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The weight of the evidence remains bullish for stocks, despite an uptick in volatility and a wild news cycle. We are seeing upside leadership from finance, communication services, defense, medical devices, pipelines, cloud, cybersecurity and gold. We are also seeing lots of wedge/channel breakouts and most are holding. Here is the leading ETF symbol list: XLF, XLC, ITA, IHI, AMLP, CLOU, SKYY, CIBR, GLD.

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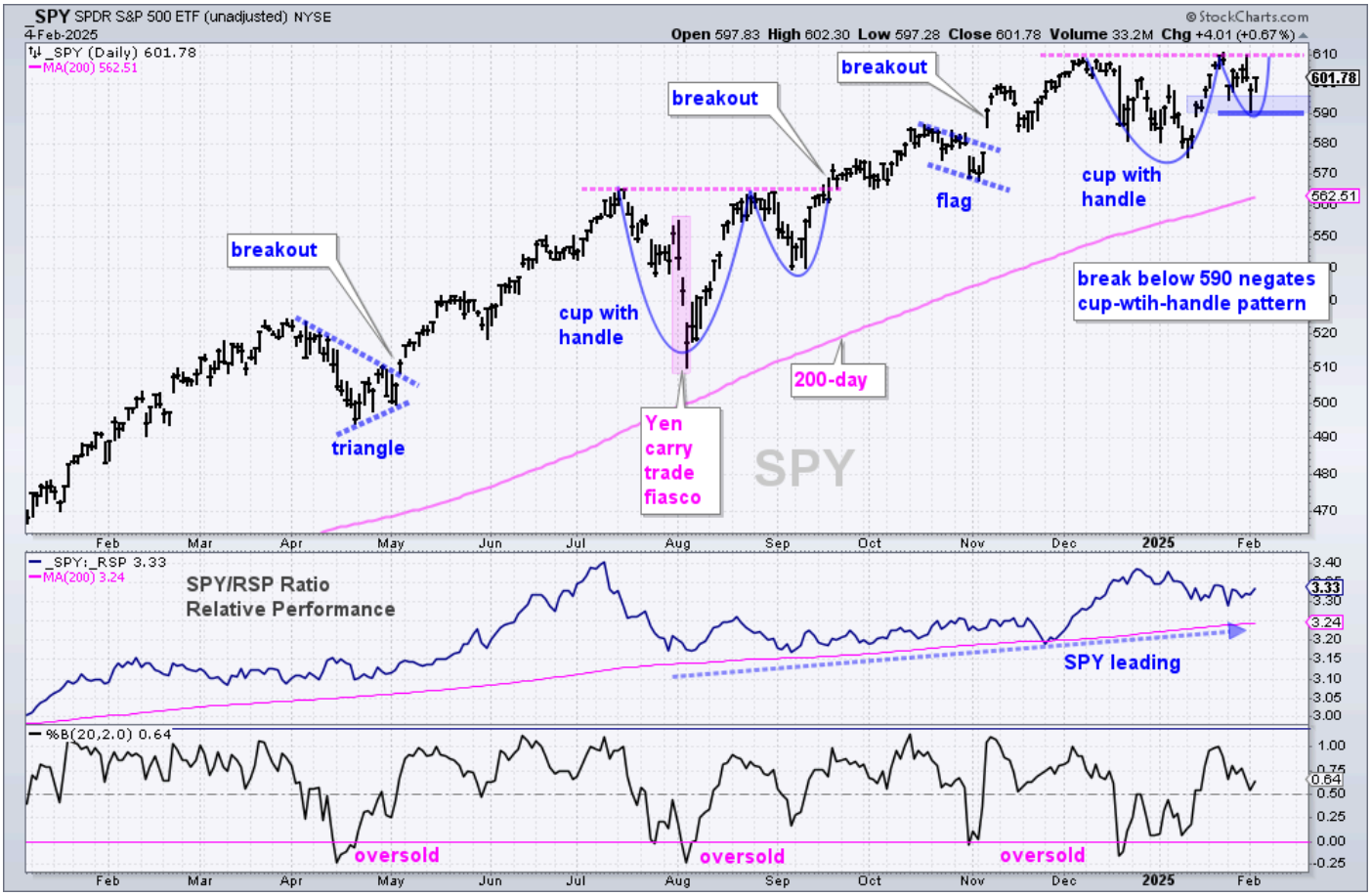
1010 S&P 500 SPY



2025-02-04: SPY Forms Bullish Cup-with-handle Pattern // SPY price action has been choppy since early November when the ETF first tagged 600. Since November 8th, the ETF traded between 610 and 585. Overall, this is some sort of consolidation within a bigger uptrend. I marked a falling wedge and a breakout last week. SPY is currently testing this breakout zone (blue shading). This week I am taking a step back and marking a cup-with-handle, which is a bullish continuation pattern. It is a consolidation within a bigger uptrend. The cup extends from early December to mid January, the handle formed over the last two weeks and rim resistance is set at 610. A breakout here would be bullish. The handle lows mark short-term support at 590 and a break here would negate the pattern. Even with a break at 590, the long-term trend would still be up and I would then wait for the next bullish setup to emerge.

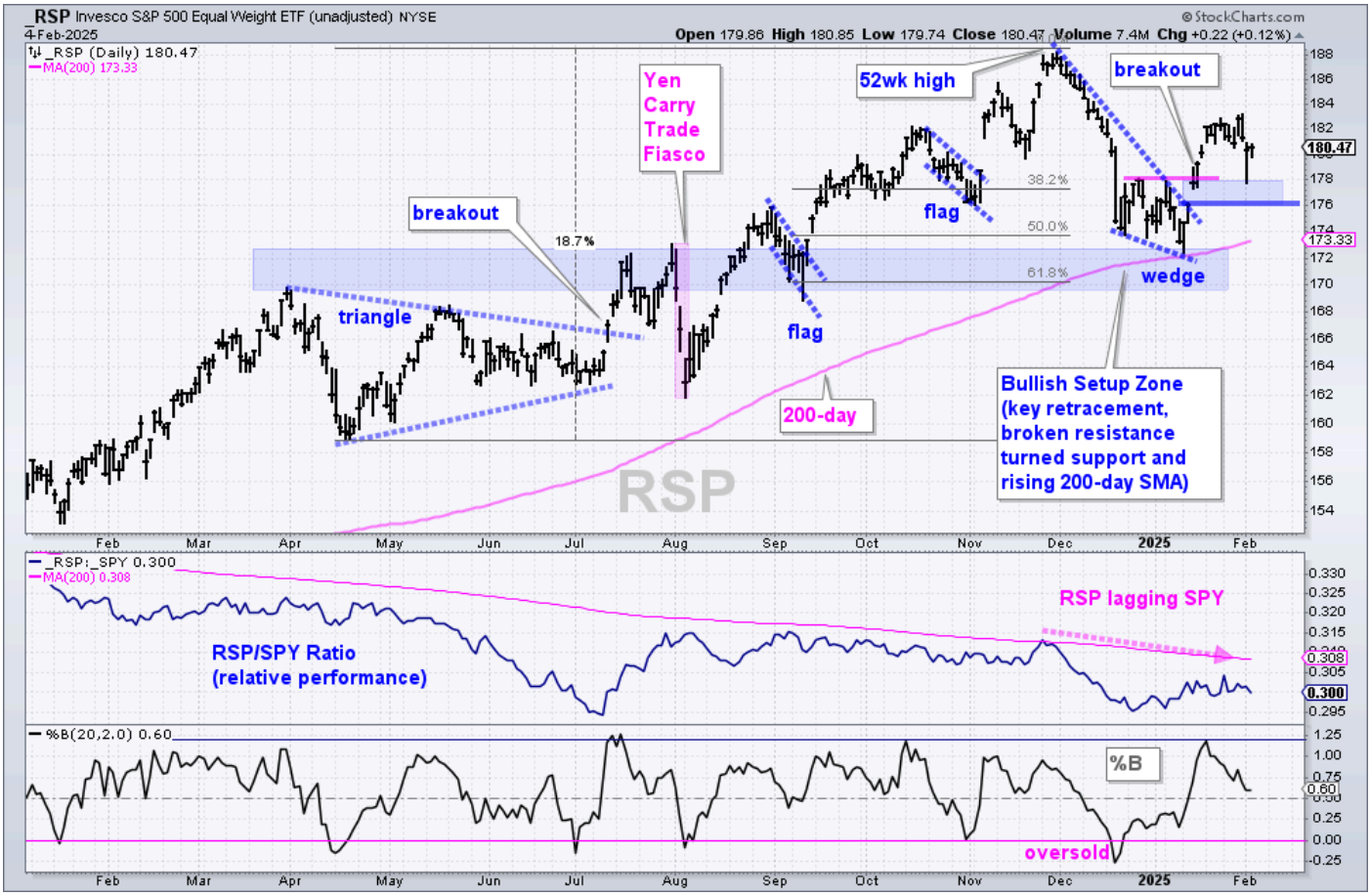
Long-term: SPY remains in a long-term uptrend with a new high in mid December and price well above the rising 200-day SMA. The most recent medium-term pattern was the cup-with-handle consolidation from mid July to mid September. SPY broke out at 565 in mid September and extended to 610 in mid December.

1011 Nasdaq 100 QQQ

2025-02-04: QQQ Tests Wedge Breakout Zone // Short-term, QQQ broke out of a small wedge with a surge on 17-Jan. The breakout zone around 510-515 (blue shading) turns first support to watch on a throwback, which is what we are seeing in late January and early February. Volatility is rearing its ugly head and this seriously increases the chance for a whipsaw. Nevertheless, a break below 510 would negate the wedge breakout and argue for a deeper correction. Even with a break at 510, the long-term trend would still be up and I would then wait for the next bullish setup to emerge.

Long-term: QQQ remains in a long-term uptrend with a new high in mid December and price well above the rising 200-day SMA. The most recent medium-term pattern was the triangle consolidation in July-August. QQQ broke out at 480 in mid September and extended to 540 in mid December.

