

# Python Notebook to source daily stock market data (Open, High, Low, Close and Volume) for each stock in S&P 500 Index ¶

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## Introduction

In this python notebook I have pulled daily end of day market data from yahoo finance using yfinance API

## Process

### Get list of Stocks

1. I created separate python script to pull list of all 500 stocks in S&P500 Index. Link to notebook: [Github link \(https://github.com/gargankush/SP500\\_Stock\\_List\)](https://github.com/gargankush/SP500_Stock_List), [Medium link \(https://medium.com/ai4markets/python-got-financial-markets-simple-script-to-pull-list-of-s-p-500-companies-and-save-in-csv-file-560b1e00a3b6\)](https://medium.com/ai4markets/python-got-financial-markets-simple-script-to-pull-list-of-s-p-500-companies-and-save-in-csv-file-560b1e00a3b6), [LinkedIn Post \(https://www.linkedin.com/posts/ankushgarg19\\_python-script-to-get-sp500-stock-list-activity-6737710471052374016-RCD-\)](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/ankushgarg19_python-script-to-get-sp500-stock-list-activity-6737710471052374016-RCD-)
2. List of S&P500 stocks are saved as csv file by name: 'S&P500Tickers.csv'
3. Kindly note that the file location of this python script and S&P500 stock list should be same

### Data Pull

1. This notebook pulls daily closing price of each stock starting from the day of its listing on the Exchange
2. Daily run of this file will append data to existing csv file and update it to have latest data. Thus, to avoid unnecessary data loading and processing full data is downloaded only once when you first time run the script. Post that every run will append data to existing file.

## Data Source

1. Data is sourced from Yahoo Finance using yfinance API: <https://pypi.org/project/yfinance/> (<https://pypi.org/project/yfinance/>)
2. This API is free and there is no limitation on number of requests or number of scripts for which data can be pulled daily
3. Most of the other API offering FREE solutions for market data pull has limitation either on number of requests or number for scripts for which data can be pulled daily
4. API provides option to pull adjusted prices (i.e. adjustment post dividend, splits, etc) or non-adjusted prices. We will pull adjusted prices. Please read API docs for more details.

## Step 1: Import the required libraries

We will be using yfinance API to pull data from Yahoo Finance. To install and get API details visit: [yfinance](https://pypi.org/project/yfinance/) (<https://pypi.org/project/yfinance/>).

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In [ ]: import yfinance as yf
import pandas as pd
import csv
import datetime as dt
from datetime import datetime # To get the current date and time
from datetime import date, timedelta
import csv
import time
import os # To check if the file exists
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## Step 2: Load tickers for S&P 500 stocks from csv file

1. I have created separate python script (S&P500Tickers.ipynb) to get S&P 500 stocks and store that in file name is 'S&P500Tickers.csv'
2. I created separate python script to pull list of all 500 stocks in S&P500 Index. Link to notebook: [Github link](https://github.com/gargankush/SP500_Stock_List) ([https://github.com/gargankush/SP500\\_Stock\\_List](https://github.com/gargankush/SP500_Stock_List)), [Medium link](https://medium.com/ai4markets/python-got-financial-markets-simple-script-to-pull-list-of-s-p-500-companies-and-save-in-csv-file-560b1e00a3b6) (<https://medium.com/ai4markets/python-got-financial-markets-simple-script-to-pull-list-of-s-p-500-companies-and-save-in-csv-file-560b1e00a3b6>), [LinkedIn Post](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/ankushgarg19_python-script-to-get-sp500-stock-list-activity-6737710471052374016-RCD-) ([https://www.linkedin.com/posts/ankushgarg19\\_python-script-to-get-sp500-stock-list-activity-6737710471052374016-RCD-](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/ankushgarg19_python-script-to-get-sp500-stock-list-activity-6737710471052374016-RCD-))
3. Ensure that file 'S&P500Tickers.csv' is in same folder as this python notebook. You can download file 'S&P500Tickers.csv' from gihub as well [link](https://github.com/gargankush/SP500_Stock_List) ([https://github.com/gargankush/SP500\\_Stock\\_List](https://github.com/gargankush/SP500_Stock_List))

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In [ ]: ticker_data = pd.read_csv("S&P500Tickers.csv") # Open csv file and read data i
n pandas dataframe
tickers_list = ticker_data['Symbol'].tolist() # Get all the tickers in a list
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## Step 3: Create a function that pull data for yfinance api for each ticker

To Pull daily Open High Low Close (OHLC) and Volume of a each stock, in the S&P500 list, on a given date, script needs start and end date else data for max period will be pulled. Max period for a stock is date from which it was listed to current date Start date and end date has to be in format YYYY-MM-DD

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In [ ]: def get_OHLC_data(tickers, start_date = None, end_date = None):
    """
    This function gets daily OHLC data from Yahoo Finance API for the provided
    number of days.
    In case days is not provided then data is pulled for maximum number of day
    s

    Input Parameters:
    tickers: List of tickers for which data needs to be extracted
    Start Date: Date from which data needs to be pulled
    End Date: Date until which data needs to be pulled
    If start and end date is null then data for maximum number of days is pull
    ed

