# Coka-Cola price in past 2 years report

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#### Introduction

In this report, we analyze the closing prices of Coca-Cola(KO) over the past two years. Our goal is to fit a smooth curve through the observed prices. We will use polynomial regression and Newton-Raphson's method to locate key turning points.

#### Data Retrieval and Preprocessing

To begin, we collect Coca-Cola's daily closing stock prices from the past two years using publicly available data from Yahoo Finance. These daily prices give us a detailed picture of how the stock moved over time. Before analyzing patterns, we smooth out some of the day-to-day fluctuations using a moving average technique to better observe longer-term trends.

- 1. Load required packages and set working directory
- 2. Fetch Coca-Cola closing price data from Yahoo Finance and plot it. To get the trading days data of the past two years, we ask the function to count back 730 days.

```
par(mfrow = c(1,1))
getSymbols('KO', src= 'yahoo', from=Sys.Date()-730, auto.assign=T)

## [1] "KO"
ko = Cl(KO)
Y = as.numeric(ko)
n = length(Y)
```

3. Load and apply custom moving average smoothing function(my tsma)

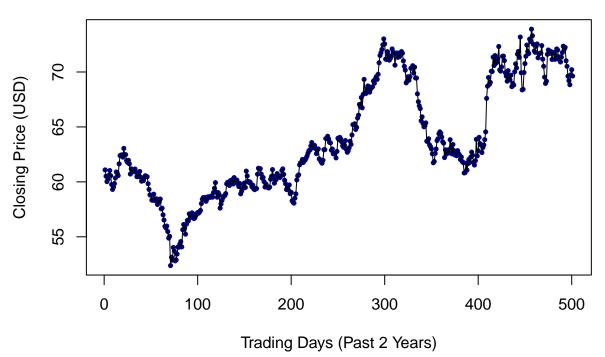
```
source('my_tsma.R')
M = my_tsma(Y, 14)
dates = index(KO)
ydf = data.frame(Date = dates, Close = Y, MA = M$approx)
```

4. Plot raw data again with smoothed version

```
source('mlr.R')
tt = seq(1, n, 1)
plot(
   tt, Y,
```

```
pch = 16,
col = 'darkblue',
cex = 0.7,
xlab = "Trading Days (Past 2 Years)",
ylab = "Closing Price (USD)",
main = "Coca-Cola (KO) Stock Closing Prices Over the Past 2 Years"
)
lines(tt, Y)
```

### Coca-Cola (KO) Stock Closing Prices Over the Past 2 Years



Polynomial Regression Fit 8th-degree polynomial model, since it is the best fit after trying out different orders of polynomials

```
ttz = (tt - mean(tt)) / sd(tt)

Mp = mlr(cbind(1, ttz, ttz^2, ttz^3, ttz^4, ttz^5, ttz^6, ttz^7, ttz^8), Y)
bhat = Mp$bhat
yhat = Mp$Yhat

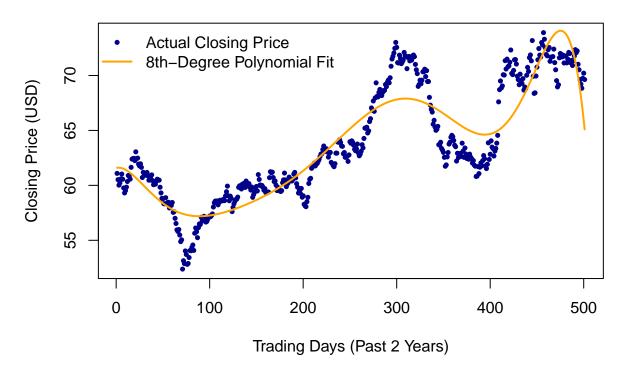
plot(
    tt, Y, pch = 16, col = 'darkblue',cex = 0.7,
    xlab = "Trading Days (Past 2 Years)",
    ylab = "Closing Price (USD)",
    main = "Coca-Cola (KO) Stock Price and Fitted Polynomial Trend"
)

lines(tt, yhat, col = 'orange', lwd = 2)

legend("topleft",
    legend = c("Actual Closing Price", "8th-Degree Polynomial Fit"),
```

```
col = c("darkblue", "orange"),
pch = c(16, NA),
lty = c(NA, 1),
lwd = c(NA, 2),
pt.cex = c(0.7, NA),
bty = "n")
```

## Coca-Cola (KO) Stock Price and Fitted Polynomial Trend



### Derivative and Turning Point Detection

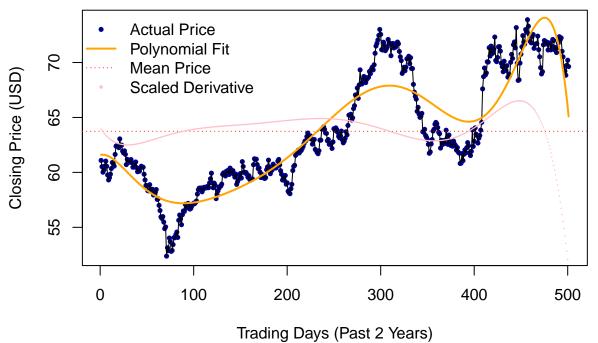
Compute derivative coefficients and define function. This section allows us to see the trend of how the slope changes in the original graph.