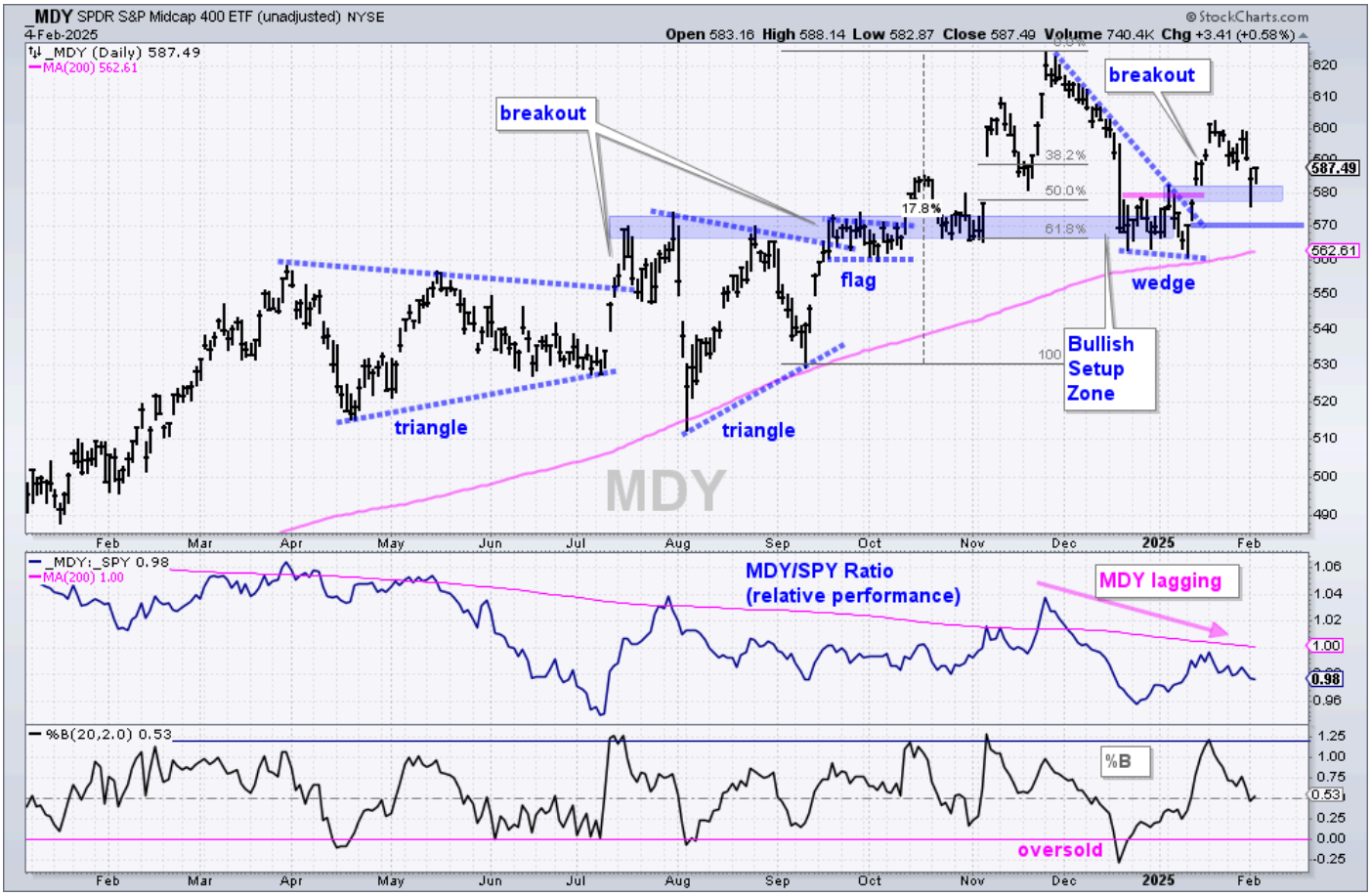
1011 S&P 500 Equal-weight RSP



2025-02-04: RSP Tests Wedge Breakout Zone // The S&P 500 EW ETF (RSP) broke out of the falling wedge on 17-Jan and reversed the short-term downswing. As a correction within a bigger uptrend, this breakout signals an end to the pullback and a resumption of the bigger uptrend. The breakout zone in the 176-178 area marks first support to watch and RSP dipped into this zone with Monday's low. I am marking re-evaluation support at 176 because a close below this level would negate the wedge breakout.

RSP formed a falling wedge with a deep pullback from early December to mid January. This was deemed a pullback or correction within the bigger uptrend. The decline retraced 61.8 percent of the April-December advance and returned to the 200-day SMA. The blue shading also marks support from broken resistance. Taken together, there was a Bullish Setup Zone in the 172 area.

1012 S&P 400 MidCap MDY



2025-02-04: MDY Tests Wedge Breakout Zone // The S&P MidCap 400 SPDR (MDY) broke falling wedge resistance at 580 with a gap-surge. This breakout zone turns first support and the ETF is testing the breakout with a throwback the last two weeks. This is the area to watch for firming and a resumption of the breakout. Re-evaluation support is set at 570 and a break here would negate the pattern.

1013 S&P 600 SmallCap IJR

2025-02-04: IJR Falls Back below Breakout Zone and Lags // The S&P SmallCap 600 SPDR (IJR) broke falling wedge resistance at 118, stalled for two weeks and then moved back below 118. SPY, QQQ, MDY and RSP remain above their breakouts zone. IJR is back below its breakout zone and lagging. The middle window shows the price-relative (IJR/RSP ratio) falling since December as IJR lags the S&P 500 EW ETF (RSP).

1014 Russell 2000 SmallCap IWM

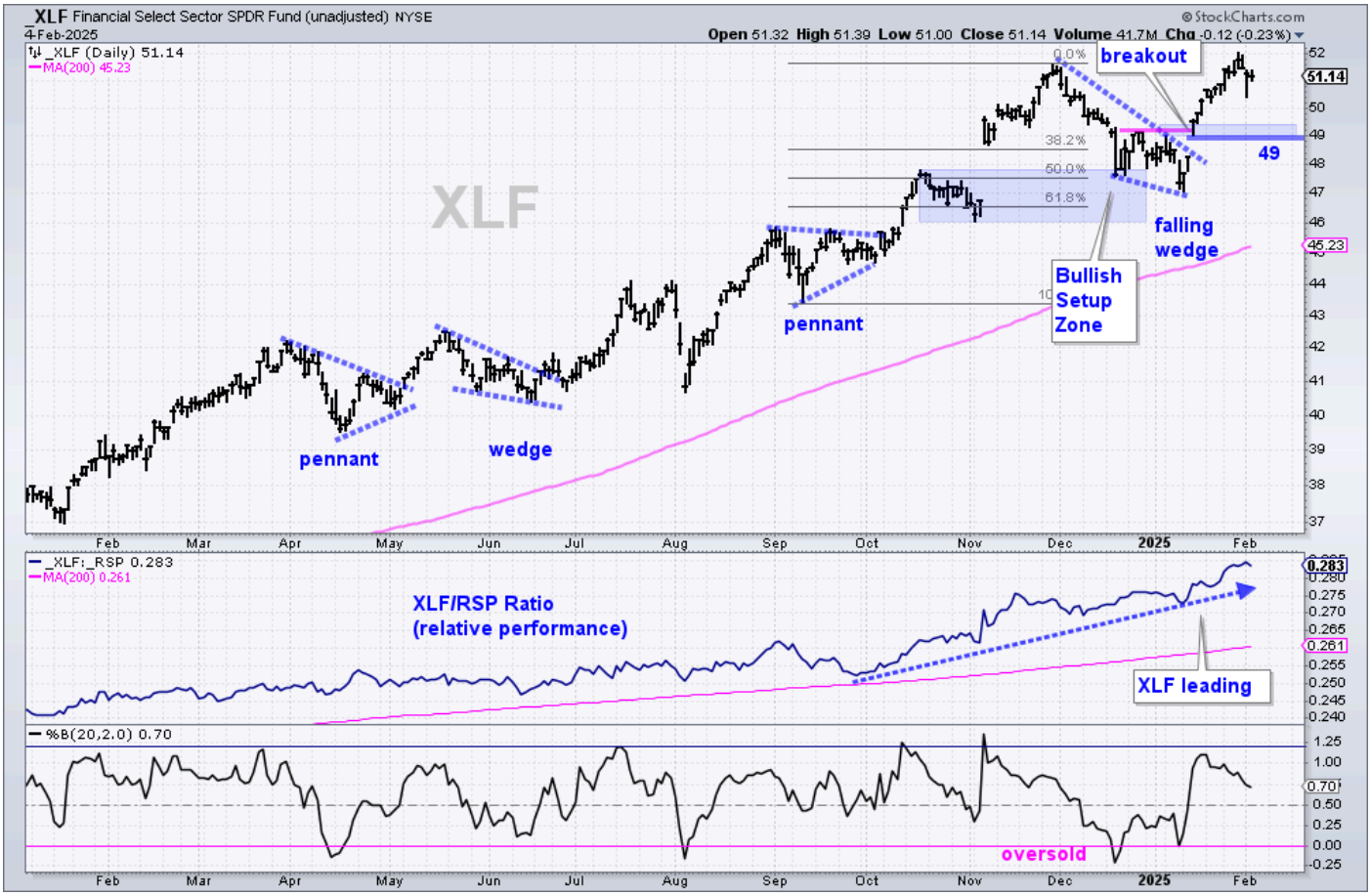
2025-02-04: IWM Falls Back below Breakout Zone and Lags // The Russell 2000 ETF (IWM) broke falling wedge resistance at 228, stalled for two weeks and then moved back below the breakout zone. SPY, QQQ, MDY and RSP remain above their breakouts zone. IWM is back below its breakout zone and lagging. The middle window shows the price-relative (IWM/RSP ratio) falling since December as IWM lags the S&P 500 EW ETF (RSP).

2010 Technology SPDR XLK

2025-02-04: XLK Tests Support and Underperforms // The Technology SPDR (XLK) represents a split within the tech sector. Semiconductors are weak and AI infrastructure turned volatile the last few weeks. Meanwhile, Cybersecurity, cloud and fintech remain strong. The chart shows XLK with a breakout in mid September and very choppy price action since November. XLK traded between 222 and 243 since early November with an island reversal forming in mid January (pink oval). XLK is currently testing support and the 200-day SMA. A move below 222 would break both and be bearish for the largest sector in the S&P 500. Also note that XLK is lagging the broader market this year as the XLK/RSP ratio moved lower (middle window).

Long-term: XLK is in a long-term uptrend with a new high in January 2025 and price above the 200-day SMA. Medium-term, the last pattern was the large triangle in July and August. XLK broke out in mid September and worked its way higher since this breakout.

2030 Financial SPDR XLF



2025-02-04: XLF Holds Near Highs and Leads // The Finance SPDR (XLF) formed a falling wedge with a pullback into early January and broke out with a gap-surge on 16-Jan. The wedge is viewed as a correction within a long-term uptrend and the breakout signals a continuation higher. The breakout zone around 49 turns first support to watch should we get a test of the breakout zone (throwback). A close below 49 would negate the wedge breakout. The middle window shows the price-relative hitting new highs in early February as XLF leads the broader market.

2040 Industrials SPDR XLI

2025-02-04: XLI Pulls Back after Breakout Surge // The Industrials SPDR (XLI) broke wedge resistance with a gap-surge above 134 and extended above 140 before falling back. The breakout zone around 134 turns first support and holds the key to the breakout. A close below 133 would negate the wedge breakout. The middle window shows the price-relative (XLI/RSP ratio) turning up in early January and tagging a new high in January as XLK leads the broader market.

