Milestone Project #1 - Stock Ticker Dashboard

The goal of this project is to develop a dashboard that allows users to select one or more stocks, a start and end date, and have the closing stock prices displayed as a time series.

Rather than attempt to code it all at once, we'll break it down into manageable (and testable) benchmarks.

The sequence of files will be:

StockTicker1.py - perform imports, set up a graph with static data, ensure that we can lay everything out on the screen

StockTicker2.py - add an input box and a basic callback to display the input value (the ticker) on the graph.

StockTicker3.py - Ensure that we can read data off the web using pandas datareader

StockTicker4.py - add datepickers to select start and end dates and apply them to the callback

StockTicker5.py - take advantage of Dash State, and hold all API calls until a Submit button is pressed

StockTicker6.py - replace the input box with a multiple dropdown list of choices. Pass multiple stocks as traces on the same graph.
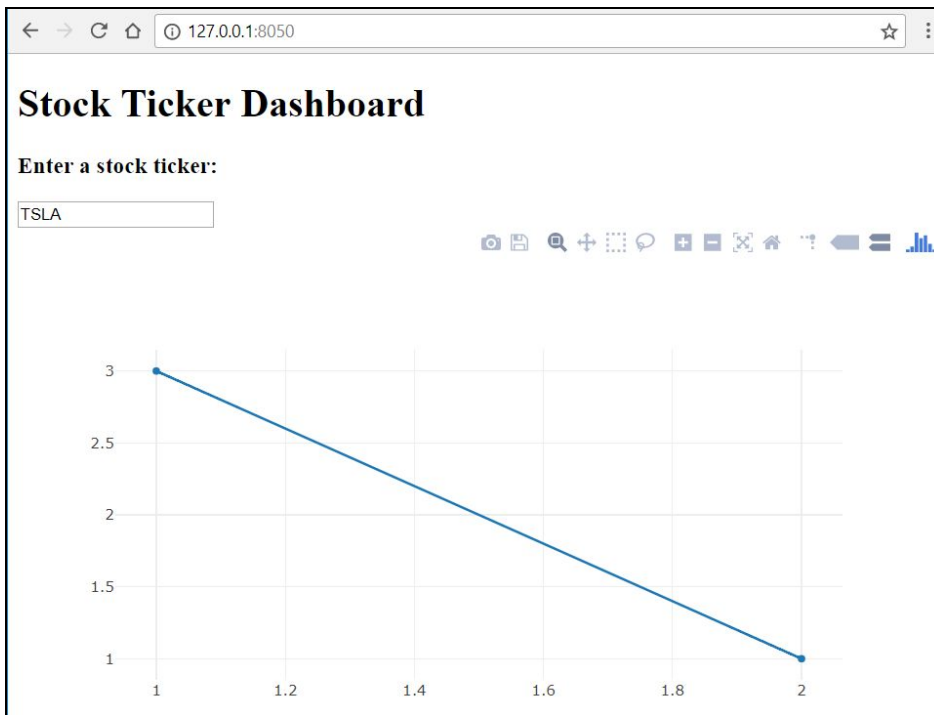
StockTicker1.py

Create a new file, and build a dashboard with a very simple graph. Don't worry about assigning IDs at this time. We'll address callbacks in the next section.

```python
# perform the basic imports
import dash
import dash_core_components as dcc
import dash_html_components as html
# launch the application
app = dash.Dash()
# Create a Div to contain basic headers, an input box, and our graph
app.layout = html.Div([
    html.H1('Stock Ticker Dashboard'),
    html.H3('Enter a stock symbol:'),
    dcc.Input(
        id ='my_ticker_symbol'
         value='TSLA' # sets a default value
    ),
    dcc.Graph(id='my_graph',
        figure={
            'data': [
                {'x': [1,2], 'y': [3,1]}
            ]
        }
    )
])
# Add the server clause
if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run_server()
```

Run the script, open a browser to http://127.0.0.1:8050/ , and you should see this:

Great! We know our layout works. Now it's time to add a callback, and see if we can add some interactivity.

