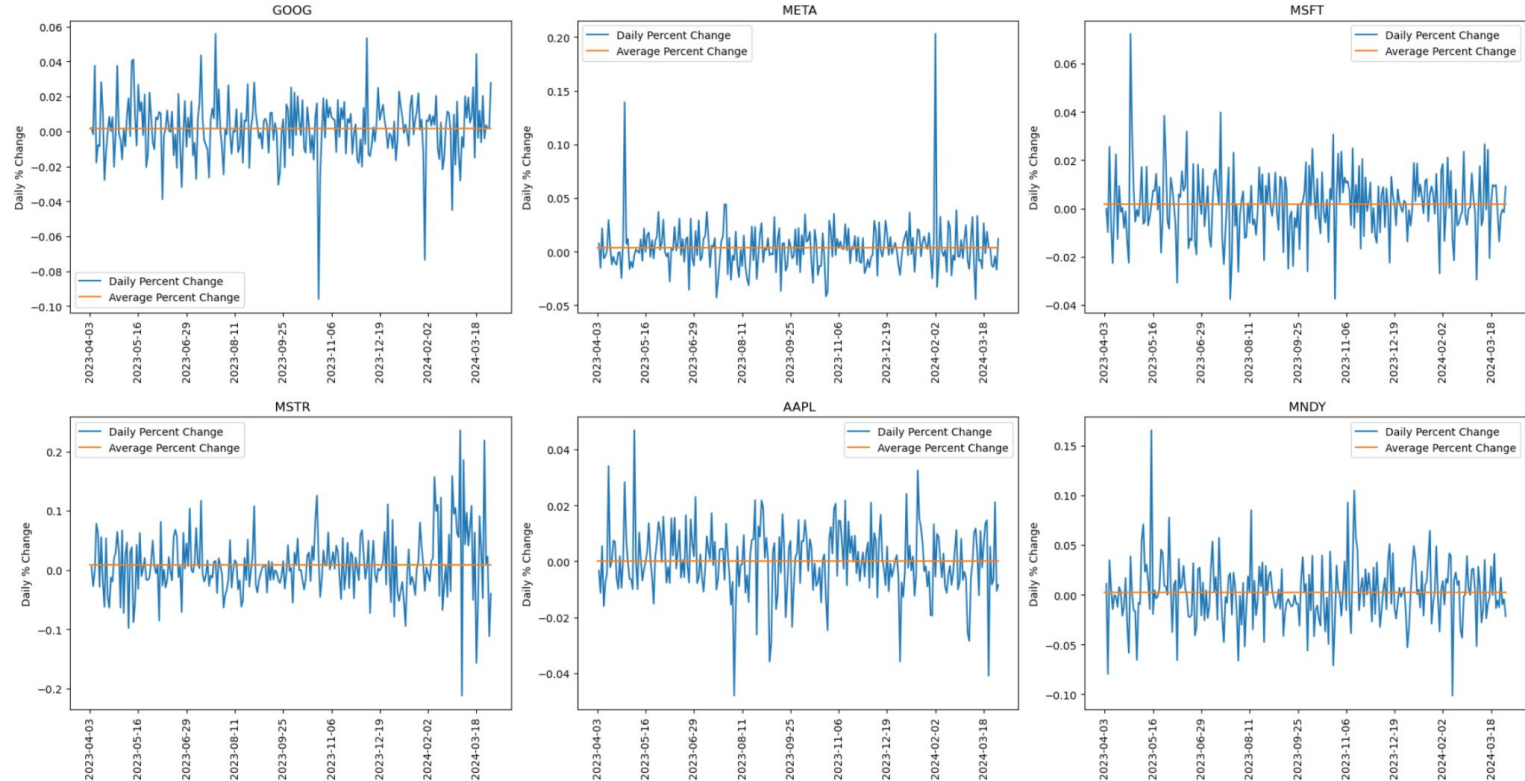
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Plotting the Moving Averages (10, 20 & 50 Day) for each company response is per the below;



**Observation:** The Moving Averages show a delayed trend line, which in general is softer as the number of days increase from 10 through 50.

Plotting the Daily Percentage Change for each company response is per the below;

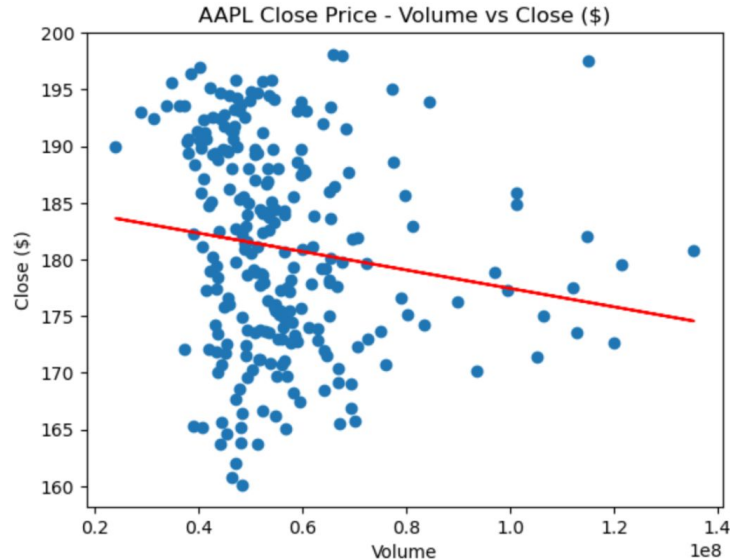


**Observation:** Stocks have a unrelated Daily Change pattern, which indicates market sentiment.



Plotting the recommended stock scatter plot and linear regression line response is per the below;