A Bullish Setup Zone with a Falling Wedge // The blue shading marks broken resistance turned support, the 61.8 percent retracement and the rising 200-day SMA. This is an area to watch for support and a reversal when the bigger trend is up (Bullish Setup Zone). Also note that Percent-B became oversold in mid December. The pattern, the retracement amount, support levels and oversold conditions produced a bullish setup.

2050 Comm Services SPDR XLC

2025-02-04: XLC Hits New High and Leads // The Communication Services SPDR (XLC) broke wedge resistance with a surge on January 22nd and extended to new highs. ETFs hitting new highs are in strong uptrends and leading. The breakout zone in the 96-99 area turns into first support and holds the key to the wedge breakout. Re-evaluation support is set at 96 and a close below this level would negate the breakout. The middle window shows the XLC/RSP ratio hitting a new high in early February as XLC leads the broader market. META (20.48 percent), GOOGL (19.22 percent) and NLFX (7.08 percent) account for around 47 percent of the ETF.

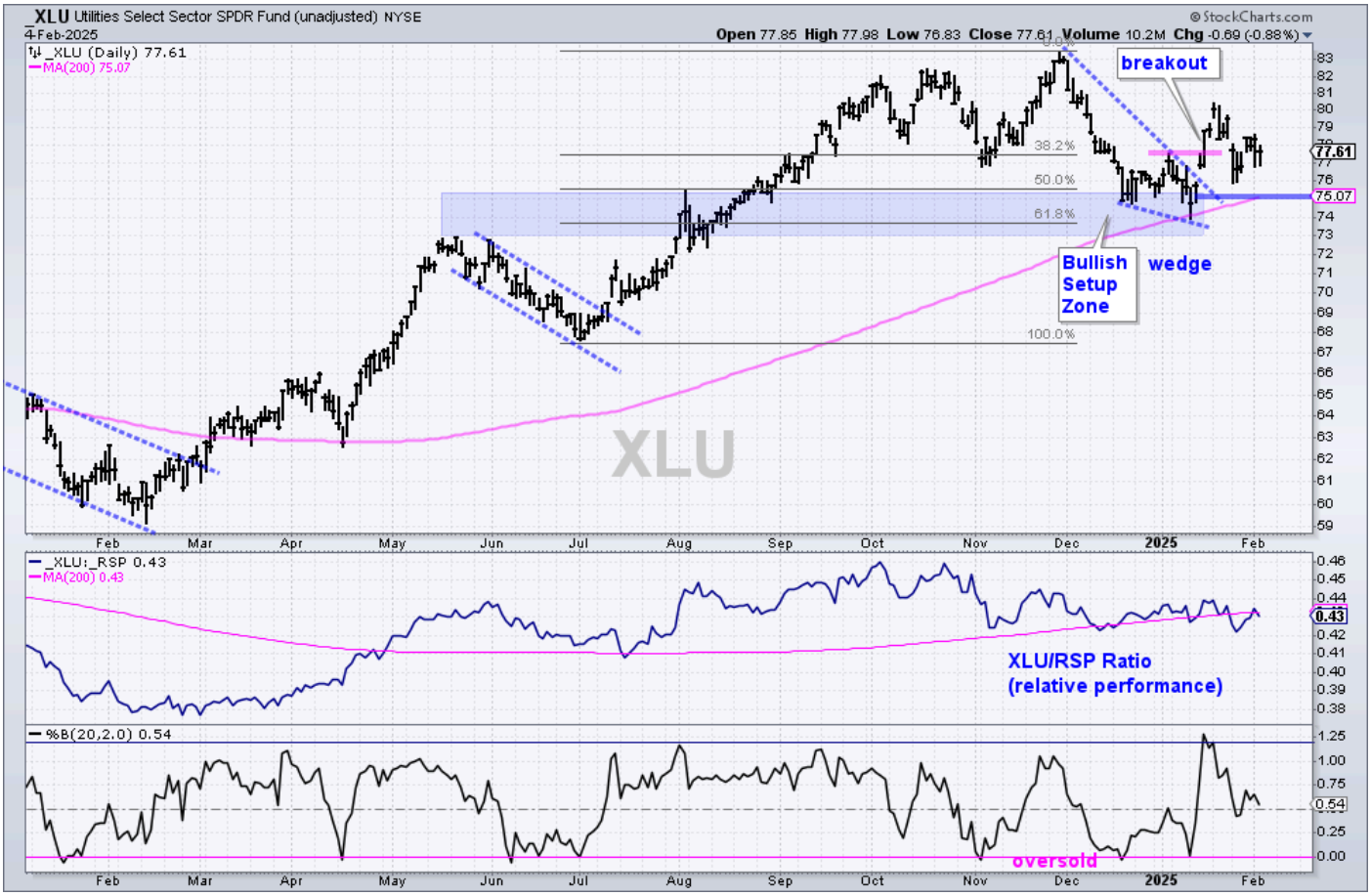
Notice that the January wedge retraced around 38.2 percent of the Sept-Dec advance and found support near the mid November low. This wedge is a short-term bullish continuation pattern and the breakout signals a continuation of the bigger uptrend.

Long-term: XLC is in a long-term uptrend with a new high in mid December and price well above the rising 200-day SMA. The triangle consolidation in July-August was the last medium-term pattern (bullish continuation pattern). XLC broke out in mid September and extended higher.

2060 Healthcare SPDR XLV

2025-02-04: XLV Challenges 200-day SMA and Leads in 2025 // The Healthcare SPDR (XLV) came to life this year with a 7% gain year-to-date. XLV is the best performing sector this year, with XLF and XLC not far behind. On the price chart, XLV hit a new 52-week low near 136 in December and then surged to the 148 area by the end of January. The ETF broke out of a falling channel and is currently battling its 200-day SMA. I view this surge and breakout as bullish, but the ETF is short-term overbought after this big move. XLV goes on my radar for tradable pullbacks, such as falling flags, falling wedges or short-term oversold conditions. The breakout zone around 142 turns first support to watch should we get a throwback.

2100 Utilities SPDR XLU



2025-02-04: XLU Turns Volatile after Wedge Breakout // The Utilities SPDR (XLU) reversed near a Bullish Setup Zone (blue shading) and broke wedge resistance with a surge on January 16th. XLU benefited from big advances in Constellation (CEG) and Vistra (VST) during this breakout. Volatility cuts both ways as big 5-day declines in CEG (-16.14 percent) and VST (-19.92 percent) weighed on the sector in late January. Overall, I still give the wedge breakout the benefit of the doubt with re-evaluation support marked at 75. A close below this level would negate the breakout.

Top Ten Stocks: NEE, SO, CEG, DUK, AEP, SRE, VST, D, PEG, EXC

3000 Mag7 MAGS

2025-02-04: MAGS Struggles with Breakout but Holds Support // The Mag7 ETF (MAGS) formed a flag in December-January and broke flag resistance on January 22nd. MAGS is struggling to hold this breakout as it fell over 1% the last two Mondays (27-Jan and 3-Feb). NVDA, TSLA and MSFT are weighing, while META, AMZN and GOOGL are leading. MAGS established support in the 53-54 area the last five weeks and a break below 53 would be negative. This would not affect the long-term uptrend, but it would negate the flag breakout and argue for a deeper pullback.

MAGS is in a long-term uptrend as it hit a new high in December and remains well above the rising 200-day SMA.

Note that MAGS is an equal-weight ETF and the seven holdings are rebalanced quarterly. These include NVDA, AMZN, AAPL, GOOGL, META, MSFT and TSLA.

3010 TE AI & Tech AIQ

2025-02-04: AIQ Tests Breakout Zone // The Global AI & Tech ETF (AIQ) broke flag resistance on January 21st and hit a new high near 41. AIQ fell back and tested the breakout zone, which turns into first support (blue shading). This test is so far successful as AIQ held 39. A close below 39 would negate the flag breakout. Even with a failed flag, the long-term trend would still be up and I would then wait for the next bullish setup to emerge.

Long-term: AIQ hit a new high in late January and is above the rising 200-day SMA (long-term uptrend).

The Global AI & Tech ETF (AIQ) is an international ETF with an emphasis on software and applications (TSLA, NFLX, NOW, CRM, META).

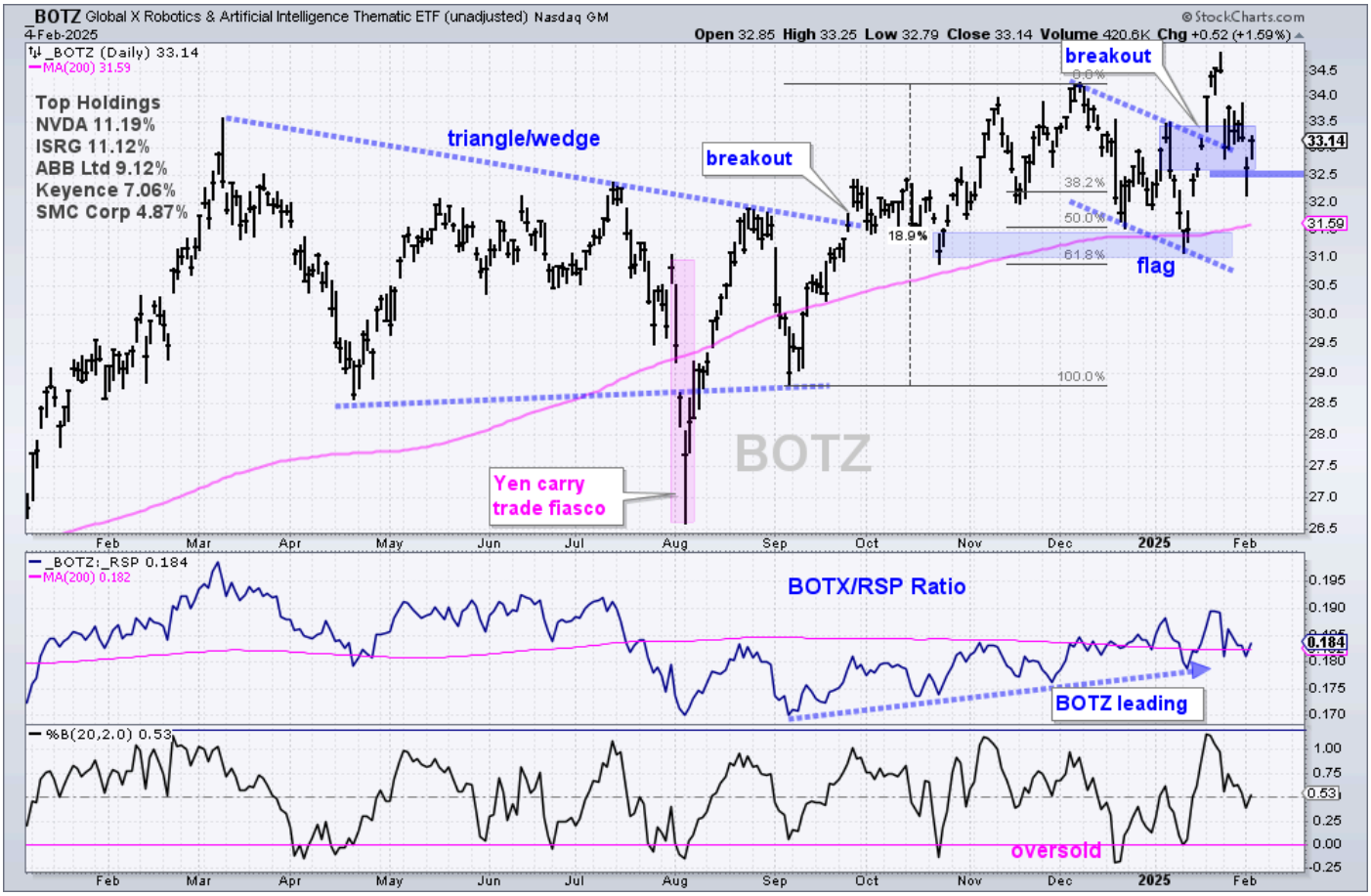
3010 TE AI Robotics ARTY

2025-02-04: ARTY Turns Volatile within Rising Channel // The Robotics AI ETF (ARTY) turned very volatile this year with five swings of 5 percent or more the last five weeks (pink lines). Overall, the ETF remains in an uptrend with a rising channel taking shape since September. ARTY bounced off the 37 area four times since mid December and I am marking key support at 36.50. A break here would reverse this upswing and call for a correction within the bigger uptrend. I would then wait for the next bullish setup to emerge.