StockTicker2.py

Copy StockTicker1.py and name the new file StockTicker2.py. Here we're only going to add a callback to our dashboard, and have the text entered into the Input box appear as our graph's title.

```python
import dash
import dash_core_components as dcc
import dash_html_components as html
# Add an import for Input/Output
from dash.dependencies import Input, Output


app = dash.Dash()

app.layout = html.Div([
    html.H1('Stock Ticker Dashboard'),
    html.H3('Enter a stock symbol:'),
    dcc.Input(
# Add an ID to the input box
        id='my_ticker_symbol',
        value='TSLA'
    ),
    dcc.Graph(
# Add an ID to the graph
        id='my_graph',
        figure={
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            'data': [
                {'x': [1,2], 'y': [3,1]}
            ],
        }
    )
])
# Add a callback function
@app.callback(
    Output('my_graph', 'figure'),
    [Input('my_ticker_symbol', 'value')])
def update_graph(stock_ticker):
    fig = {
        'data': [
            {'x': [1,2], 'y': [3,1]}
        ],
        'layout': {'title':stock_ticker}
    }
    return fig

if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run_server()
```

What happens here is we return the exact same figure, except that we add a **layout** with a title that automatically updates with the contents of the Input box. Run the script to make sure it works!

StockTicker3.py

Copy StockTicker2.py and name the new file StockTicker3.py. Here we're going to import *pandas_datareader* and try to obtain stock data off the web.
NOTE: APIs are constantly changing. We use IEX in this example, as Google and Yahoo have recently been deprecated.
For the latest information on supported sites, visit https://pandas-datareader.readthedocs.io/en/latest/index.html
In order to use IEX, we also have to pass start and end dates to the API. We'll import the *datetime* module for this.

```
import dash
import dash_core_components as dcc
import dash_html_components as html
from dash.dependencies import Input, Output
# Add an import for pandas_datareader and datetime
import pandas_datareader.data as web
from datetime import datetime

app = dash.Dash()

app.layout = html.Div([
    html.H1('Stock Ticker Dashboard'),
    html.H3('Enter a stock symbol:'),
    dcc.Input(
        id='my_ticker_symbol',
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                value='TSLA'
        ),
        dcc.Graph(
            id='my_graph',
            figure={
                'data': [
                    {'x': [1,2], 'y': [3,1]}
                ]
            }
        )
])
@app.callback(
    Output('my_graph', 'figure'),
    [Input('my_ticker_symbol', 'value')])
def update_graph(stock_ticker):
    # Use datareader and datetime to define a DataFrame
    start = datetime(2017, 1, 1)
    end = datetime(2017, 12, 31)
    df = web.DataReader(stock_ticker,'iex',start,end)
    # Change the output data
    fig = {
        'data': [
            {'x': df.index, 'y': df.close}
        ],
        'layout': {'title':stock_ticker}
    }
    return fig

if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run_server()
```

Run the script, and now you should see a year's worth of stock closing prices!

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NOTE: We can provide other datetime examples here. For instance, to get the last 90 days stock activity:
from datetime import date, timedelta
start = datetime.today()-timedelta(days=90)
end = datetime.today()
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Next, let's add DatePicker components that allow the user to set start and end dates for the stock data. We can either use two **DatePickerSingle** elements, or one **DatePickerRange**. To understand how they work, visit https://dash.plot.ly/dash-core-components/datepickersingle and https://dash.plot.ly/dash-core-components/datepickerrange

StockTicker4.py

Copy StockTicker3.py and name the new file StockTicker4.py. We're adding a DatePickerRange component, and passing its input values to our callback.

```python
import dash
import dash_core_components as dcc
import dash_html_components as html
from dash.dependencies import Input, Output
import pandas_datareader.data as web
from datetime import datetime

app = dash.Dash()

app.layout = html.Div([
    html.H1('Stock Ticker Dashboard'),
    html.Div([
        # add styles to enlarge the input box and make room for DatePickerRange
        html.H3('Enter a stock symbol:', style={'paddingRight':'30px'}),
        dcc.Input(
            id='my_ticker_symbol',
            value='TSLA',
            style={'fontSize':24, 'width':75}
        )
    ], style={'display':'inline-block', 'verticalAlign':'top'}),
    # add a Div to contain the DatePickerRange
    html.Div([
        html.H3('Select start and end dates:'),
        dcc.DatePickerRange(
            id='my_date_picker',
            Min_date_allowed = datetime(2015, 1, 1),
            Max_date_allowed = datetime.today(),
            Start_date = datetime(2018, 1, 1),
            End_date = datetime.today()
        )
    ], style={'display':'inline-block'}),
    dcc.Graph(
        id='my_graph',
        figure={
            'data': [
                {'x': [1,2], 'y': [3,1]}
            ]
        }
    )
])
```

```
@app.callback(
    # add inputs from the DatePickerRange component
    Output('my_graph', 'figure'),
    [Input('my_ticker_symbol', 'value'),
    Input('my_date_picker', 'start_date'),
    Input('my_date_picker', 'end_date')])
def update_graph(stock_ticker, start_date, end_date):
    start = datetime.strptime(start_date[:10], '%Y-%m-%d')
    end = datetime.strptime(end_date[:10], '%Y-%m-%d')
    df = web.DataReader(stock_ticker,'iex',start,end)
    fig = {
        'data': [
            {'x': df.index, 'y': df.close}
        ],
        'layout': {'title':stock_ticker}
    }
    return fig

if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run_server()
```

