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Milestone One

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Topic: 🔗

Looking at historical price data on individual tickers to glean insight into how prices change.

Broad Questions:

- 1. What indicators predict price the best?
- 2. When a stock has earnings (e.g. reports how they did in the previous quarter), how does that affect stock price?
- 3. How can we best predict when a stock will change trends (e.g. go from an up trend to a down trend)

Reading in data

Setup

```
library(tidyverse)
library(ggplot2)
```

We have historical price data on all stocks in the Nasdaq. Each stock has its own ticker (e.g. 'AAPL'), and each has its own csv file with price data.

```
# Reading in price data for 'AAPL'
aapl <- read_csv("../data/nasdaq_prices/stocks/AAPL.csv")</pre>
```

```
tail(aapl)
```

```
# A tibble: 6 \times 7
  Date
              Open High
                           Low Close `Adj Close`
                                                    Volume
             <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
  <date>
                                            <dbl>
                                                      <dbl>
1 2020-03-25 251.
                    258.
                          244.
                                 246.
                                             246. 75900500
2 2020-03-26 247.
                    259.
                          246.
                                258.
                                             258. 63021800
                    256.
                                             248. 51054200
3 2020-03-27 253.
                          247.
                                248.
4 2020-03-30 251.
                    256.
                           249.
                                 255.
                                             255. 41994100
5 2020-03-31 256.
                    262.
                          252
                                 254.
                                             254. 49250500
6 2020-04-01 246.
                    249.
                          239.
                                241.
                                             241. 43956200
```

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Codebook

- 1. Date
- A date object that lists the date in "YYYY-MM-DD" format
- 2. Open
- A double that gives the opening price of the stock each day
- 3. High
- A double that gives the high price of the stock each day
- 4. Low
- A double that gives the low price of the stock each day
- 5. Close
- A double that gives the closing price of the stock each day
- 6. Adj Close
- A double that gives the adjusted closing price of the stock each day (we will not be using this)
- 7. Volume
- A double that gives the amount of shares traded of the stock each day.

Next Steps

We can try to answer the first question: Which indicators predict price the best? An indicator is a technical analysis tool that uses price data to produce a numerical value that tells us some information about the price. Most indicators can be calculated from the data we have.

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