Rock you like a Hurricane : S&P Remix

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Financial Security in the face of climate change



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Core Hypothesis

If there is a natural disaster, such as a hurricane, the US equity market will show a greater loss in performance compared to the same time period with no hurricane present.

Questions

- Do hurricanes have an impact on US equity daily returns?
- ❖ How does the stock market typically perform ahead of a hurricane?
- ❖ How does the stock market typically perform following a hurricane?
- ❖ Is there a trend between rising/lowering returns and the scale of the hurricane?
- **Solution** Is there a different reaction between sectors based on the hit of the hurricane?

Data Needed

Equity Index Returns

The S&P Composite 1500® - Combines three leading indices, the S&P 500®, the S&P MidCap 400®, and the S&P SmallCap 600® to cover approximately 90% of the U.S. market capitalization.

Source: S&P Dow Jones Indices – Data pulled from source through FactSet

Hurricane Data - 2014 through 2018

National Hurricane Center https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/

Wikipedia

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2018 Atlantic hurricane season https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2017 Atlantic hurricane season https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2016 Atlantic hurricane season https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2014 Atlantic hurricane season

Data Sources

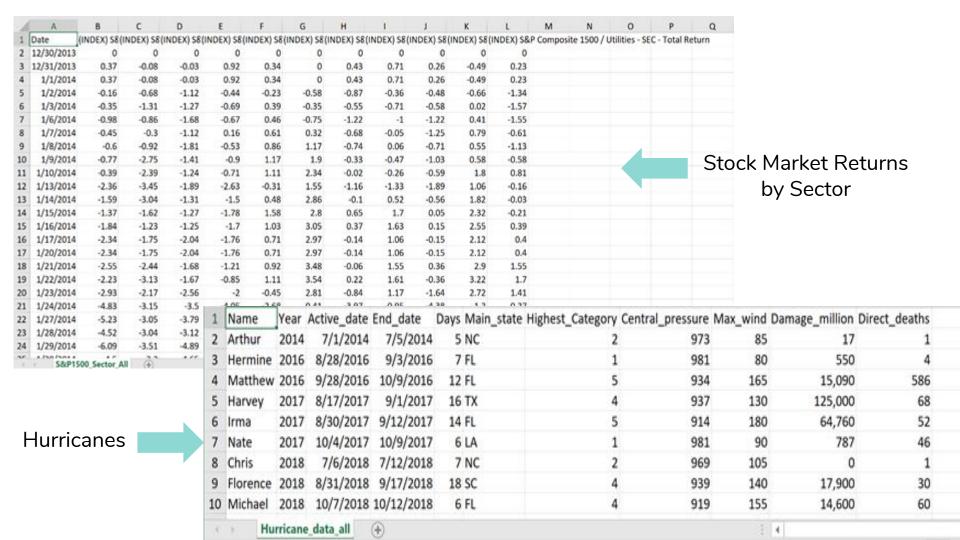
- S&P1500_Sector_All
- **Energy**
- Info_Technology
- Real_Estate
- **Utilities**
- Consumer_Staples
- Health_Care
- Consumer_Discretionary
- **■**a Financials
- Materials
- Industrials
- Communication_Services
- Hurricane_data_all





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Bringing S&P1500 csv into jupyter notebook

After importing the S&P1500 csv file, the intent was to parse the current headers into a more user friendly naming convention. Using .head() to view the headers and top 5 rows, we noticed two columns were formatted slightly different from the rest.