The long-term trend is up as ARTY hit a new high last week and remains well above the rising 200-day SMA.

The Robotics AI ETF (ARTY) is largely focused on AI infrastructure (AVGO, ANET, VRT, NVDA, CEG).

3010 TE AI Robotics BOTZ

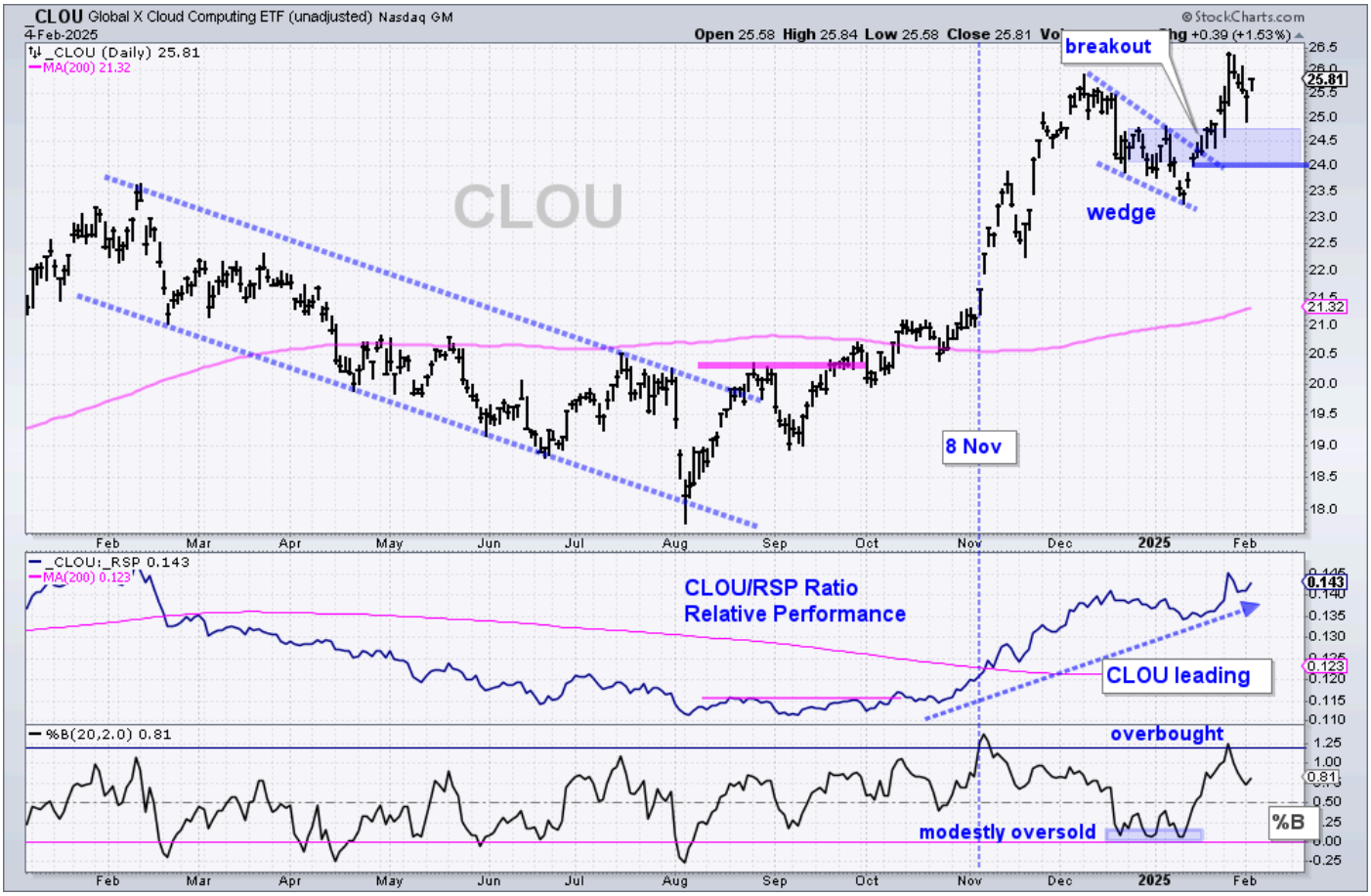


2025-02-04: BOTZ Tests Flag Breakout Zone for Second Time // The Global Robotics & AI ETF (BOTZ) formed a bull flag into January and broke out with a surge on January 21st. BOTZ hit a new high to affirm the long-term uptrend and then fell back to the flag breakout zone with down gaps the last two Mondays (27-Jan and 3-Feb). This breakout zone (blue shading) turns first support and another test is at hand. A close below 32.50 would negate the flag breakout.

BOTZ is in a long-term uptrend with a new high in January and price above the rising 200-day SMA.

The Global Robotics & AI ETF (BOTZ) is international with an emphasis on physical AI.

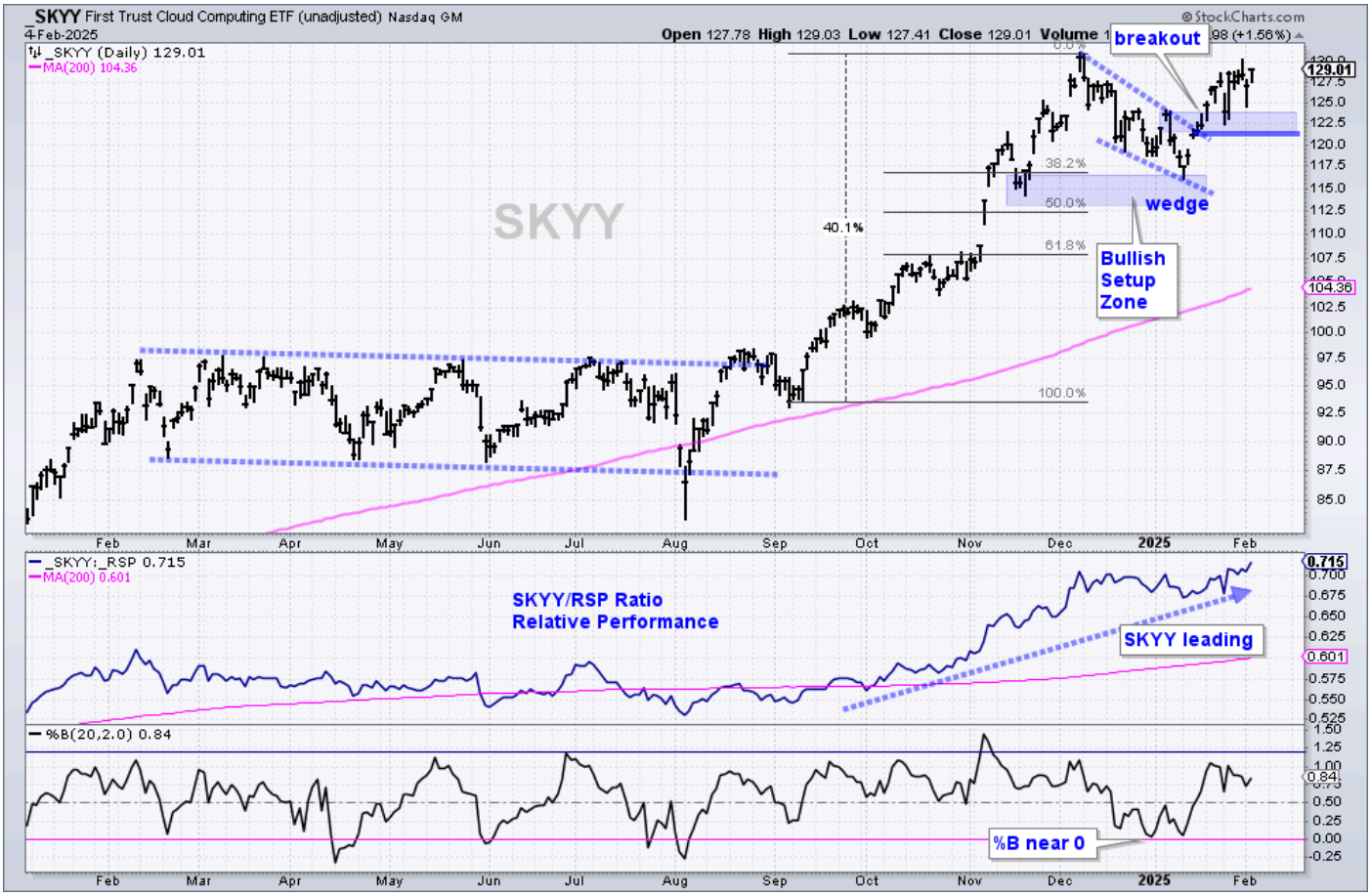
3010 TE Cloud CLOU



2025-02-04: CLOU Leads with New High // The Cloud ETF (CLOU) is leading within the tech sector as price and the price-relative (CLOU/RSP ratio) hit new highs in late January. On the price chart, CLOU broke out of a falling wedge on January 21st and extended to a new high. The breakout zone turns first support and my re-evaluation level is set at 24. A close below this level would negate the wedge breakout. This would not affect the long-term uptrend, but I would then wait for the next bullish setup to emerge. The middle window shows the CLOU/RSP ratio hitting a new high in late January as CLOU leads the broader market.

