

Load R Packages

```
install.packages(c("dplyr", "dtplyr", "data.table", "lubridate",
"ggplot2", "PerformanceAnalytics", "xts"))
```

The downloaded binary packages are in
/var/folders/by/g895171128j9y19qqn66xcxh0000gn/T//RtmpHEdE2f downloaded_packages

```
library(dplyr)
library(dtplyr)
library(data.table)
library(lubridate)
library(ggplot2)
library(PerformanceAnalytics)
library(xts)

options(repr.plot.width = 10, repr.plot.height = 5) # For Jupyter notebooks
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```
df <- fread("/Users/ivanhung/Documents/GitHub/final-r-assignment/dataset.csv")
```

Cleaning dataset

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# Setting datadate to a date object
df %>% mutate(datadate = as.Date(datadate, format = "%m/%d/%Y")) -> df

# Remove irrelevant columns and other stocks except for Pfizer (PFE)
pfe <- df[tic == "PFE",
          .(datadate, cshtrd, prccd, prchd, prcld, prcod)]
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head(pfe)

# Plot time series of PFE's closing prices
ggplot(data = pfe, aes(x = datadate, y = prccd)) +
  geom_line() +
  labs(title = "Pfizer (PFE) Closing Stock Prices Over Time",
       x = "Date",
       y = "Closing Price (USD)") +
  theme_minimal()

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A data.table: 6 × 6

| datadate | cshtrd <dbl> | prccd <dbl> | prchd <dbl> | prcld <dbl> | prcod <dbl> |
|------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <date> | | | | | |
| 2010-01-04 | 52074710 | 18.93 | 18.94 | 18.235 | 18.27 |
| 2010-01-05 | 43368460 | 18.66 | 18.93 | 18.550 | 18.92 |
| 2010-01-06 | 41405070 | 18.60 | 18.81 | 18.510 | 18.66 |
| 2010-01-07 | 39427720 | 18.53 | 18.67 | 18.460 | 18.64 |
| 2010-01-08 | 30403370 | 18.68 | 18.71 | 18.520 | 18.62 |
| 2010-01-11 | 32442710 | 18.83 | 18.95 | 18.670 | 18.83 |



Next, calculate simple returns so that we can make our prices stationary and allow us to have a better understanding our data as we can proceed to plot Pfizer's ACF and PACF plots and confirm for certain statistical characteristics.

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# Calculating simple returns (simple returns in %),
# which we will denote as s_ret (s_ret_per)

pfe <- pfe %>%
  mutate(ret = round(((prccd/lag(prccd))-1), 4)) %>%
  mutate(s_ret = round(((prccd/lag(prccd))-1)*100, 4))

head(pfe)

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A data.table: 6 × 8

| date | cshtrd | prccd | prchd | prcld | prcod | ret | s_ret |
|------------|----------|-------|-------|--------|-------|---------|---------|
| <date> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> |
| 2010-01-04 | 52074710 | 18.93 | 18.94 | 18.235 | 18.27 | NA | NA |
| 2010-01-05 | 43368460 | 18.66 | 18.93 | 18.550 | 18.92 | -0.0143 | -1.4263 |
| 2010-01-06 | 41405070 | 18.60 | 18.81 | 18.510 | 18.66 | -0.0032 | -0.3215 |
| 2010-01-07 | 39427720 | 18.53 | 18.67 | 18.460 | 18.64 | -0.0038 | -0.3763 |
| 2010-01-08 | 30403370 | 18.68 | 18.71 | 18.520 | 18.62 | 0.0081 | 0.8095 |
| 2010-01-11 | 32442710 | 18.83 | 18.95 | 18.670 | 18.83 | 0.0080 | 0.8030 |

Next, we should plot the autocorrelation and partial-autocorrelation functions of our closing prices to identify if there are any seasonal structures or autocorrelation that we might need to deal with.