    Returns: Dataframe of the extracted data
    """
    final_OHLC_df = pd.DataFrame() # Declare the final empty dataframe
    for ticker in tickers: # For each stock symbol in the list of symbols
        OHLC_data = pd.DataFrame() # Declare intermediate data frame

        yf_ticker_obj = yf.Ticker(ticker) # Initiate object to get the data fr
        om API

        # If start date and end date is provided then pull data for those days
        if(start_date != None and end_date != None):
            OHLC_data = yf_ticker_obj.history(start = start_date, end = end_da
            te, interval = "1d", auto_adjust = True)

        else: # Pull data for all the available days
            OHLC_data = yf_ticker_obj.history(period="max", interval = "1d", a
            uto_adjust = True)
            # Note: In the above period = 'max' as we are pulling data for maximum
            number of days.
            # interval = '1d' as per pulling daily data for Open, High, Low, Close
            and Volume
            # auto_adjust = 'True' as we are adjusting data for Dividends and Spli
            ts

        OHLC_data.insert(0, 'Symbol', ticker) # Adding this data to dataframe
        # Delete split and dividend columns as this is not required.

        OHLC_data = OHLC_data.drop(['Dividends', 'Stock Splits'], axis=1, error
        s='ignore')

        # Appending this data to final dataframe
        final_OHLC_df = final_OHLC_df.append(OHLC_data)
        time.sleep(.5)

    final_OHLC_df.reset_index(inplace=True) # Re-setting the index

    # Setting index to symbol and date
    final_OHLC_df.set_index(["Date", "Symbol"], inplace=True)
    return final_OHLC_df

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## Step 4: Get the last date and dataframe from the existing OHLC csv file

1. This function will open existing csv file. It will pull the date till which OHLC is already pulled for all the stocks and will also load data in the pandas dataframe.
2. This function returns last date for which data is present in the file and pandas dataframe
3. The reason why this function is created is to identify the date till which data is already loaded. So that we pull data only for the days it is not present in the file.

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In [ ]: def get_last_date_data(file):
        """
        This function open existing OHLC file, put that in pandas dataframe and extract the last date from the file
        Input Parameters: Name of the existing csv file that needs to be read in dataframe
        Returns: Last date and pandas dataframe containing the data in the file
        """
        old_data_df = pd.read_csv(file) # Read the csv file in a dataframe

        # Convert Date column to datetime
        old_data_df['Date'] = pd.to_datetime(old_data_df['Date'])

        # Get the maximum date which is the last date for which data is present
        previous_date = max(old_data_df['Date'])

        # Converting datetime to only date format as for daily OHLC data we don't need time
        old_data_df['Date'] = old_data_df['Date'].dt.date

        # Set dataframe index to Date and Symbol
        old_data_df.set_index(["Date", "Symbol"], inplace=True)
        return previous_date, old_data_df
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## The main function to run all the sub functions

1. This function will check if the OHLC csv file existing the root folder from where this script is ran
2. If file is present then the latest date for which data is present will be pulled
3. If file is not present script will be considered as first run and entire data will be pulled by API
4. This is done to check if we are running this script for the first time or we have ran it before
5. In case script is ran for the first time then entire data will be pulled
6. In case script has ran before then data from the last business date in the file to current business date will be pulled
7. Final data will be written to csv file

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In [ ]: if __name__ == "__main__":

    # tickers_list = ['AAPL', 'MSFT'] # Created for testing. Test the script o
n 2 symbols instead of 500
    # Get the next date in YYYY-MM-DD format.
    # Yfinance API gives data from last day if today's date is entered as star
t date
    today = pd.Timestamp.now().normalize() # Today's date
    next_day = today + timedelta(days=1) # Adding 1 to get next date

    # Name of the output file
    OHLC_data_file = "OHLC_yfinance_data.csv"

    # Check if the OHLC csv file existing the root folder from where this scri
pt is ran
    if os.path.isfile(OHLC_data_file):

        # Get the latest date in the datafile and load data in pandas datafram
e
        previous_day, old_data_df = get_last_date_data(OHLC_data_file)

        # Get the data from latest date in the old file to today's date
        latest_data = get_OHLC_data(tickers_list, previous_day, next_day)

        # Append new data with old data
        final_df = old_data_df.append(latest_data)

        # Reset index and remove duplicates
        final_df.reset_index(inplace=True)
        # Drop duplicates that has same symbol and date
        final_df = final_df.drop_duplicates(subset=['Date', 'Symbol'], keep='f
irst')

        # Set index to symbol and date
        final_df.set_index(["Date", "Symbol"], inplace=True)

    else: # This is done in case we are running script for the first time or d
ata file does not exist
        latest_data = get_OHLC_data(tickers_list) # Get the data for max avail
able time
        final_df = latest_data

    if ('Adj Close' in final_df.columns): # Drop adjusted close column if exis
ts
        final_df.drop('Adj Close', axis=1, inplace=True)

    # Writing the data to the output csv file
    final_df.to_csv(OHLC_data_file, mode='w', index=True) #index is True as we
want it to be written in file

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