CLOU Top Holdings: TWLO, SNOW, SHOP, WIX, HUBS, DBX, NOW, PCOR, QLYS, CRM

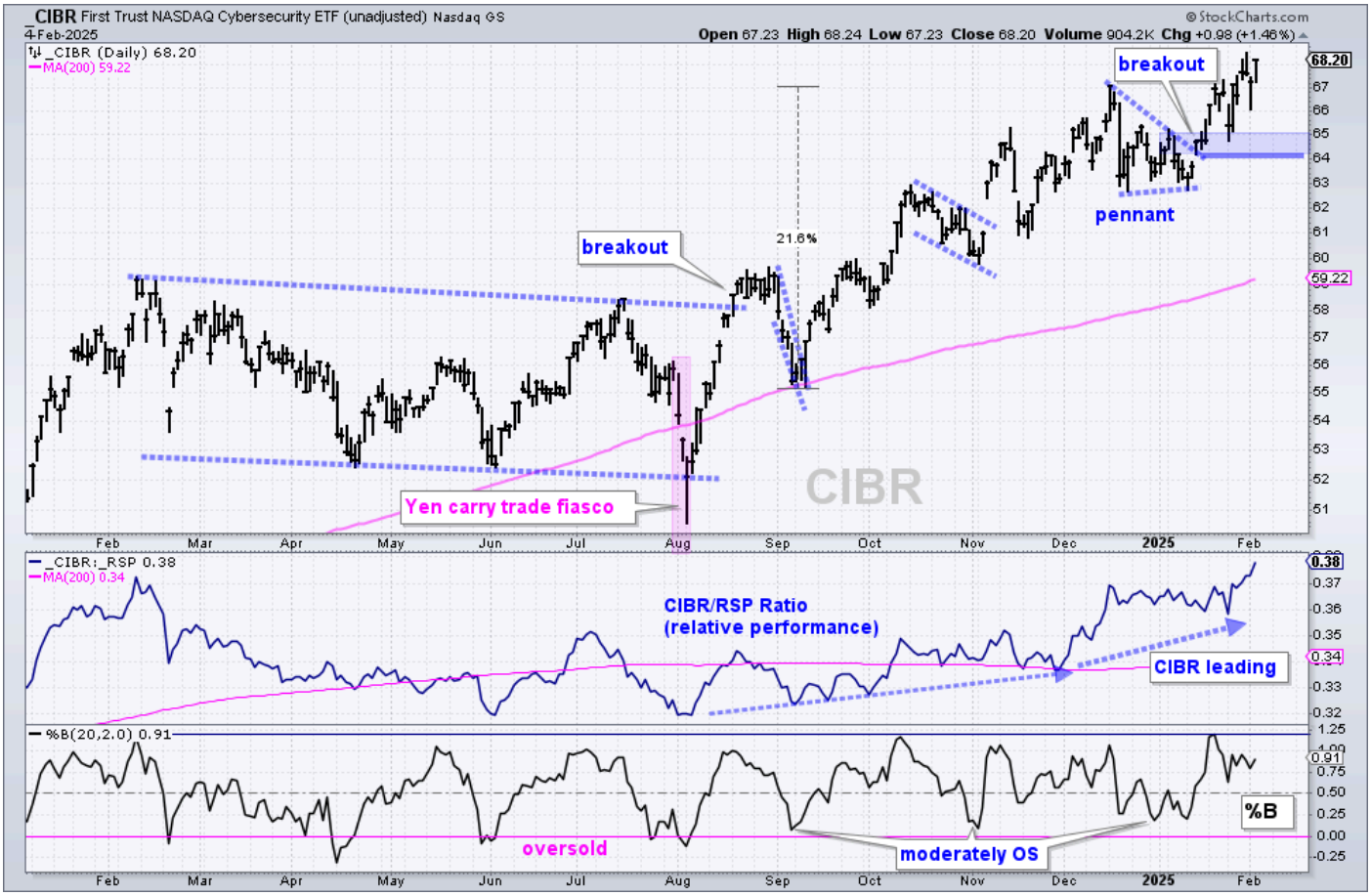
3010 TE Cloud SKYY



2025-02-04: SKYY Holds Wedge Breakout // The Cloud Computing ETF (SKYY) broke falling wedge resistance on January 21st and the breakout zone turns first support (blue shading). SKYY tested this zone last week and the breakout held. I am marking re-evaluation support at 121 and a close below this level would negate the wedge breakout. This would not affect the long-term uptrend, but I would then wait for the next bullish setup to emerge. The middle windows shows the SKYY leading the market as the SKYY/RSP ratio hit a new high in late January.

SKYY Top Holdings: PSTG, GOOGL, AMZN, MSFT, ANET, NTNX, IBM, NET, ORCL, MDB

3010 TE Cybersecurity CIBR



2025-02-04: CIBR Leads with New High // The Cybersecurity ETF (CIBR) is leading the market as it hit a new 52-week high last week. This shows a strong uptrend on the price chart. The middle window shows the price-relative (CIBR/RSP ratio) hitting a new high as well. This shows relative strength. Short-term, CIBR formed a pennant into mid January, broke out and extended to new highs. The breakout zone around 64-65 turns first support. A close below 64 would negate the pennant. This would not affect the long-term uptrend, but I would then wait for the next bullish setup to emerge.

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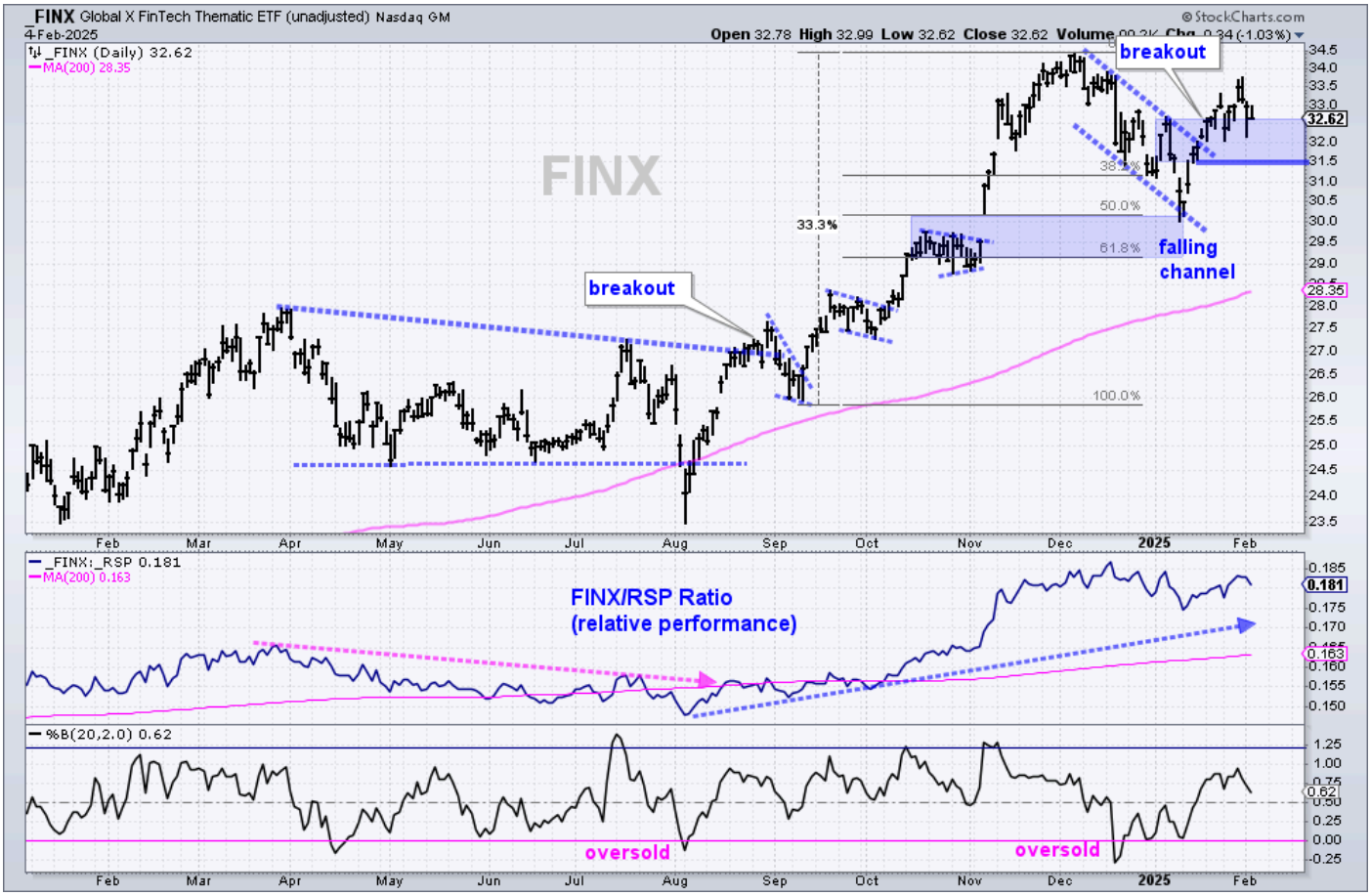

2025-02-04: FINX Holds Channel Breakout // The FinTech ETF (FINX) led the market with a 33% surge and new highs in early December. FINX then corrected with a falling channel that retraced around 50% and broke out on January 21st. I am marking the breakout zone in the 31.5-32.5 area. This zone now acts as support with a re-evaluation level at 31.50. A close below 31.50 would negate the channel breakout. This would not affect the long-term uptrend and I would then wait for the next bullish setup to emerge.