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# ACF plot to identify any autocorrelation or seasonality patterns in our data
#| warning: false
#| results: hide
acf(pfe$ret, lags = 20,
  na.action = na.omit,
  main = "ACF of Daily Returns (Pfizer)",
  ylim = c(-0.1,0.1))

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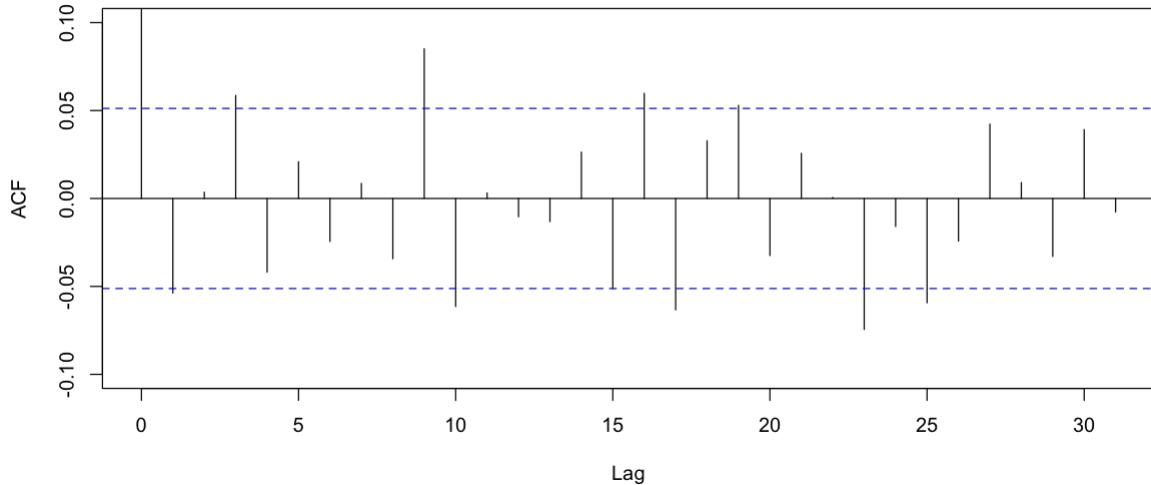
Warning message in plot.window(...):
 " "lags" is not a graphical parameter"

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Warning message in plot.xy(xy, type, ...):
  " "lags" is not a graphical parameter"
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ACF of Daily Returns (Pfizer)



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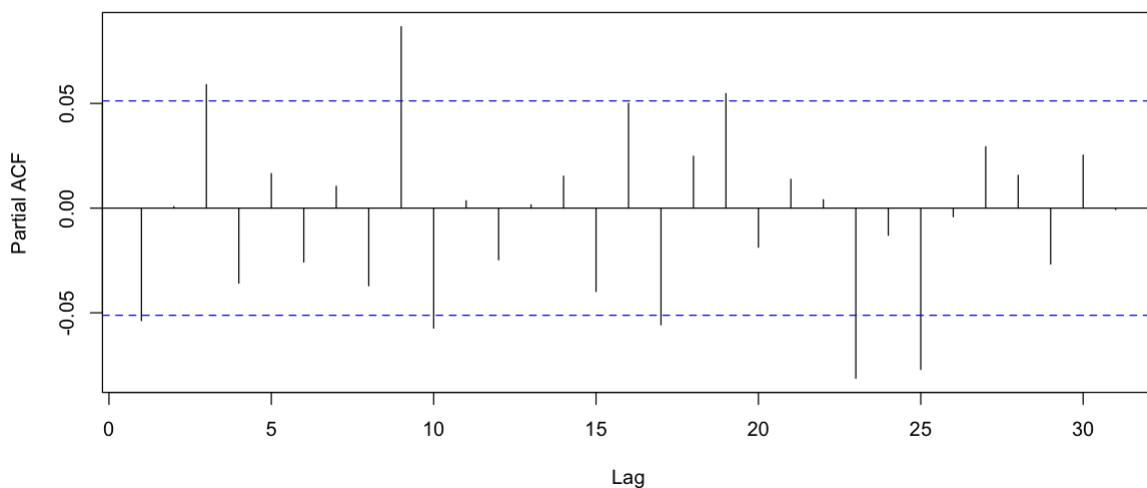
# PACF plot
#| warning: false
#| results: hide

