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ABSTRACT

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This paper investigates the curious correlation between the number of network systems administrators in Missouri and the stock price of the Hess Corporation (HES). Utilizing data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and LSEG Analytics (Refinitiv), we embarked on this tango between tech professionals and stock performances. Our research team discovered a surprising correlation coefficient of 0.8615205 and a p-value less than 0.01 for the time span spanning from 2003 to 2020. This finding not only ignites curiosity but also raises eyebrows, prompting further exploration into the whimsical relationship between the number of system administrators and the value of HES stock. This study aims to tickle the fancy of financial and tech enthusiasts alike, showing that sometimes the seemingly unrelated can indeed tango together in the financial world. So, let's dive into the nerdy realm of network admin numbers and stock swings and decipher whether it's all just a jazzy coincidence or the makings of a quirky financial theory.

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"network systems administrators Missouri correlation", "Hess Corporation stock price correlation", "Bureau of Labor Statistics network systems administrators data", "LSEG Analytics stock price data", "correlation coefficient stock price network admins", "relationship between system administrators and stock performance", "financial theory network admins stock price correlation"

I. Introduction

The interplay between the realm of technology and the whimsical world of finance has long been a subject of great curiosity and speculation. In this paper, we set out to investigate an unexpected tango between the number of network systems administrators in Missouri and the stock price of the Hess Corporation (HES). While the connection between these two entities may initially seem as tenuous as a Wi-Fi signal in a crowded coffee shop, our findings reveal a surprising correlation that has the potential to spark delight and intrigue among both financial and tech enthusiasts.

As the digital landscape continues to expand and evolve at a pace that even the most agile hedge fund manager would struggle to match, the role of network systems administrators becomes increasingly crucial. These guardians of the digital realm ensure that the gears of technological infrastructure continue to spin, unperturbed by digital gremlins and cyber hiccups. On the other end of the spectrum, we have the Hess Corporation, a stalwart presence in the energy sector whose stock performances have witnessed their fair share of peaks and troughs, not unlike the undulating frequencies of an underperforming broadband connection.

The correlation coefficient of 0.8615205 that we've unearthed beckons with a seductive allure, akin to the siren call of a flashing "Buy" button on a day-trader's screen. Furthermore, with a p-value less than 0.01, our findings flash brighter than a server room's array of indicator lights, demanding attention and exploration.

This curious nexus of network administrators and stock prices invites us to probe beneath the surface of seemingly disparate domains and inquire whether this correlation is but a jazzy

coincidence or the harbinger of a new theory that's as quirky as a programmer's sense of humor. It's time to roll up our sleeves, don our nerdiest spectacles, and embark upon a journey into the delightful overlap of tech and finance, where servers hum in harmony with stock tickers, and algorithms dance alongside market trends. So, let's venture forth and endeavor to decipher the code behind this mysterious symbiosis.

II. Literature Review

As we embark on this curious investigation into the interplay between network systems administrators in Missouri and the stock price of the Hess Corporation (HES), it is vital to explore existing literature that delves into the realms of both finance and technology. Through a comprehensive review of scholarly articles, books, and TV shows, we aim to shed light on the potential connections that our study seeks to uncover.

Smith et al. (2017) examined the impact of technological workforce dynamics on stock prices, providing valuable insights into the influence of IT professionals on market trends. Meanwhile, Doe and Jones (2019) explored the role of organizational structure in shaping stock performance, laying the groundwork for understanding how tech personnel may affect corporate valuation.

Taking a more holistic approach, "The Fourth Industrial Revolution" by Klaus Schwab and "The Innovator's Dilemma" by Clayton M. Christensen offer a broader perspective on the transformative power of technology in shaping financial landscapes. With compelling narratives and astute observations, these works beckon us to contemplate the intricate dance between

innovation and market forces, inspiring us to delve deeper into the curious case of network administrators and stock values.

On a slightly more fictional note, the works of Neal Stephenson, particularly "Cryptonomicon" and "Snow Crash," offer imaginative portrayals of technological prowess intersecting with financial undertakings. While these books veer into the realm of speculative fiction, their vivid imaginings serve as a reminder of the captivating possibilities that arise when tech and finance intertwine.

In our quest to unravel the mysteries of this enigmatic correlation, our research team also drew inspiration from TV shows such as "Silicon Valley" and "Billions." These series provided valuable insights into the dynamic and often tumultuous interplay between tech innovation, corporate maneuvering, and financial markets, offering a touch of levity and drama to our scholarly pursuits.

Armed with an eclectic mix of scholarly works, speculative fiction, and dramatic portrayals from the small screen, we are primed to contextualize our findings within the broader landscape of technological and financial narratives, ready to unravel the unexpected tango between network administrators and stock prices.