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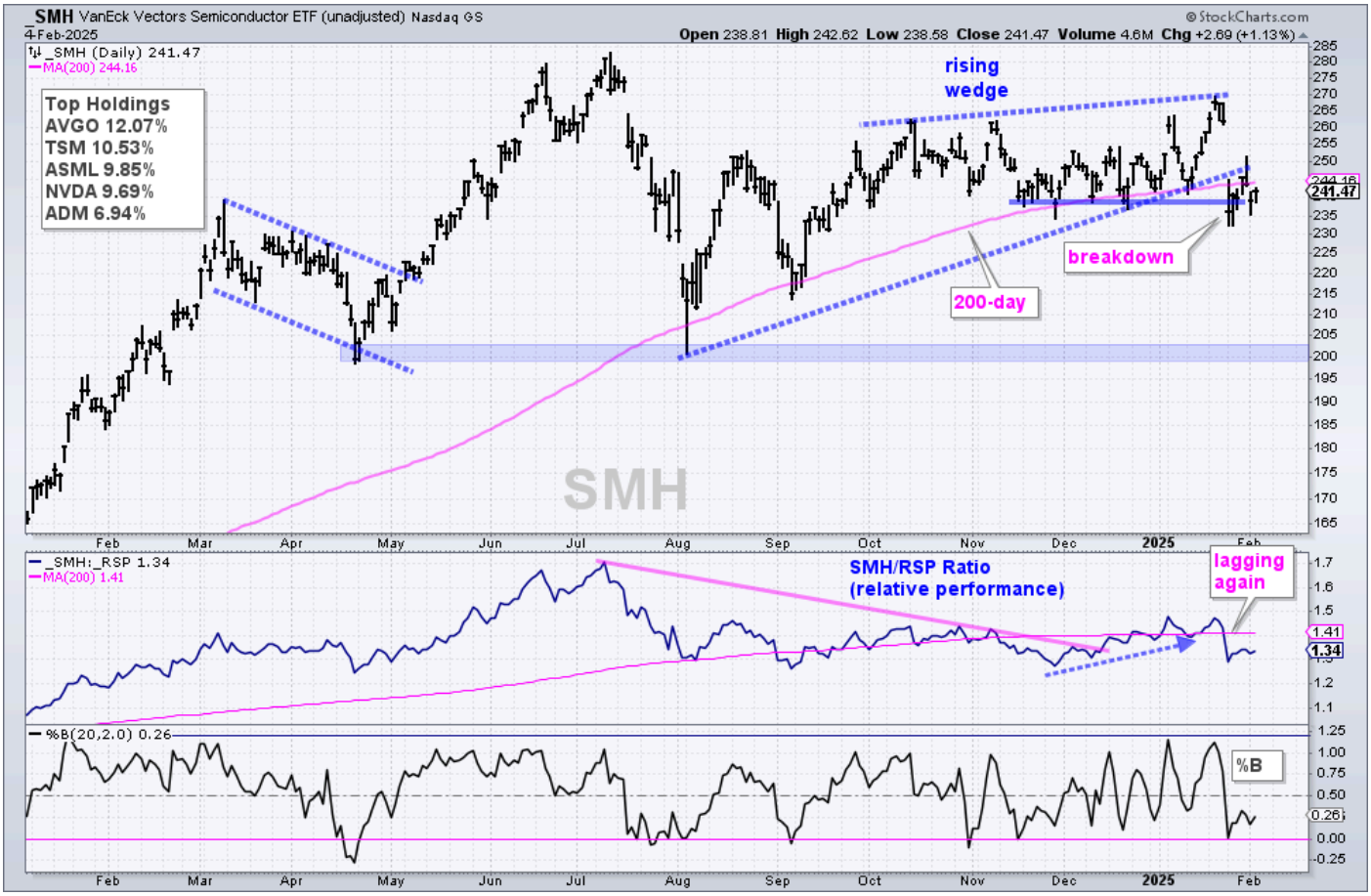

2025-01-29: SMH Breaks Wedge Support to Signal Continuation Lower // The Semiconductor ETF (SMH) formed a large rising wedge into late January and broke support with a sharp decline on Monday. Even though it rebounded on Tuesday, the pattern, plunge and break are the dominant features on this chart. Note that SMH did not come close to its July high as the wedge rose and formed a lower high from July to January. Rising wedges are typically bearish continuation patterns and a break signals a continuation of the prior decline (July). The next support zone is in the 200 area (blue shading). The middle window shows the SMH/RSP ratio turning lower as SMH returns to underperformance.

3010 TE Semiconductor SOXX

2025-01-29: SOXX Breaks Triangle Support to Signal a Continuation Lower // The Semiconductor ETF (SOXX) fell sharply in July and never fully recovering as it moved into a sideways consolidation (triangle). A consolidation after a sharp decline is typically a bearish continuation pattern. SOXX broke down with Monday's decline and this signals a continuation lower.

3010 TE Software IGV

2025-02-04: IGV Holds Wedge Breakout // The Software ETF (IGV) led the market with a 34% surge and new highs in early December. IGV then corrected with a falling wedge that retraced 50-61.8 percent and broke out on January 18th. I am marking the breakout zone in the 98-100 area. This zone now acts as support with a re-evaluation level at 98. A close below 98 would negate the wedge breakout. This would not affect the long-term uptrend and I would then wait for the next bullish setup to emerge.

3030 FI Bank KBE

2025-01-21: KBE Breaks Wedge Resistance with Gap-Surge // KBE formed a falling wedge with the pullback to the 53 area and broke out with a gap-surge above 57. Re-evaluation support is set at 54.

3030 FI Banks Regional KRE

2025-01-21: KRE Breaks Wedge Resistance with Gap-Surge // KBE formed a falling wedge with the pullback to the 58 area and broke out with a gap-surge above 62. Re-evaluation support is set at 59.

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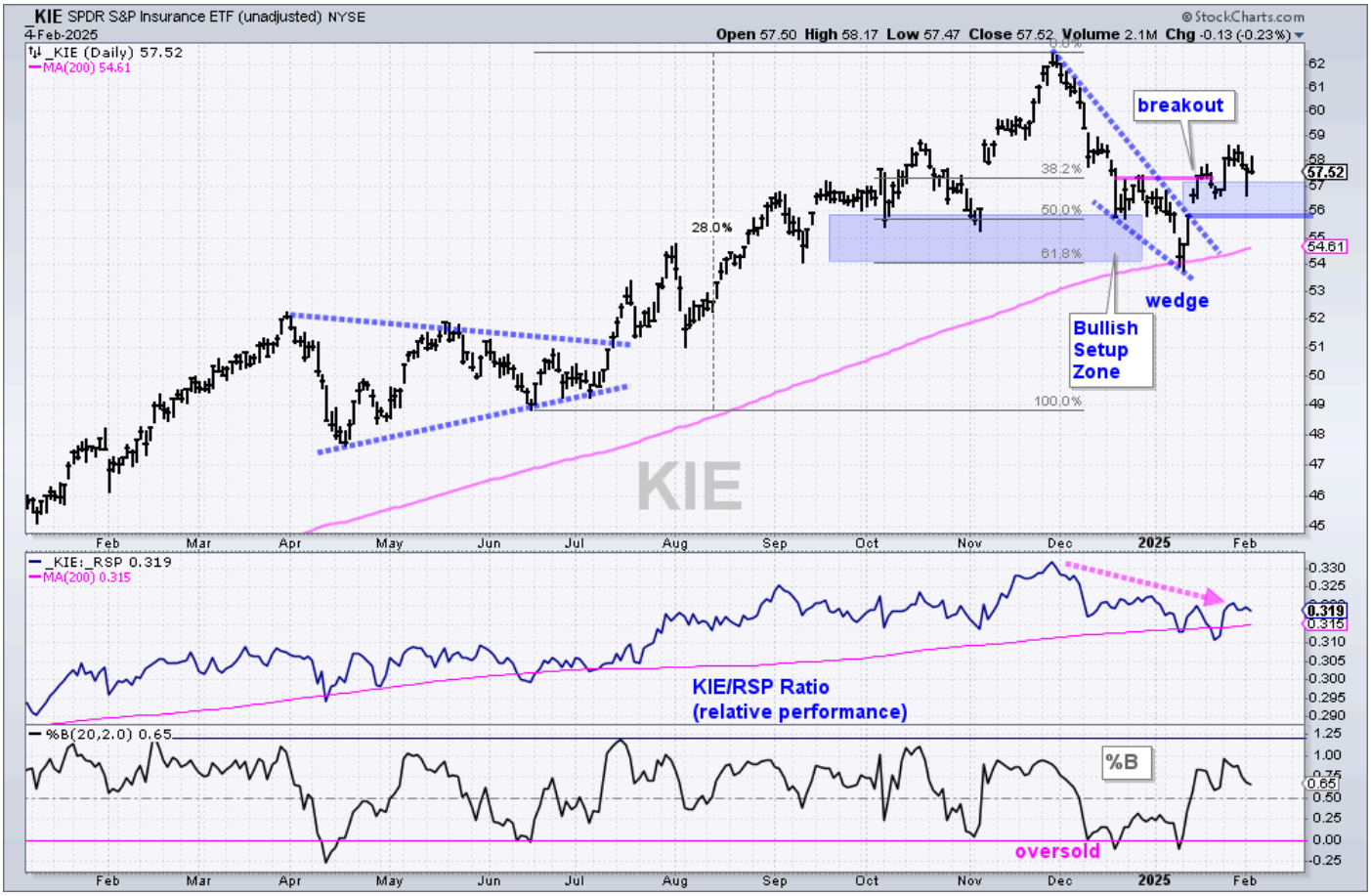
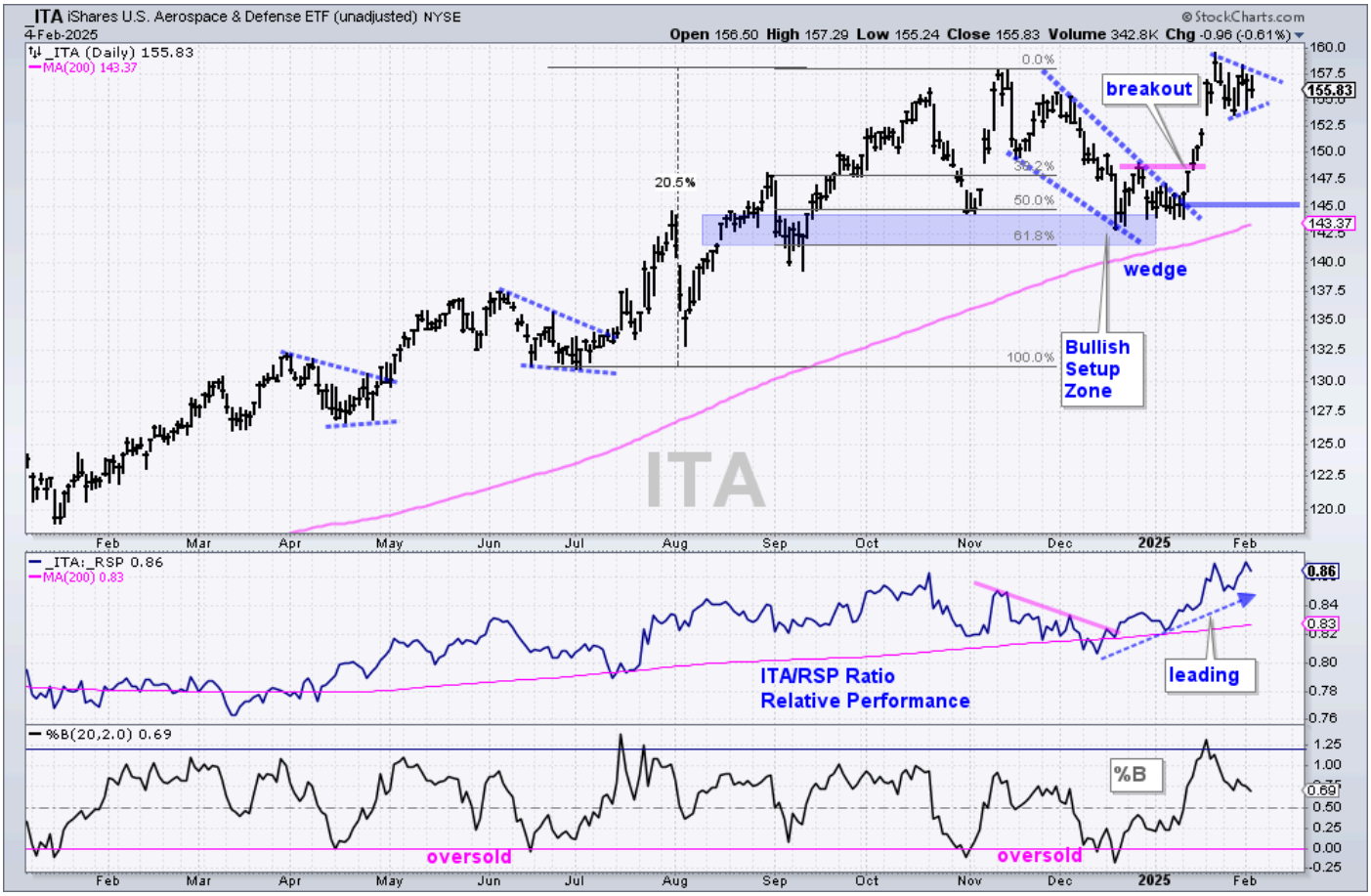


2025-01-21: KIE Breaks Wedge Resistance with Gap-Surge // KIE formed a falling wedge with the pullback to the 54 area and broke out with a gap-surge above 57. Re-evaluation support is set at 54.5.