Plot the original data, fitted curve, and scaled derivative to observe the pattern in the graph

```
tt = seq(1, n, 1)
plot(
   tt, Y,
   pch = 16,
```

```
col = 'darkblue',
  cex = 0.7,
  xlab = "Trading Days (Past 2 Years)",
 ylab = "Closing Price (USD)",
 main = "Coca-Cola (KO) Price, Polynomial Fit, and Derivative Trend"
lines(tt, Y)
lines(tt, yhat, col = 'orange', lwd = 2)
abline(h = mean(Y), lty = 3, col = 'red')
# Overlay scaled derivative
points(tt, dpx(tt) * 0.1 + mean(Y), pch = 16, col = 'pink', cex = 0.2)
# Add legend
legend("topleft",
       legend = c("Actual Price", "Polynomial Fit", "Mean Price", "Scaled Derivative"),
       col = c("darkblue", "orange", "red", "pink"),
       pch = c(16, NA, NA, 16),
       lty = c(NA, 1, 3, NA),
       lwd = c(NA, 2, 1, NA),
       pt.cex = c(0.7, NA, NA, 0.5),
       bty = "n")
```

### Coca-Cola (KO) Price, Polynomial Fit, and Derivative Trend



Newton-Raphson method to find the minimum and maximum. From the pink derivative line we derived above, we observed that there are 5 intersections with the mean, and we suspect there is a turning point at the stock price curve. To avoid missing any possible maxima, we choose to have 6 guesses for Newton-Raphson method.

```
# Plot the data and fitted curve with enhancements
tt = seq(1, n, 1)
plot(
 tt, Y,
  pch = 16,
  col = 'darkblue',
  cex = 0.7,
 xlab = "Trading Days (Past 2 Years)",
 ylab = "Closing Price (USD)",
  main = "Coca-Cola (KO) Stock: Trend, Derivative, and Turning Points"
lines(tt, Y)
lines(tt, yhat, col = 'orange', lwd = 2)
abline(h = mean(Y), lty = 3, col = 'red')
# Overlay scaled derivative
points(tt, dpx(tt) * 0.1 + mean(Y), pch = 16, col = 'pink', cex = 0.2)
source('newrap.R')
# Define second derivative
ddpx = function(x){
 x_std = (x - mean(tt)) / sd(tt)
  val = dbhat[2] + 2*dbhat[3]*x_std + 3*dbhat[4]*x_std^2 +
        4*dbhat[5]*x_std^3 + 5*dbhat[6]*x_std^4 + 6*dbhat[7]*x_std^5 + 7*dbhat[8]*x_std^6
 return(val / sd(tt)^2)
}
# Find turning points
guesses = c(80, 130, 200, 300, 380, 450)
roots = c()
for (g in guesses) {
 result = newrap(dpx, g)
  if (result$converged) {
    roots = c(roots, round(result$solution, 1))
}
roots = sort(unique(roots))
# draw turning points
for (r in roots) {
  if (ddpx(r) > 0) {
   abline(v = r, col = 'purple', lwd = 2) # local min
 } else if (ddpx(r) < 0) {
    abline(v = r, col = 'lightgreen', lwd = 2) # local max
}
# legend
legend("topleft",
       legend = c("Actual Price", "Polynomial Fit", "Mean Price", "Scaled Derivative",
```

```
"Local Minima", "Local Maxima"),

col = c("darkblue", "orange", "red", "pink", "purple", "lightgreen"),

pch = c(16, NA, NA, 16, NA, NA),

lty = c(NA, 1, 3, NA, 1, 1),

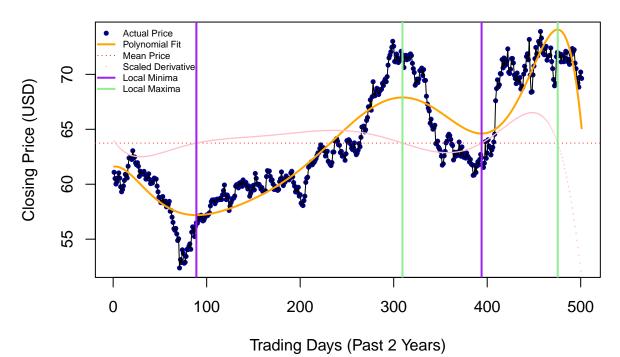
lwd = c(NA, 2, 1, NA, 2, 2),

pt.cex = c(0.7, NA, NA, 0.2, NA, NA),

cex = 0.58,

bty = "n")
```

### Coca-Cola (KO) Stock: Trend, Derivative, and Turning Points



Conclusion In this paper, we analyzed the closing prices of Coca-Cola (KO) over the past two years using polynomial regression and Newton-Raphson's method. By fitting an 8th-degree polynomial to the stock price data, we were able to create a smooth curve that captures the general trends and fluctuations in price. We then computed the first derivative of the fitted model and used the Newton-Raphson method to locate where the derivative is zero.

From our analysis, we identified six turning points (local maxima and minima) across approximately 730 trading days (about 2 years of data). These points correspond to significant shifts in the stock's direction—either from increasing to decreasing or vice-versa.

After applying Newton-Raphson, we obtained a refined list of actual turning points:

```
print(roots)
```

```
## [1] 89.0 309.4 394.0 475.4
```

To understand how frequently Coca-Cola's stock price trends change direction, we compute the differences between successive turning points and take their average:

```
intervals = diff(roots)
average_interval = mean(intervals)
intervals
```

```
## [1] 220.4 84.6 81.4
```

### average\_interval

## [1] 128.8

round(average\_interval)

## [1] 129

This output tells us The intervals between turning points (in trading days) and the average interval, which represents how often the price trend repeats. Thus we find that Coca-Cola's price trend reverses direction every 129 trading days, which corresponds to approximately every 3.5 to 4 months.