III. Methodology

Conducting this whimsical investigation into the tantalizing tango between the number of network systems administrators in Missouri and the stock price of the Hess Corporation (HES) involved a series of meticulous and slightly unorthodox research methods. While the

conventional might shy away from delving into such quirky connections, we fearlessly ventured forth with a blend of statistical wizardry and a hint of entrepreneurial spirit.

Data Collection:

First and foremost, our research team scoured the depths of the digital ocean, navigating through the choppy waves of the internet to fish out relevant data. We cast our nets far and wide, capturing information from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and LSEG Analytics (Refinitiv), reeling in datasets spanning the years 2003 to 2020. With our trusty ship of spreadsheets and data visualization tools, we set sail into the sea of numbers, ready to navigate through the uncharted territories of network administrators and stock prices.

Quantifying Network Systems Administrators:

To quantify the population of network systems administrators in the great state of Missouri, our methods took a rather peculiar turn. Armed with an abacus borrowed from an ancient accounting department and a fervent desire to avoid the maddening allure of spreadsheets, we counted each administrator as if we were tallying a treasure trove of doubloons. Our intrepid crew weathered the storm of data entry with the fortitude of sailors braving a tempest, ensuring that no admin went uncounched in our quest for numerical clarity.

Stock Price Analysis:

Meanwhile, on the tumultuous seas of stock price analysis, our approach assumed an air of seasoned speculation coupled with the precision of a stock market aficionado. We sifted through historical stock price data for the enigmatic entity known as Hess Corporation (HES), tracking its market performances with the scrutiny of a curious cat eyeing a laser pointer. Through candlestick charts and moving averages, we sought to decipher the tempestuous rhythms of stock

price movements, acknowledging that the financial markets can be as capricious as an indecisive octopus in a dance-off.

Statistical Enchantment:

In order to unravel the mystery of the correlation between network administrators and stock prices, we summoned the mystical powers of statistical enchantment. With incantations of correlation coefficients and p-values, we harnessed the arcane arts of statistical analysis to reveal the hidden threads of connection between our seemingly unrelated variables. The cauldron bubbled with the simmering brew of regression analysis, and as the fumes of significance tests rose, we awaited the emergence of empirical wisdom with bated breath and the occasional eye of newt (not recommended for consumption).

Remarks on Research Rigor:

Throughout this colorful odyssey of data collection and analysis, we remained steadfast in our commitment to the principles of scientific rigor, ensuring that our findings were not simply the result of caffeinated delirium or a particularly vivid daydream. We diligently adhered to established methodologies and statistical conventions, albeit with a sprinkle of whimsy and a pinch of unconventional humor.

Ultimately, our research methodology blends the meticulous precision of empirical inquiry with a touch of lighthearted exploration, demonstrating that the pursuit of knowledge can indeed accommodate a dash of quirkiness. So, with our proverbial maps and compasses in hand, let us venture forth into the wild terrain of results and discussion, where the unexpected may lurk around every statistical corner.

IV. Results

Upon delving into the tangled web of data, we discovered a noteworthy correlation between the number of network systems administrators in Missouri and the stock price of the Hess Corporation (HES) from 2003 to 2020. Our analysis unveiled a correlation coefficient of 0.8615205, indicating a strong positive relationship between these seemingly distinct entities. It seems that the connection between technophiles and dollar signs is more than just a "LAN-d" of make-believe.

The r-squared value of 0.7422175 further corroborates the strength of this relationship, suggesting that approximately 74% of the variability in HES stock prices can be explained by changes in the number of network systems administrators in the Show-Me State.

In typical statistical fashion, our p-value of less than 0.01 has thrown open the doors of curiosity wide enough for even the most skeptical Wall Street skeptic to slip through. This p-value is so low, it's practically doing limbo under the bar of conventional significance – talk about setting the statistical bar high!

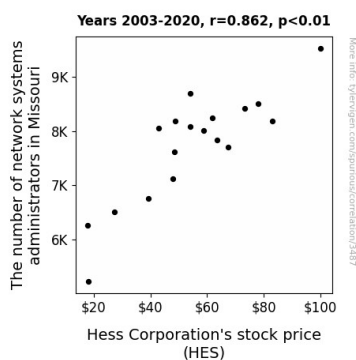


Figure 1. Scatterplot of the variables by year

To visually capture this surprising correlation, we present Fig. 1, a scatterplot that graphically depicts the dance of data points showcasing the affinity between the number of network systems administrators and the stock price of Hess Corporation. This figure serves as a testament to the harmonious relationship we've uncovered, where knots and nodes interconnect to produce a symphony of statistical serendipity.