Remember, even though **dcc.DatePickerRange** can use datetime objects for start and end dates, when we perform a callback, the web page is submitting dates as strings, not as datetime objects. For this we use
`start_date = datetime.`**`strptime`**`(start_date`**`[:10],`** `'%Y-%m-%d')`
The `[:10]` slice is because we only want the YYYY-MM-DD portion of the input string.

Later, if we want to display start_date in a longer text format, we can use
`start_date_string = start_date.`**`strftime`**`('%B %d, %Y')`
For more information on string formatting of datetime objects visit
https://docs.python.org/3/library/datetime.html#strftime-strptime-behavior

NOTE: As much as I'd like to use **date** objects instead of **datetime**, the **strptime** method is only available on datetime objects. Hence the need for slice notation...

Great job! At this point we've constructed a dashboard that opens with default values, polls the web for financial data and displays it in a graph, then gives the user the option of calling a different stock symbol, and setting the starting and ending dates for the graph.

Before we address the challenge of expanding the stock symbol input to allow multiple stocks to appear on the same graph, let's take advantage of Dash State, and add a Submit button.

StockTicker5.py

Copy StockTicker4.py and name the new file StockTicker5.py. You may have noticed in earlier versions that the graph would try to paint as soon as a letter was typed into the input box, and for every letter thereafter. To reduce network traffic, we want to enter all of our stock symbol and date settings first, and *then* submit the API call.
In this section we'll add a Submit button and move all our previous Inputs into Dash State properties.

```python
import dash
import dash_core_components as dcc
import dash_html_components as html
from dash.dependencies import Input, Output, State  # add State to imports
import pandas_datareader.data as web
from datetime import datetime

app = dash.Dash()

app.layout = html.Div([
    html.H1('Stock Ticker Dashboard'),
    html.Div([
        html.H3('Enter a stock symbol:', style={'paddingRight':'30px'}),
        dcc.Input(
            id='my_ticker_symbol',
            value='TSLA', # sets a default value
            style={'fontSize':24, 'width':75}
        )
    ], style={'display':'inline-block', 'verticalAlign':'top'}),
    html.Div([
        html.H3('Select start and end dates:'),
        dcc.DatePickerRange(
            id='my_date_picker',
            min_date_allowed=datetime(2015, 1, 1),
            max_date_allowed=datetime.today(),
            start_date=datetime(2018, 1, 1),
            end_date=datetime.today()
        )
    ], style={'display':'inline-block'}),
    # add a Button element
    html.Div([
        html.Button(
            id='submit-button',
            n_clicks=0,
            children='Submit',
            style={'fontSize':24, 'marginLeft':'30px'}
        ),
    ], style={'display':'inline-block'}),
    dcc.Graph(
        id='my_graph',
        figure={
            'data': [
                {'x': [1,2], 'y': [3,1]}
            ]
        }
    )
])
@app.callback(
    Output('my_graph', 'figure'),
    # add a button input, and move previous inputs to State
    [Input('submit-button', 'n_clicks')],
    [State('my_ticker_symbol', 'value'),
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        State('my_date_picker', 'start_date'),
        State('my_date_picker', 'end_date')])
# pass n_clicks into the output function
def update_graph(n_clicks, stock_ticker, start_date, end_date):
    start = datetime.strptime(start_date[:10], '%Y-%m-%d')
    end = datetime.strptime(end_date[:10], '%Y-%m-%d')
    df = web.DataReader(stock_ticker,'iex',start,end)
    fig = {
        'data': [
            {'x': df.index, 'y': df.close}
        ],
        'layout': {'title':stock_ticker}
    }
    return fig


if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run_server()
```

That's it! Run the script and you should be able to make multiple changes without affecting the graph until Submit is clicked!