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pacf(pfe$ret, lags = 20,
      na.action = na.omit,
      main = "PACF of Daily Returns (Pfizer)")
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" "lags" is not a graphical parameter"
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PACF of Daily Returns (Pfizer)



We can focus in on a specific time horizon and see if autocorrelation exists within a certain timeframe. This evidence can help us to determine whether there is statistical arbitrage in which our trading strategy can detect a pattern can profit from (potentially short term momentum), as opposed to having white noise (returns which follow a strong form of the EMH where all information about the stock is reflected in its prices). We decide to focus on a relatively long horizon as it can provide us more information of how the stock's price changed before, during, and after COVID; providing us with a holistic story and finding opportunities for statistical arbitrage in the '3' phases of COVID.

```
# Create a list of periods we want to look at
periods <- list(
  weekly = "week",
  monthly = "month",
  semi_annually = "6 months",
  annually = "year"
)

# Loop through each time period
for (period_name in names(periods)) {
  cat("Processing:", toupper(period_name), "\n")

  # Create proper period returns (one observation per period)
  pfe_period <- pfe %>%
    mutate(period = floor_date(datadate, periods[[period_name]])) %>%
    group_by(period) %>%
    arrange(datadate) %>%
    slice_tail(n = 1) %>%
    ungroup() %>%
    arrange(datadate) %>%
    mutate(period_ret = (prccd / lag(prccd)) - 1) %>%
    filter(!is.na(period_ret))

  # View tibble (dataframe) using the following:
  # print(head(pfe_period))
  # cat("Number of periods:", nrow(pfe_period), "\n\n")

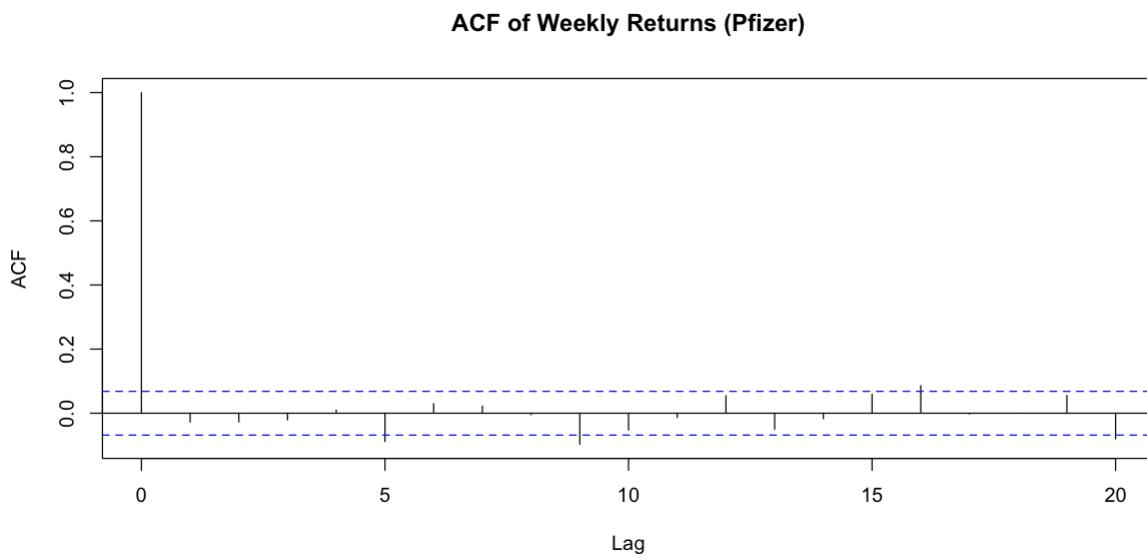
  # ACF of actual period returns (suppress warnings)
  suppressWarnings(
    acf(pfe_period$period_ret, lag.max = 20,