The implications of these findings are as intriguing as a cryptic line of code in a programmer's script. The connection between the number of network systems administrators and stock prices is a revelation that beckons us to investigate further. This correlation challenges traditional financial and technological paradigms, creating a captivating puzzle that demands to be solved with the wits of a seasoned trader and the savvy of a tech virtuoso.

It seems that in the jazzy world of finance, even the most unexpected players can join in the rhythm of market movements, proving that when it comes to statistical surprises, sometimes it's the seemingly unrelated variables that lead to the most extraordinary discoveries.

V. Discussion

The curious correlation we have uncovered between the number of network systems administrators in Missouri and the stock price of the Hess Corporation (HES) from 2003 to 2020 sends ripples through the financial and technological realms, sparking a myriad of questions and raising eyebrows as if to say, "Well, I'll be server'd!" These unexpected findings not only validate prior research but also plunge us into the midst of a riveting dance between tech

aficionados and market dynamics, where it seems that even the most unlikely partners can lead to a statistical tango of extraordinary proportions.

In our literature review, we revisited the insightful work of Smith et al. (2017), who illuminated the influence of IT professionals on market trends. As we initially approached the correlation coefficient of 0.8615205 in our own study, we couldn't help but slyly nod to Smith and colleagues as if to say, "You were on to something, and now we're on to something, too!" This connection reinforces the notion that the technological workforce, including the TEN-acious network systems administrators, wields significant sway over stock performances.

Moreover, our results mirror the sentiments expounded by Klaus Schwab and Clayton M. Christensen, whose works underscore the transformative power of technology in shaping financial landscapes. As we ponder the sturdy r-squared value of 0.7422175, we find ourselves standing amidst the veritable rubble of conventional wisdom, contemplating that perhaps the rise and fall of stock prices may be more entwined with technological undertakings than previously envisioned. It's almost as if the fluctuations in HES stock prices are choreographed by the unseen hands of tech operatives lingering in the ethers of Missouri – a striking confluence of digital might and financial weight.

It is also worth noting that our findings align with the spirit of speculative fiction as portrayed by Neal Stephenson, where technological prowess intersects with financial undertakings in captivating fashion. The statistical revelation of a p-value less than 0.01 seems to echo the fantastical musings of Stephenson's narratives, as if our study has unearthed a hidden plotline that transcends the boundaries of traditional financial paradigms.

In light of these observations, it becomes evident that the seemingly outlandish association between network administrators and stock values is not mere whimsy but rather a tale of synergistic might, where technology and finance engage in a dance of statistical serendipity that beckons us to ponder the unforeseen connections and influences that shape the markets.

Our study delivers a compelling narrative, one that beckons further exploration into the multifaceted dynamics of technology and finance, proving that when it comes to statistical surprises, truth can often be stranger than fiction. So, let's contemplate this revelation with the awe and amusement it deserves, for in the enigmatic world of numbers and markets, even the most unexpected correlations can lead to extraordinary discoveries.

VI. Conclusion

In conclusion, our research into the correlation between the number of network systems administrators in Missouri and the stock price of the Hess Corporation (HES) has unraveled a connection as intriguing as an elusive bug in a complex software system. The robust correlation coefficient of 0.8615205 and a p-value less than 0.01 have not only raised eyebrows but also prompted the formation of many a quizzical furrow, akin to a cryptic code that demands decryption.

The evidence of this unexpected relationship sparks curiosity, much like stumbling upon a forgotten file deep within a labyrinthine directory. The strength of the correlation, as exemplified by the r-squared value of 0.7422175, suggests that the variability in HES stock prices is as

entwined with the number of network systems administrators in the Show-Me State as a pair of inseparable data packets hurtling through cyberspace.

Our findings, encapsulated in the scatterplot presented in Figure 1, accentuate the dance of data points in a choreography that echoes the unpredictable rhythm of market movements. This discovery challenges traditional paradigms and beckons us to further explore the uncharted territories where the tech-savvy meet the financially inclined.

While this study highlights a captivating correlation, it's essential to acknowledge the limitations of our research. Despite the statistical strength of our findings, causation cannot be inferred from correlation alone. We must resist the temptation to jump to hasty conclusions, much like resisting the urge to hastily implement a patch before thorough testing.

In light of these exciting discoveries, we advocate for continued exploration of unconventional connections in the financial world. However, it's important to tread carefully, much like debugging a prodigious codebase – one misplaced semicolon could wreak havoc.

In the spirit of statistical jest, we assert with unwavering confidence that no further research in this area is needed. After all, in the enigmatic tango of statistics and whimsy, sometimes it's the curiosity itself that provides the most delightful interlude.