The r-squared is: 0.022414679875326696  
The correlation between both factors is -0.15  
[<matplotlib.lines.Line2D at 0x2883f29b0>]



**Observation:** With higher stock traded on a day the stock price tends to lower.

# Conclusion



# Conclusion

## Best Performer

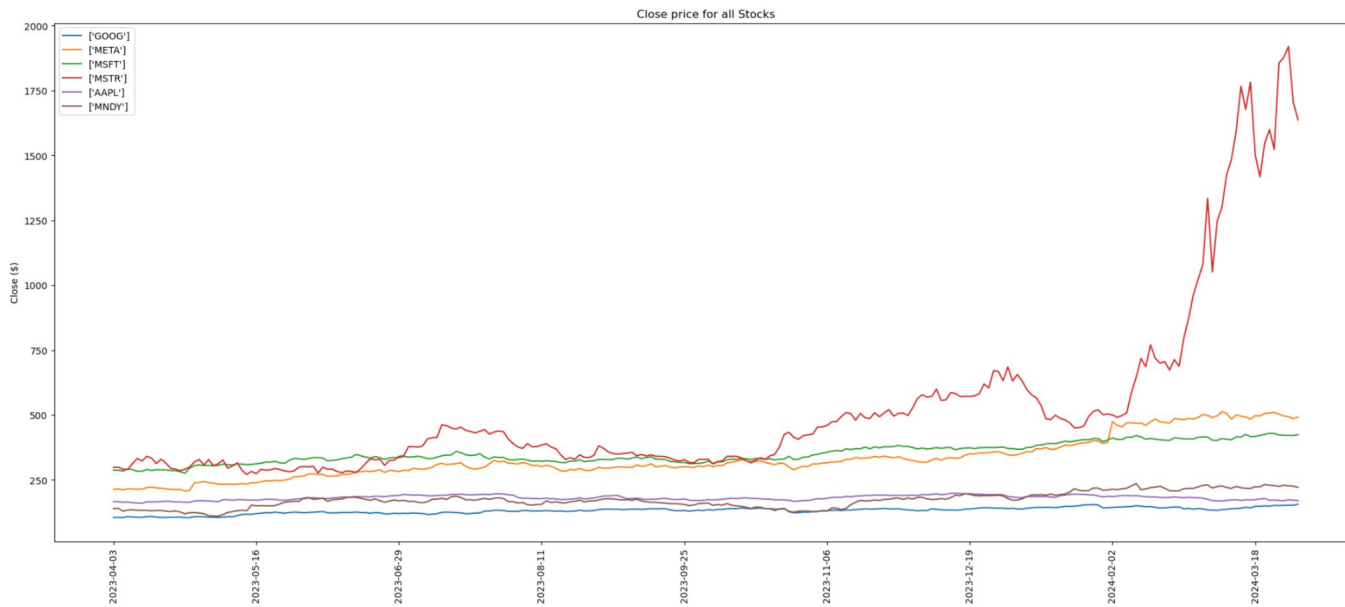
MicroStrategy's exceptional gains, distinct from the general market trends of six other stocks.

## Recommendation Based on Comparative and Individual Stock Performance:

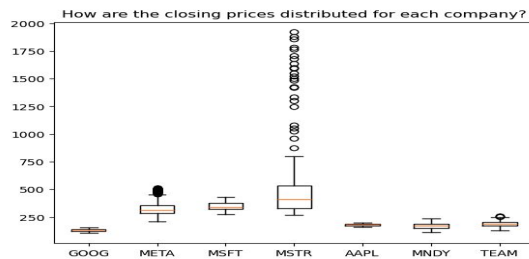
Central to our findings is the identification of one particular stock that stands out as a viable investment option. This stock has not exhibited signs of overvaluation. By comparing the mean performance of the entire basket of stocks against this individual stock's performance, we present a compelling case. The specific percentages, indicating a conservative growth rate in contrast to the industry's high valuation trends, reinforce our recommendation.

## Conclusion:

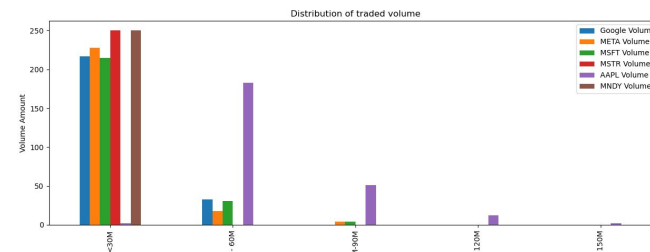
In conclusion, we advocate for investing in **APPLE (AAPL)**, believing it to represent the best balance of value and growth potential for our client.



Time series data showed consistency in Apple's close price over time



Boxplot further reinforced the tight distribution in Apple's close price



High volume of Apple stock traded



## Takeaways / Learnings

1. Using GitHub and branch for code revision management is of benefit, but has its own learning curve.
2. Acquire data from API's can vary in methods from REST to SDK's.
3. NASDAQ has its owns Python SDK `nasdatadatalink`.
4. The Tech sector in general has performed well over the last 12 months.
5. Adding dates and making it visible to plot x-axis can be challenging.
6. Merging all datasets may have been beneficial in retrospect
7. Writing functions for some steps could have saved us time
8. Domain knowledge (or lack thereof) can play a major role in data analysis

# Thank You !

Team 3