        na.action = na.omit,
        main = paste("ACF of",
                    tools::toTitleCase(gsub("_", " ", period_name)),
                    "Returns (Pfizer)"))
  )
}
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)
# PACF of actual period returns (suppress warnings)
suppressWarnings(
  pacf(pfe_period$period_ret, lag.max = 20,
        na.action = na.omit,
        main = paste("PACF of",
        tools:::toTitleCase(gsub("_", " ", period_name)),
        "Returns (Pfizer)"))
)
}

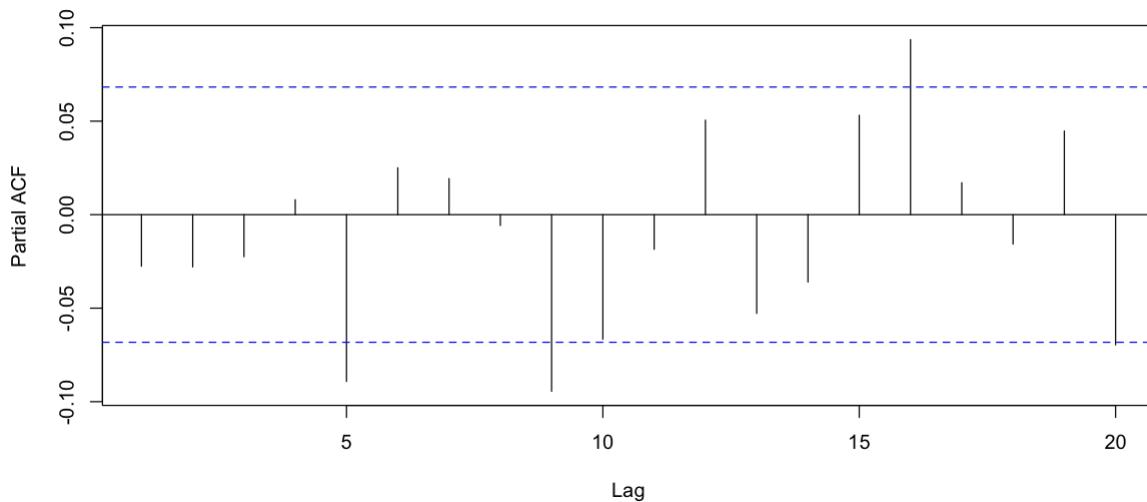
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Processing: WEEKLY

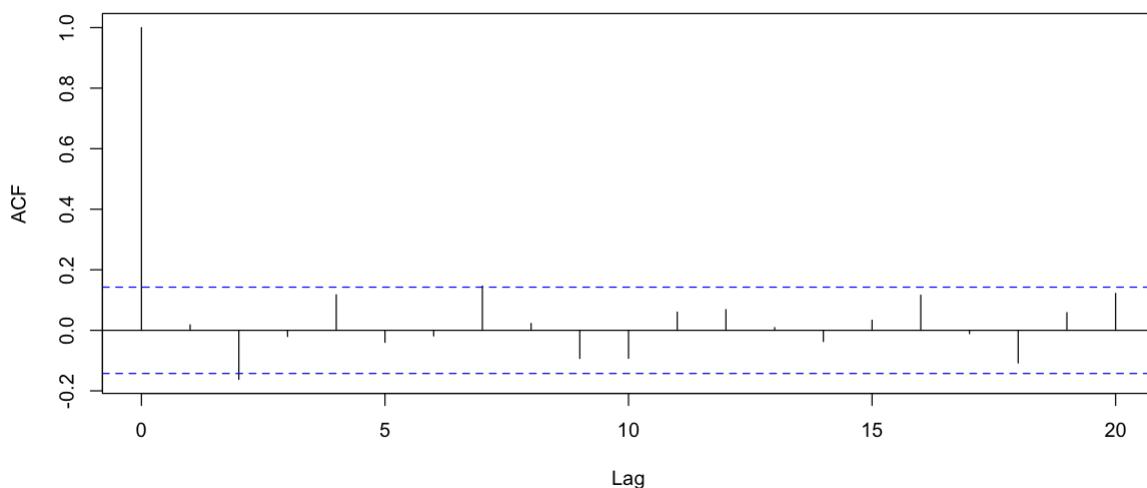