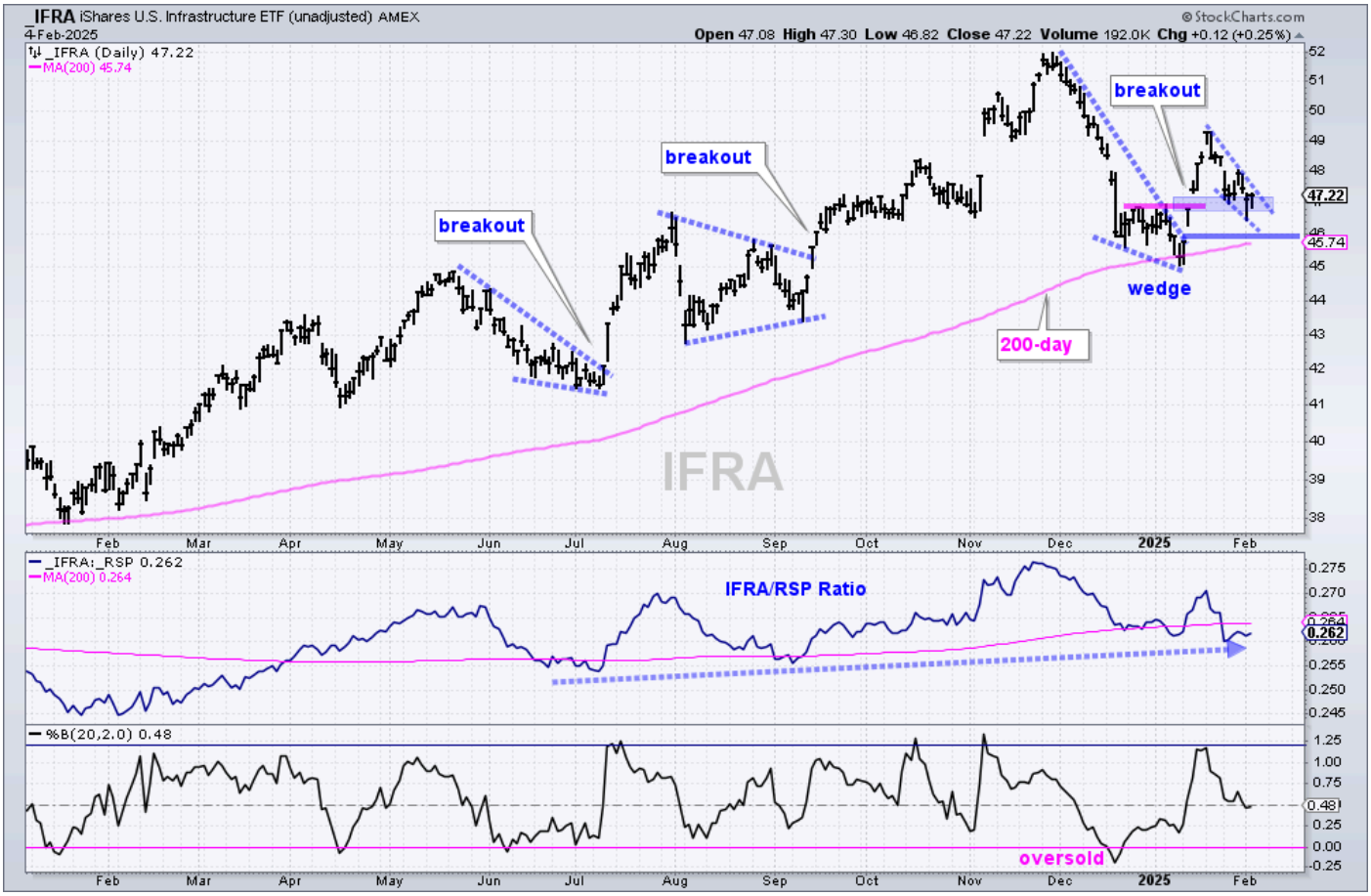
3040 IN AeroDefense ITA



2025-02-04: ITA Leads with New High // The Aerospace & Defense ETF (ITA) is one of the strongest as it recorded a new 52-week high in late January. The middle window shows the ITA/RSP ratio hitting a new high in early February, which means ITA is leading the broader market. After surging to news high, ITA consolidated with a pennant taking shape. This is a short-term bullish continuation pattern and a breakout would be bullish. I am keeping re-evaluation support at 145 for now.

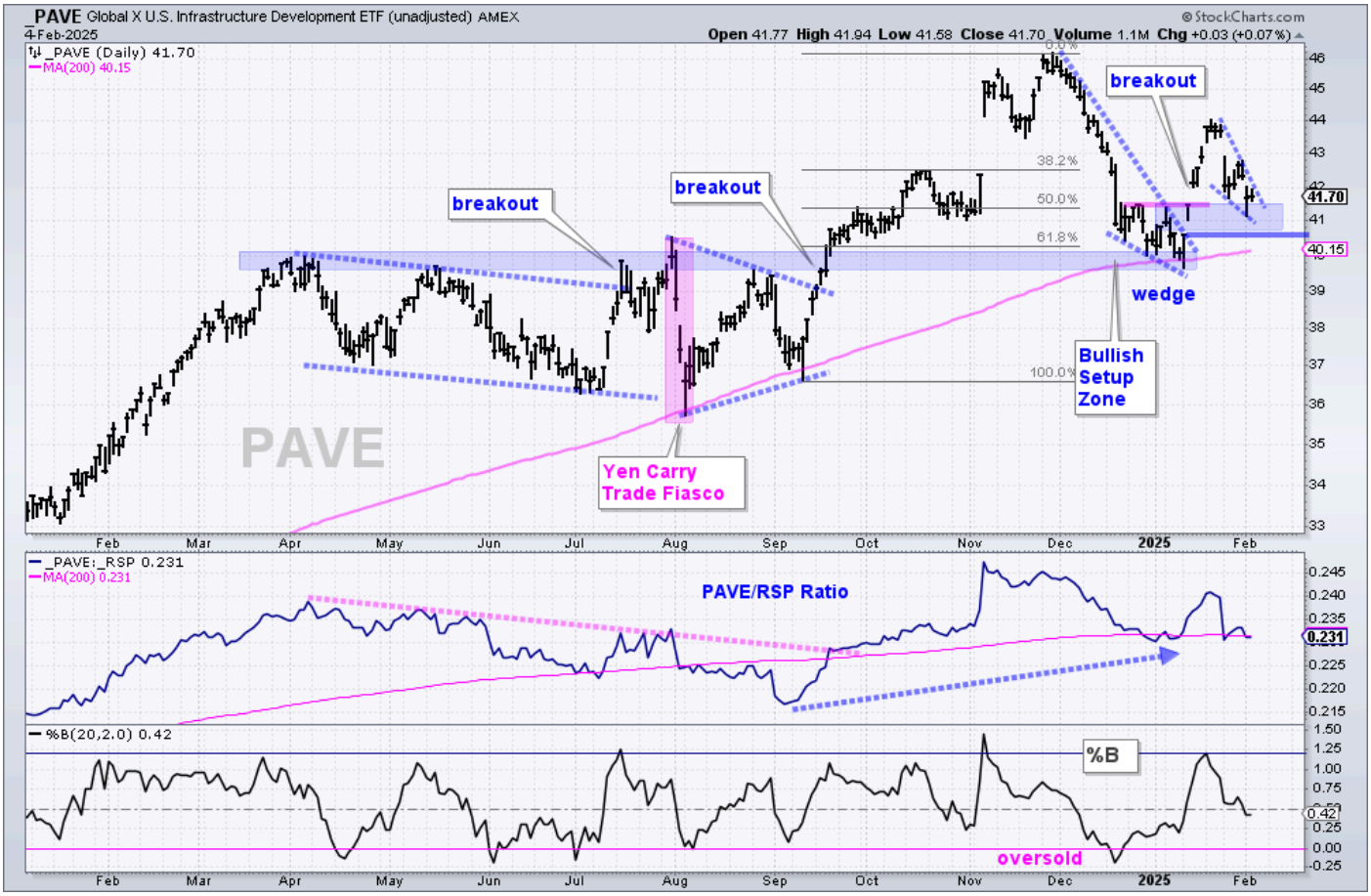
Prior analysis from 2025-01-14: ITA shows relative strength as a bullish wedge takes shape. First and foremost, the long-term trend is up because ITA hit a new high in November and price is above the rising 200-day SMA. The ETF fell from mid November to December and this is deemed a correction within the bigger uptrend. ITA hit the Bullish Setup Zone in late December and firmed into January. I am marking resistance at 148 and a breakout here would reverse the short-term downswing. The middle window shows the price-relative (ITA/RSP ratio) turning up the last few weeks as ITA shows relative strength again.

3040 IN Infrastructure INFR



2025-02-04: IFRA Falls back after Breakout Surge // The Infrastructure ETF (IFRA) reversed off the rising 200-day SMA and broke wedge resistance with a surge in mid January. IFRA followed through with further strength above 49 and then fell back to the breakout zone, which turns first support. This is an area to watch for firming and a short-term reversal. A small falling wedge formed and a breakout at 48 would be short-term bullish. Overall, re-evaluation support is set at 46 and a close below this level would negate the wedge breakout.

3040 IN Infrastructure PAVE



2025-02-04: PAVE Falls back after Breakout Surge // The Global Infrastructure ETF (PAVE) reversed off the rising 200-day SMA and broke wedge resistance with a surge in mid January. PAVE followed through with further strength to 44 and then fell back to the breakout zone, which turns first support. This is an area to watch for firming and a short-term reversal. A small falling wedge formed and a breakout at 43 would be short-term bullish. Overall, re-evaluation support is set at 40.50 and a close below this level would negate the wedge breakout.