Load S&P file sp1500 = "resources/S&P1500_Sector_All.csv" sp1500 = pd.read csv(sp1500)# Display the data table for preview sp1500.head()

	Date	(INDEX) S&P Composite 1500 / Consumer Discretionary - SEC - Total Return	(INDEX) S&P Composite 1500 / Communication Services SEC - Total Return	(INDEX) S&P Composite 1500 / Consumer Staples - SEC - Total Return	(INDEX) S&P Composite 1500 / Energy - SEC - Total Return	(INDEX) S&P Composite 1500 / Financials - SEC - Total Return	(INDEX) S&P Composite 1500 / Health Care - SEC - Total Return	(INDEX) S&P Composite 1500 / Industrials - SEC - Total Return	(INDEX) S&P Composite 1500 / Information Technology - SEC - Total Return	(INDEX) S&P Composite 1500 / Materials - SEC - Total Return	(INDEX) S&P Composite 1500 Real Estate - SEC - Total Return	(INDEX) S&P Composite 1500 / Utilities - SEC - Total
0	12/30/2013	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	Th	e Com
1	12/31/2013	0.37	-0.08	-0.03	0.92	0.34	0.00	0.43	0.71	0.26		CCOIII
2	1/1/2014	0.37	-0.08	-0.03	0.92	0.34	0.00	0.43	0.71	0.26	col	lumn v
3	1/2/2014	-0.16	-0.68	-1.12	-0.44	-0.23	-0.58	-0.87	-0.36	-0.48	ho:	twoon

The Communications services column was missing a space between the dash and "SEC" and the Real Estate column was missing a slash after 1500.



For the missing space, we replaced all instances of "-SEC" with "-SEC" (only 1), using the replace command. For the missing "/", we used the same replace command, but instead of adding a "/" to the Real Estate column, we deleted it from all other columns so we wouldn't have to deal with it later (first line of code below).

```
# Fix columns with slightly different formatting, to make all uniform (i.e., Communication Services and Real Estate cols)
sp1500.columns = sp1500.columns.str.replace('-SEC','- SEC').str.replace('1500 /','1500')

# Delete all special characters by replacing with empty string
sp1500.columns = sp1500.columns.str.replace(r'(','').str.replace(r')','')
```

After some research, we discovered special characters can be tricky when trying to parse a field, so we added the second line of code above which replaced the open and close parentheses with blanks.

Bringing S&P1500 csv into jupyter notebook

To remove all remaining unwanted text from the column headers (keeping sector only), we again used the replace command to delete the extra words and spaces (first two lines of code below). We also decided that it was easier to work with column headers that don't contain any spaces, so in the third line of code below we inserted an underscore to replace any spaces.

```
# Remove remaining text we don't want
sp1500.columns = sp1500.columns.str.replace('INDEX S&P Composite 1500 ','').str.replace(' - SEC - Total Return ','')
sp1500.columns = sp1500.columns.str.replace(' ','') # replaces 3 back to back spaces left over after removing other text

# Replace space with underscore for ease of referencing column later on
sp1500.columns = sp1500.columns.str.replace(' ','_')

# Reformat date column, so we can filter on it later
sp1500['Date'] = pd.to_datetime(sp1500['Date'])

# Display the data table to see new column headers
sp1500.head()
```

Date Consumer Discretionary Communication Services Consumer Staples Energy Financials Health Care Industrials Information Technology Materials

Finally, we reformatted the date column so that we could use it later on for charting and it would be recognized as a date in formulas, by using the pandas library command to_datetime (4th line of code above)

Bringing hurricane csv into jupyter notebook

We created a CSV file from scratch, so we formatted the columns before bringing it in. Once we imported the data, we again formatted the two date columns using pandas command to_datetime, so we could use them later on in our analysis

```
# Load Hurricane data
hurricanes = "resources/Hurricane_data_all.csv"
hurricanes = pd.read_csv(hurricanes)

# Reformat date columns, so we can use them later as part of formula
hurricanes['Active_date'] = pd.to_datetime(hurricanes['Active_date'])
hurricanes['End_date'] = pd.to_datetime(hurricanes['End_date'])

# Display the data table for preview
hurricanes.head(20)
```