StockTicker6.py

Copy StockTicker5.py and name the new file StockTicker6.py. In this next section we want to permit multiple stock selections, and have them all display on the same graph.

You have a lot options for this. You can restrict users to a small set of radio buttons. You can set up several input boxes. You can use a Dropdown that permits multiple selections.

We chose to use a Dropdown list only because what's displayed in the list can be different than the value passed to Input (at this time we can't do that with Input boxes). This lets us select "AAPL Apple Computer" and have just "AAPL" pass behind the scenes.

We obtained a csv file of NASDAQ listed companies with stock symbols. We whittled the 3299 records down to 256 companies with relatively high market capitalization as of 4/6/18.
Data source: http://www.nasdaq.com/screening/companies-by-industry.aspx?exchange=NYSE&render=download

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StockTicker6a.py offers a Multi-Value Dropdown with 3 hardwired options, where only the first value is considered for the API call.

StockTicker6b.py creates a trace from each ticker symbol by building dataframes and putting relevant information into each trace. It successfully charts multiple traces.

```python
import dash
import dash_core_components as dcc
import dash_html_components as html
from dash.dependencies import Input, Output, State
import pandas_datareader.data as web
from datetime import datetime
# import pandas
import pandas as pd


app = dash.Dash()
# read a .csv file, make a dataframe, and build a list of Dropdown options
nsdq = pd.read_csv('../data/NASDAQcompanylist.csv')
nsdq.set_index('Symbol', inplace=True)
options = []
for tic in nsdq.index:
    options.append({'label':'{} {}'.format(tic,nsdq.loc[tic]['Name']), 'value':tic})

app.layout = html.Div([
    html.H1('Stock Ticker Dashboard'),
    html.Div([
        html.H3('Select stock symbols:', style={'paddingRight':'30px'}),
        # replace dcc.Input with dcc.Options, set options=options
        dcc.Dropdown(
            id='my_ticker_symbol',
            options=options,
            value=['TSLA'],
            multi=True
        )
    # widen the Div to fit multiple inputs
    ], style={'display':'inline-block', 'verticalAlign':'top', 'width':'30%'}),
    html.Div([
        html.H3('Select start and end dates:'),
        dcc.DatePickerRange(
            id='my_date_picker',
            min_date_allowed=datetime(2015, 1, 1),
            max_date_allowed=datetime.today(),
            start_date=datetime(2018, 1, 1),
            end_date=datetime.today()
        )
    ], style={'display':'inline-block'}),
    html.Div([
        html.Button(
            id='submit-button',
            n_clicks=0,
            children='Submit',
            style={'fontSize':24, 'marginLeft':'30px'}
        ),
    ], style={'display':'inline-block'}),
    dcc.Graph(
        id='my_graph',
        figure={
```

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            'data': [
                {'x': [1,2], 'y': [3,1]}
            ]
        }
    )
])
@app.callback(
    Output('my_graph', 'figure'),
    [Input('submit-button', 'n_clicks')],
    [State('my_ticker_symbol', 'value'),
    State('my_date_picker', 'start_date'),
    State('my_date_picker', 'end_date')])
def update_graph(n_clicks, stock_ticker, start_date, end_date):
    start = datetime.strptime(start_date[:10], '%Y-%m-%d')
    end = datetime.strptime(end_date[:10], '%Y-%m-%d')
    # since stock_ticker is now a list of symbols, create a list of traces
    traces = []
    for tic in stock_ticker:
        df = web.DataReader(tic,'iex',start,end)
        traces.append({'x':df.index, 'y': df.close, 'name':tic})
    fig = {
        # set data equal to traces
        'data': traces,
        # use string formatting to include all symbols in the chart title
        'layout': {'title':', '.join(stock_ticker)+' Closing Prices'}
    }
    return fig


if __name__ == '__main__':
    app.run_server()
```

Run the script, and you'll notice that the Dropdown has TSLA preselected. To the right of it, if you place your cursor inside the box you can see the list of all 256 companies. Even better, if you start to type letters in the box, only those entries that match appear. Type "**go**" to see this happen.

We're done! We have a stock closing price dashboard that accepts multiple selections, a range of dates, makes use of Dash State, and does it all in less than 100 lines of code. The end result should look something like this:

Feel free to customize your dashboard by changing the layout and adding more style