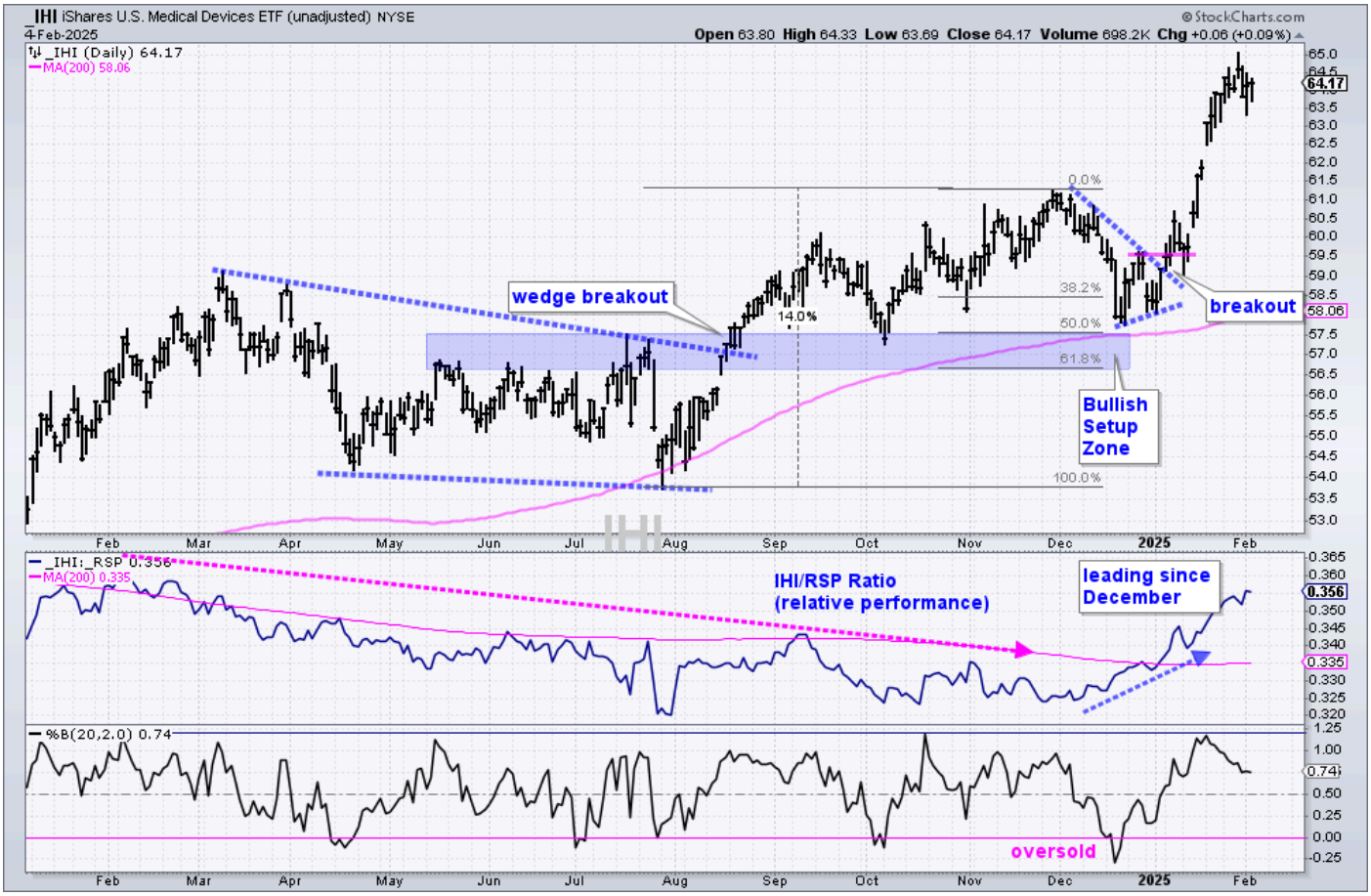
3060 HC Biotech IBB

2025-01-29: IBB Breaks Wedge Resistance // The Biotech ETF (IBB) is making some waves with a surge and breakout in mid January. Overall, a falling wedge formed in November-December and IBB managed to hold above the April low. This means the falling wedge could be a deep correction after the new high in mid September. IBB firmed in the 132 area from mid December to mid January and broke the early January high with a surge above 138. This move also broke the upper line of the falling wedge. I view this as the early signal for a trend reversal and will mark re-evaluation support at 132. The middle window shows the price-relative flattening out the last two months and a break above the pink line would show a return to relative strength.

3060 HC Biotech XBI

2025-01-29: XBI Forms Deep Falling Wedge and Underperforms // The Biotech SPDR (XBI) chart is similar to IBB, but XBI is underperforming IBB because it forged a lower low in mid January. A falling wedge is taking shape with key resistance set at 95. A breakout here would reverse the falling wedge downtrend.

3060 HC Medical Devices IHI



2025-01-20: IHI Leads with Strong Follow Through // IHI followed through on the early January breakout and tagged a new high this week. Not many stock-related ETFs are trading at new highs and this makes IHI a clear leader.

Prior analysis from 2025-01-09: The chart above shows the Medical Devices ETF (IHI) with a pennant breakout and continued strength the last two days. IHI is also leading since December as the price-relative moved above its 200-day SMA this year.

3085 EN MLP AMLP

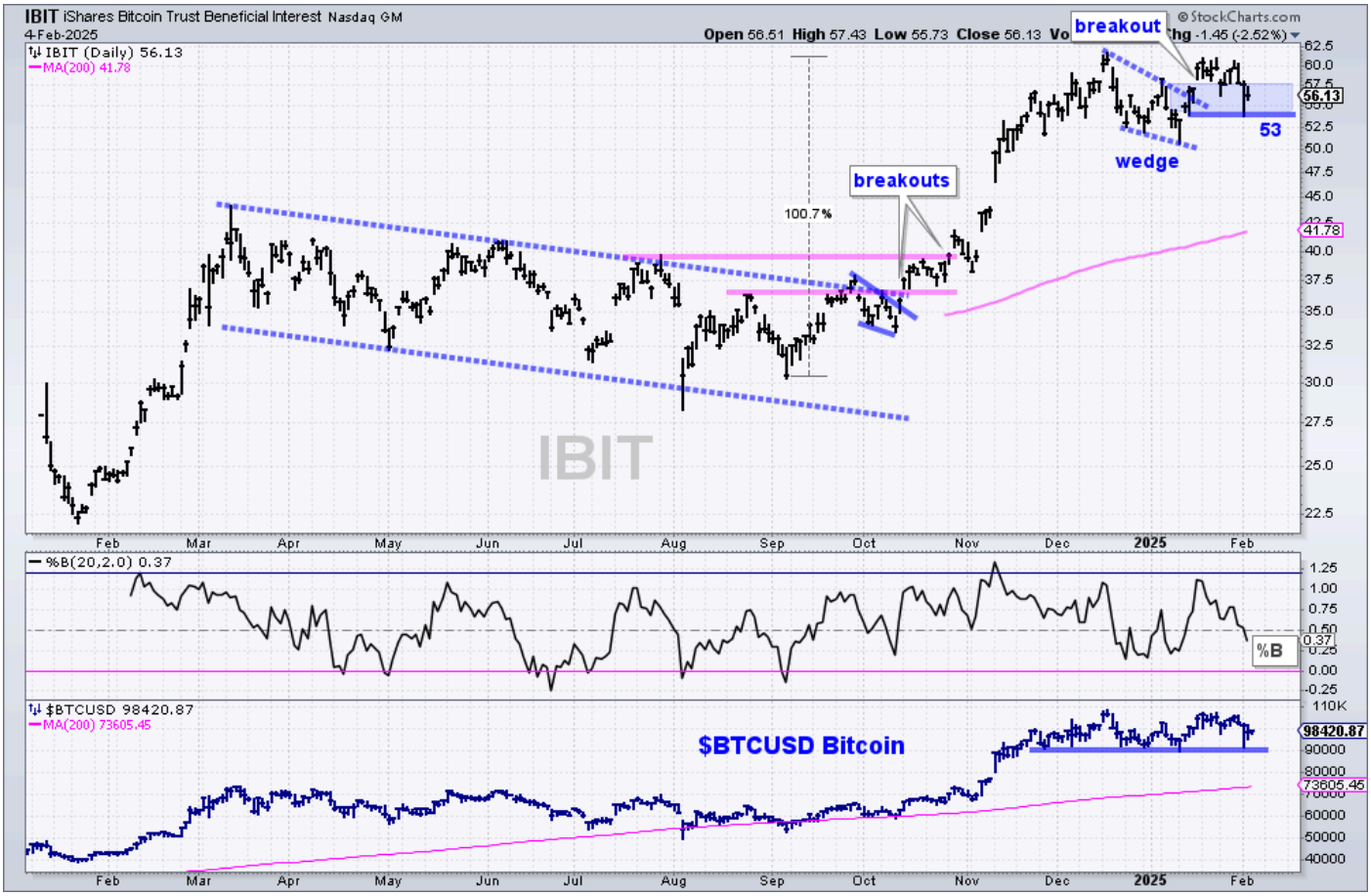
2025-01-20: AMLP Leads with Strong Follow Through // AMLP followed through on the late December breakout and hit a new high. In contrast to Energy SPDR (XLE), AMLP was in an uptrend throughout 2024 and the decline in December was deemed a pullback within this uptrend. AMLP is a clear leader with a new high.

Prior analysis from 2025-01-09: The chart above shows the MLP ETF (AMLP) with a rather sharp pullback in December and a channel breakout in late December. AMLP extended higher in January and the AMLP/RSP ratio moved above its 200-day SMA (relative strength).

5020 PM Gold GLD

2025-02-04: GLD Extends on Breakout and Hits New High // There is no change for the trend, dominant pattern or support level for the Gold SPDR (GLD). GLD broke triangle resistance on January 10th and extended higher the last few weeks. Overall, GLD is in a long-term uptrend and the triangle was a consolidation within this uptrend. This makes it a bullish continuation pattern with the breakout signaling a continuation of the long-term uptrend. I am marking re-evaluation support at 240. Instead of showing GLD relative to the S&P 500 EW ETF (RSP), I am showing it relative to the WisdomTree Continuous Commodity ETF (GCC), which is an equal weight commodity ETF. This ratio turned up the last few weeks as gold started outperforming the average commodity.

7000 CY BitCoin IBIT



2025-02-04: IBIT Breaks Pennant Line and Holds Breakout Zone // The Bitcoin ETF (IBIT) remains within a long-term uptrend. Short-term, IBIT formed a small wedge and broke out with a surge in mid January. This breakout zone turns into first support and this zone is largely holding. IBIT dipped below 55 with a spike lower on Monday, but closed strong and this reaffirms support. A close below 53 would negate the wedge breakout. As with all charts in long-term uptrend, a negated short-term pattern does not affect the long-term uptrend. It simply means that short-term setup/breakout failed. It is then time to wait for the next bullish setup to emerge.

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