	1	Name	Year	Active_date	End_date	Days	Main_state	Highest_Category	Central_pressure	Max_wind	Damage_million	Direct_deaths
(0 /	Arthur	2014	2014-07-01	2014-07-05	5	NC	2	973	85	17	1
	1 He	rmine	2016	2016-08-28	2016-09-03	7	FL	1	981	80	550	4



```
# Hermine
#calculate 21 days before Active date and 21 days after End date to set as x-axis range
hurricanes her= hurricanes.set index('Name')
start date hermine = hurricanes her.loc["Hermine", "Active date"]
end date hermine = hurricanes her.loc["Hermine", "End date"]
#set 3 week delta for x min and max
x min herm= start date hermine - timedelta(days=21)
x min herm = x min herm.strftime(\frac{%m}{%d}
x max herm= end date hermine + timedelta(days=21)
x \max herm = x \max herm.strftime('%m/%d/%Y')
```

Timedelta automatically found the date 21 days before and after the date the hurricane hit.

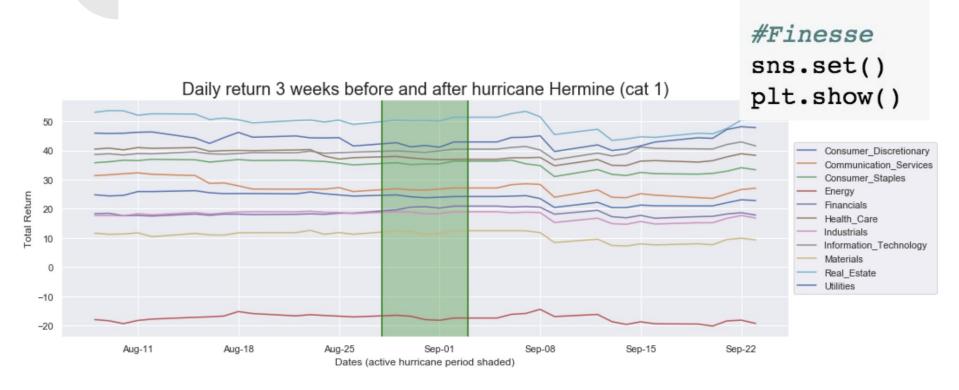
Strfttime formatted the date in a more readable format for the graphs

Shading the hurricane time period

```
# Plot 11 sectors
fig = plt.figure()
ax = plt.axes()
for x in range(1, 12):
    plt.plot(hurricane hermine['Date'], hurricane hermine.iloc[:,x])
                                                                                 period
# Shade area representing Hurricane Hermine
x Fmt = DateFormatter("%b-%d")
plt.axvline(start date hermine, color='green')
plt.axvline(end date hermine, color='green')
ax.xaxis.set major formatter(x Fmt)
ax.axvspan(start date hermine, end date hermine, alpha=0.3, color='green')
plt.ylabel('Total Return')
plt.xlabel('Dates (active hurricane period shaded)')
plt.title('Daily return 3 weeks before and after hurricane Hermine (cat 1)', fontsize = 20)
plt.legend(loc='center left', bbox to anchor=(1.0, 0.5))
plt.rcParams["figure.figsize"] = (15,5)
```

Setting plt.axvline for each hurricane's start and end date visualized when the hurricane occured within the 21 day period

Using Seaborne to style the graph



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To analyze if there was an effect on the stock market when a hurricane occurs, we ran a t-test for each hurricane comparing the means of the same timeframe (one from the actual hurricane, and the other mean from the same period in 2015, as a control since no 2015 hurricanes). Then a 2 independent sample t-test was conducted to determine if the two means were statistically significant from each other.