Processing: MONTHLY

PACF of Weekly Returns (Pfizer)

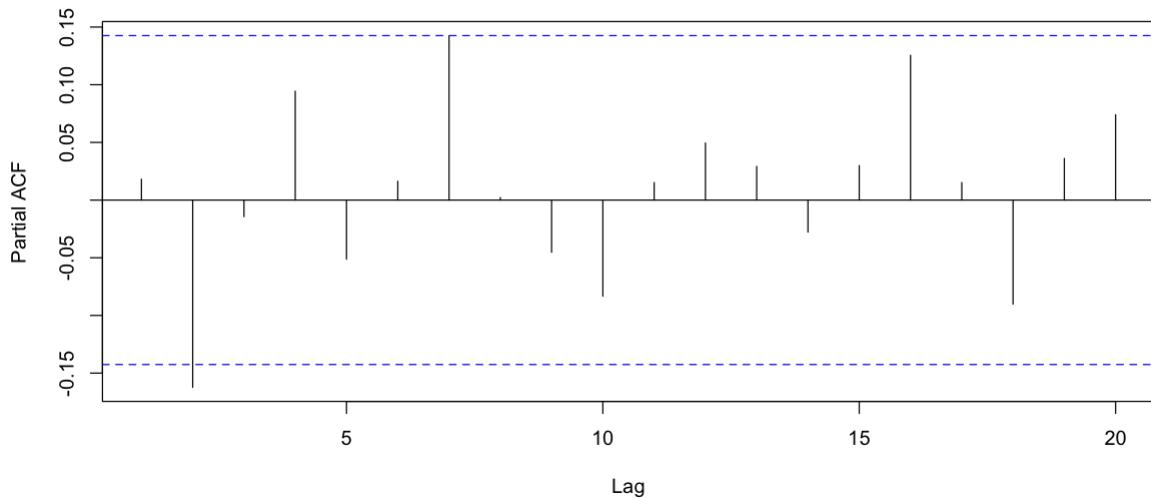


ACF of Monthly Returns (Pfizer)

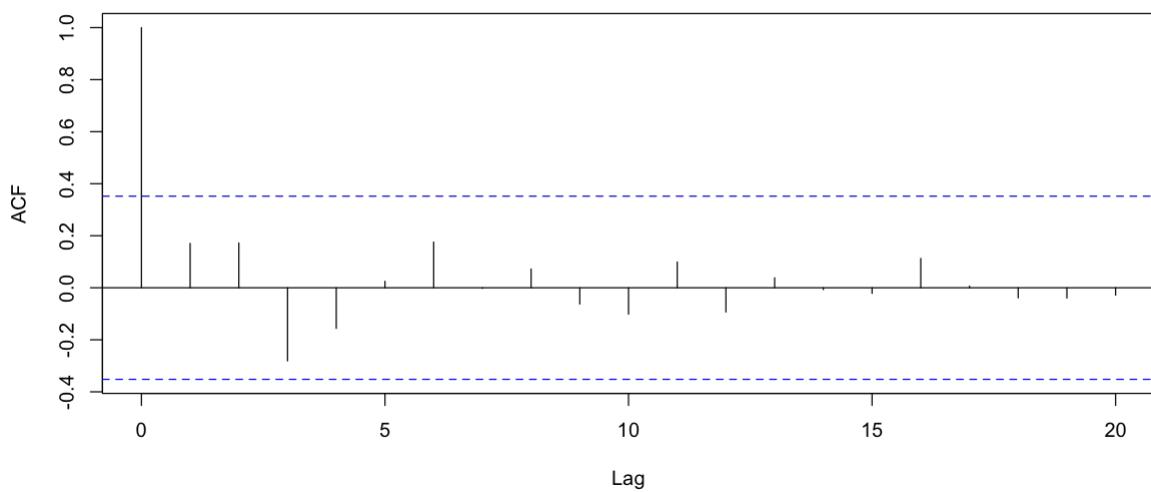


Processing: SEMI_ANNUALLY

PACF of Monthly Returns (Pfizer)

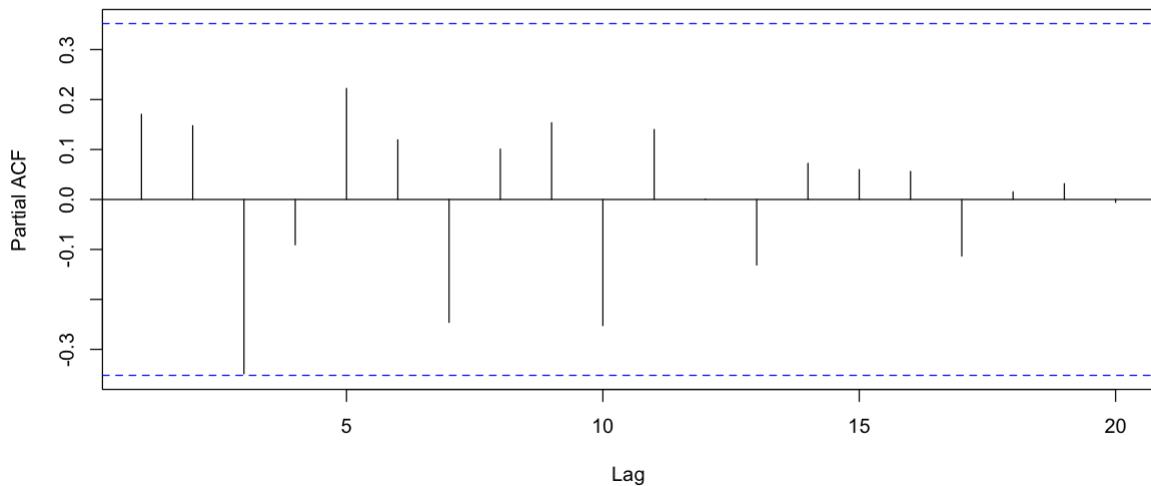


ACF of Semi Annually Returns (Pfizer)

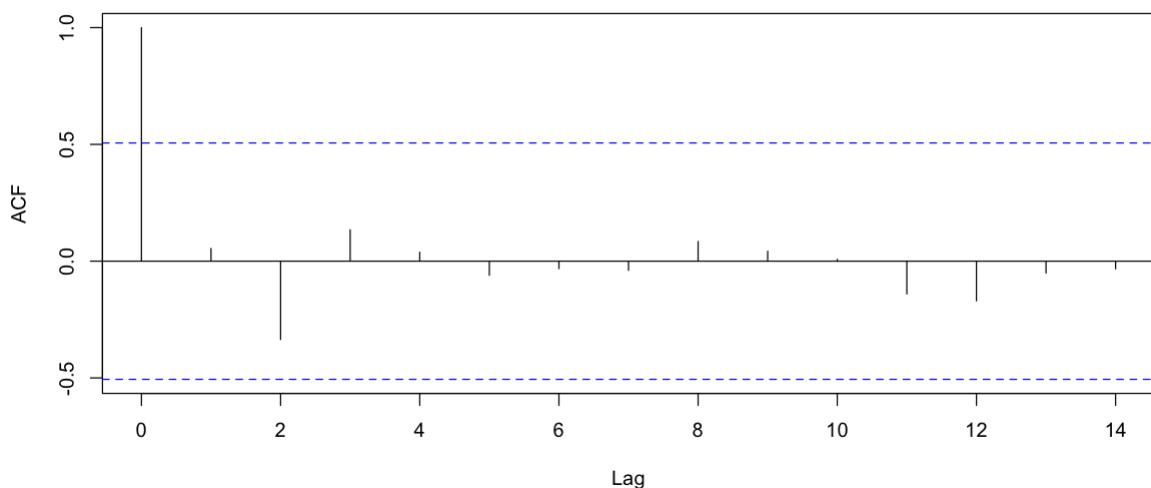


Processing: ANNUALLY

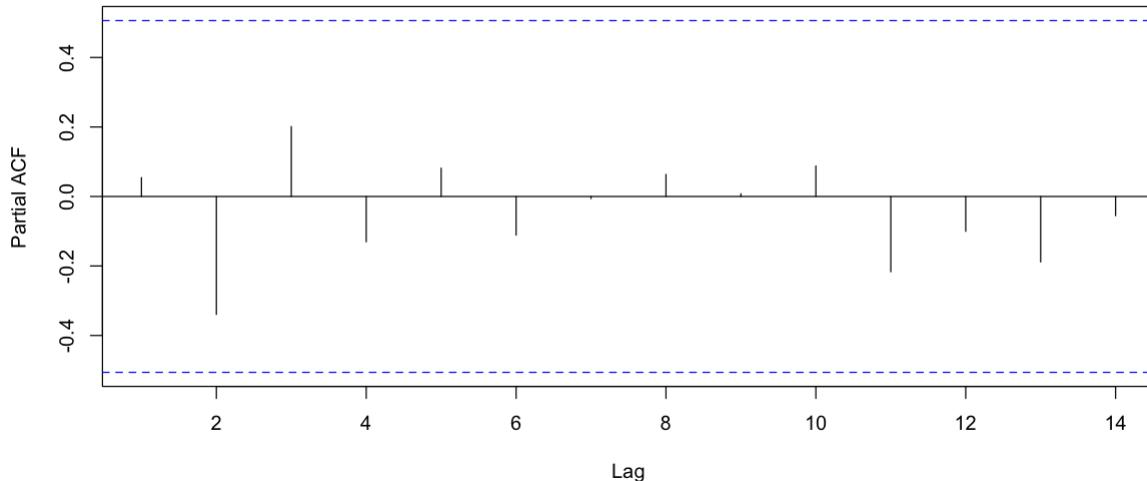
PACF of Semi Annually Returns (Pfizer)



ACF of Annually Returns (Pfizer)



PACF of Annually Returns (Pfizer)



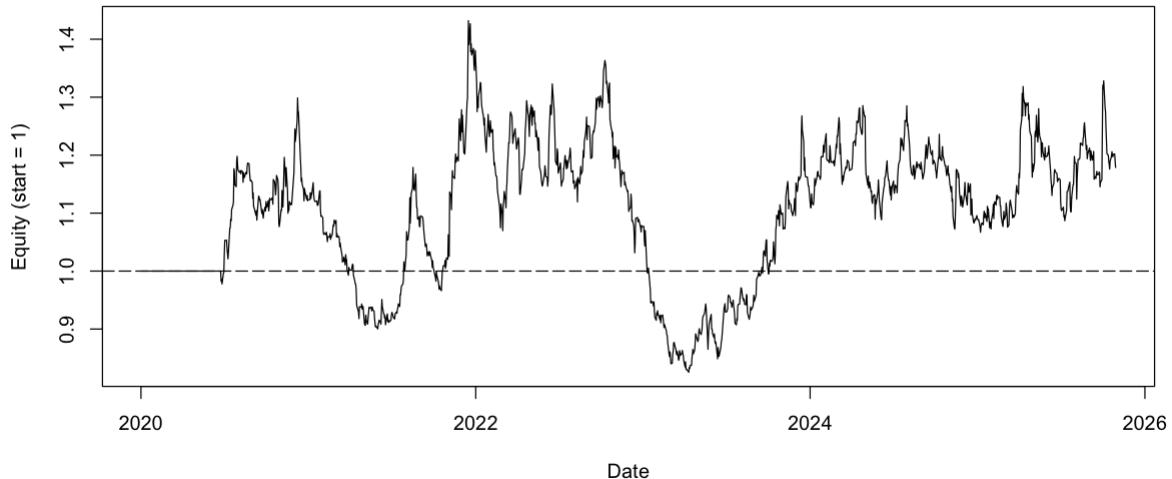
```
pfe <- pfe %>%
  filter(datadate >= as.Date("2020-01-01")) %>%
  arrange(datadate)