Hurricane Arthur, category 2

```
# Arthur ttest data
hurricane_arthur_ttest = sp1500[(sp1500['Date']>= x_min_art)& (sp1500['Date'] <= x_max_art)]

# Add avg all sectors to 2015 control for arthur
sp1500_arthur['Avg All Sectors'] = sp1500_arthur.mean(axis=1)

# run t-test
(ttest, p) = scipy.stats.ttest_ind(hurricane_arthur_ttest['Avg All Sectors'], sp1500_arthur['Avg All Sectors'])

if p < 0.05:
    print("The differences are significant.", p)
else:
    print("The differences between are due to chance.", p)</pre>
```

The differences are significant. 1.6636427012809893e-37

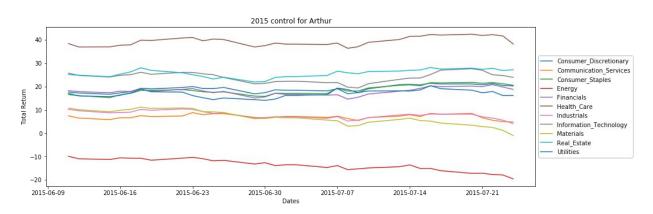
T-test results

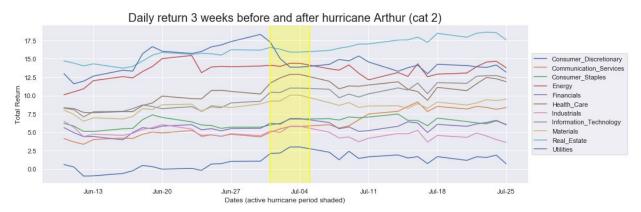
Measuring hurricanes against the same time period in 2015, our t-test results found all were significant!

The following slides help visualize the data used for each t-test. Shade areas represent the actual hurricane (green - cat 1, yellow cat 2, orange cat 4, red cat 5)

Hurricane	Category	P value
Matthew (2016)	5	5.74E-39
Irma (2017)	5	2.79E-62
Harvey (2017)	4	2.02E-61
Florence (2018)	4	2.09E-86
Michael (2018)	4	9.65E-51
Arthur (2014)	2	1.66E-37
Chris (2018)	2	1.09E-76
Hermine (2016)	1	1.86E-24
Nate (2017)	1	3.99E-59

2014 Hurricane Arthur

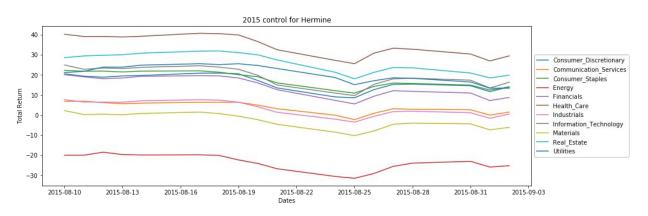


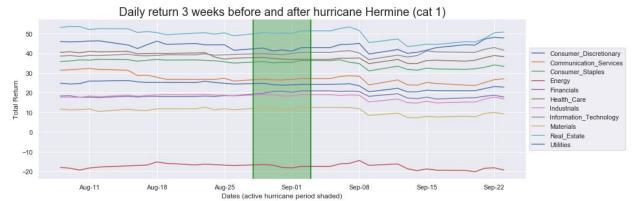




T-Test p-value= 1.6636427012809893e-37

2016 Hurricane Hermine

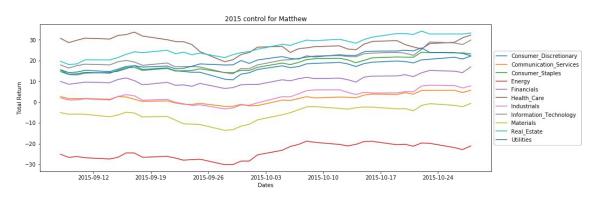


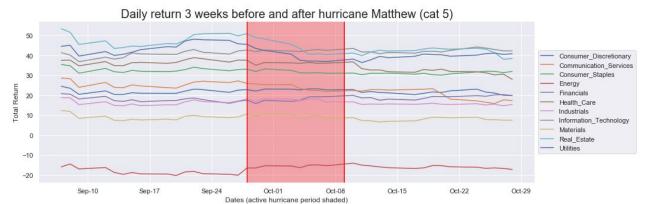




T-Test p-value= 1.8580317551628005e-24

2016 Hurricane Matthew

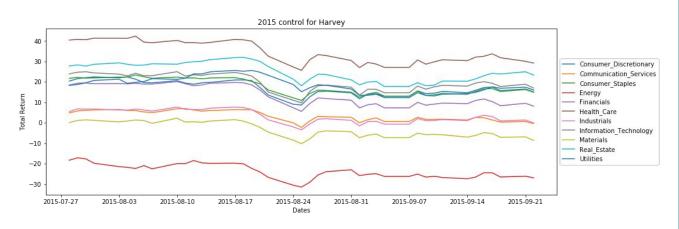


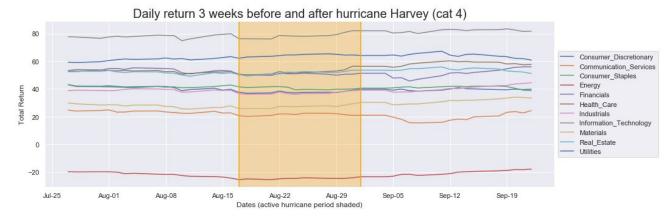




T-Test p-value= 5.73613043667607e-39

2017 Hurricane Harvey

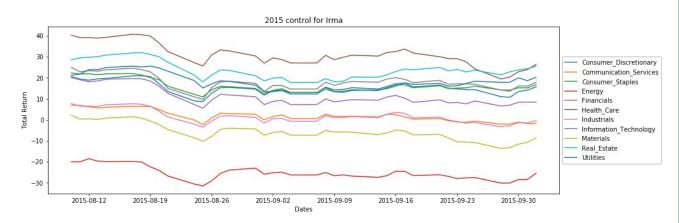


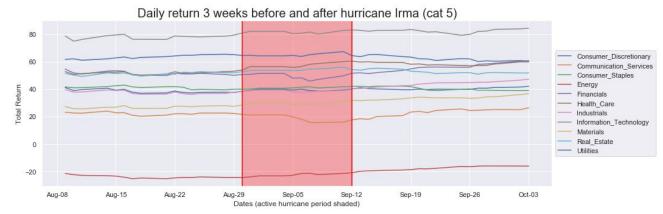




T-Test p-value= 2.0237412514233564e-61

2017 Hurricane Irma

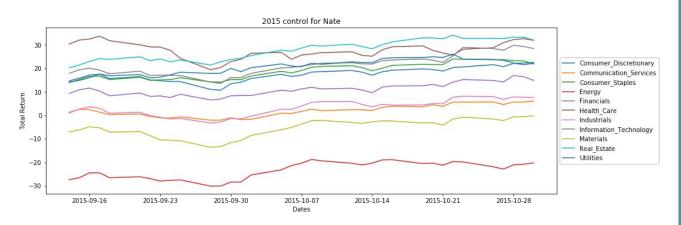


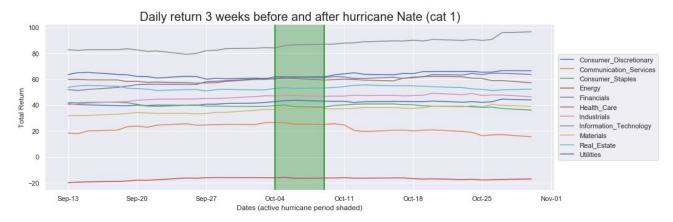




T-Test p-value= 2.7867516695780473e-62

2017 Hurricane Nate

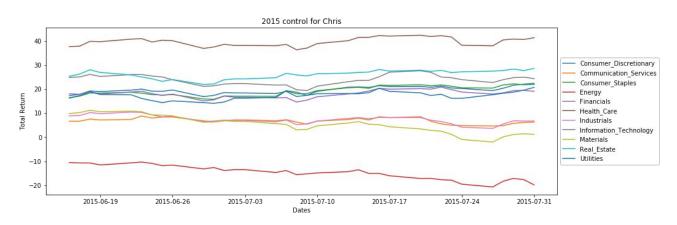


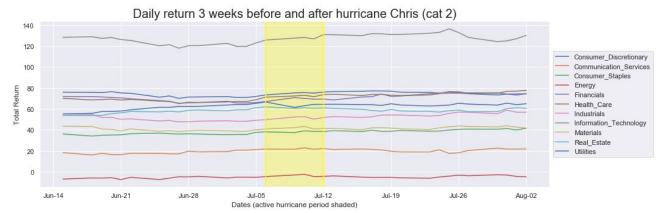




T-Test p-value= 3.987174173771928e-59

2018 Hurricane Chris

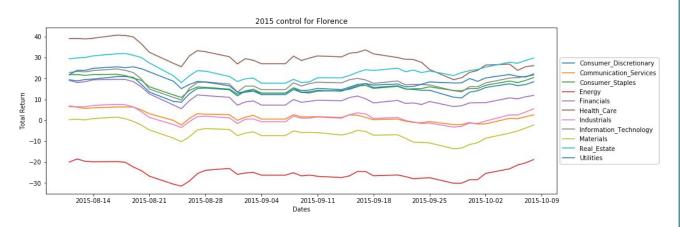


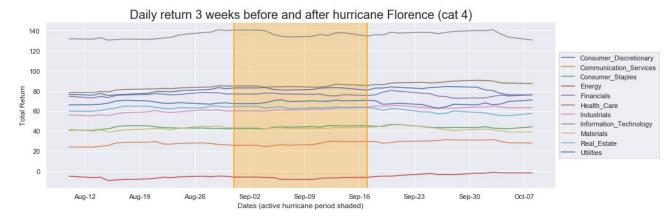




T-Test p-value= 1.0945510935425884e-76

2018 Hurricane Florence

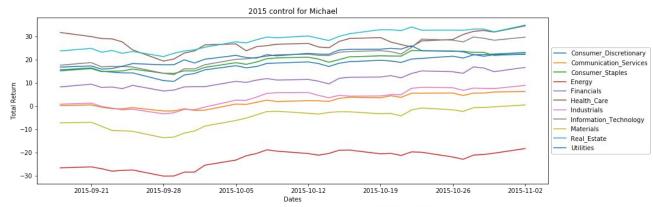


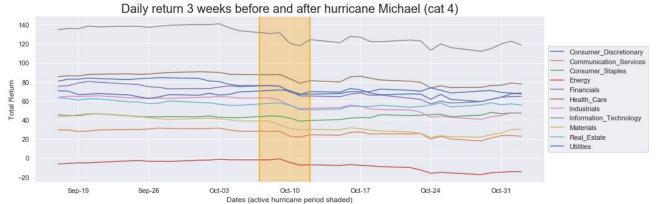




TT-Test p-value= 2.09232889660908e-86

2018 Hurricane Michael







T-Test p-value= 9.653905778241775e-51

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Discussion

- We expected to find that there would be a statistically significant difference between the control year and the hurricane year.
- We were predicting that the more extreme hurricanes would be more likely to have a statistically significant difference however just the fear of an impending hurricane has an affect on the market.
- The changes in the daily returns for duration of all 9 hurricanes we analyzed were found to be statistically significant.
- The S&P 1500 had a statistically significant dip in its daily returns for the specified duration when the hurricanes were active, therefore we fail to reject the null hypothesis.

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Difficulties encountered:

- 1. with the government shut down weather data had to be sourced from private resources.
- 2. determining which, large/mid/small cap, index would be appropriate to focus.
- 3. limited number of hurricanes every year.
- 4. The multi variability of factors affecting the markets makes it difficult to pin point hurricanes as being the sole cause for the drop

If we had two more weeks:

- 1. we would evaluate additional avenues such as catastrophe bonds and drill down on sectors such as insurance to determine calculate the effect hurricanes have on them.
- 2. we could generate a model which would take into account other markets in order to better predict the market loss based on additional hurricane data and other weather anomalies.