price <- pfe$prccd

# Generate signals and backtest using the optimal windows
best_signal <- ma_signal(price, fast = best_fast, slow = best_slow)
best_bt     <- backtest_ma(price, signal = best_signal)

# Equity curve plot
plot(
  pfe$datadate, best_bt$equity, type = "l",
  xlab = "Date", ylab = "Equity (start = 1)",
  main = paste("Equity Curve - MA Crossover (fast =", best_fast,
              ", slow =", best_slow, ")")
)
abline(h = 1, lty = 5)
```

Equity Curve – MA Crossover (fast = 50 , slow = 120)



```
# Store data in an xts readable dataframe
strategy_returns <- xts(best_bt$returns, order.by = pfe$datadate)
benchmark_returns <- xts(pfe$ret, order.by = pfe$datadate)

colnames(strategy_returns) <- ("MA Crossover Strategy (50,120)")
colnames(benchmark_returns) <- ("Buy & Hold Benchmark (PFE Returns)")

# Performance Summary Chart
options(repr.plot.width = 10, repr.plot.height = 9) # Adjust plot dim.
charts.PerformanceSummary(
  comparison,
  geometric = FALSE,
  main = paste("Strategy Performance (Fast MA =",
    best_fast, ", Slow MA =", best_slow, ")")
)

# Reset to default height
options(repr.plot.width = 10, repr.plot.height = 5)
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Strategy Performance (Fast MA = 50 , Slow MA = 120)



```
# Compute moving averages for the best windows
fast_ma_best <- moving_avg(price, win_size = best_fast)
slow_ma_best <- moving_avg(price, win_size = best_slow)

# Base plot: price
plot(
  pfe$datadate, price, type = "l",
  xlab = "Date", ylab = "Price",
  main = paste("Pfizer Price with", best_fast,
  "and", best_slow, "Day MAs")
)
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# Add moving averages
lines(pfe$datadate, fast_ma_best, col = "blue")
lines(pfe$datadate, slow_ma_best, col = "red")

# Identify crossover points
spread     <- fast_ma_best - slow_ma_best
cross_idx <- which(diff(sign(spread)) != 0) + 1

# Add crossover markers to the plot
points(
  pfe$datadate[cross_idx],
  price[cross_idx],
  pch = 16, col = "darkgreen", cex = 1.2
)

legend(
  "topleft",
  legend = c(
    "Price",
    paste0("Fast MA (", best_fast, ")"),
    paste0("Slow MA (", best_slow, ")"),
    "Crossover Point"
  ),
  col = c("black", "blue", "red", "darkgreen"),
  lty = c(1, 1, 1, NA),
  pch = c(NA, NA, NA, 16),
  bty = "n"
)

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Pfizer Price with 50 and 120 Day MAs

