Market Update (10/8-10/12)

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Market Performance

Reasons behind sell-off

1. Rising interest rates
   a. 10-year yield > 3.25%

2. Tech stocks caught in supply chain problems

VIX touches highest point since Feb

All three major indexes fell more than 5% this week
Interest Rates

- Benchmark Fed Funds rate raised to 2-2.25% range
- 10-year yield up to 3.25% from 2.82% in late August
- End of August, Yield curve was virtually flat
- Third hike of this year, and one more expected
- Why? What are the consequences?
An inverted yield curve has predicted the past 7 recessions.
Other Information

Inflation: CPI rose 2.2% year over year. 0.1% below analysts’ estimates

Tariffs: China’s exports grew 14.5% year over year in September, generating a trade surplus of $32 billion

Sears: filed for bankruptcy after 125 years of business. Stock plummeted 32%

Activist Action: activist investors have been busy as of late

- Loeb: looking to shake up the board at Campbell Soup
- Peltz: Peltz’s Trian Partners announces a $690 million stake in PPG
- Ackman: announced a $900 million stake in Starbucks
Interview Question

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S&T Interview Question

- Behavioral/ Walk Me Through Resume
- Market Questions
- Stock Pitch
- Brainteaser
  - What is the expected value of a roll of a die?
  - Make me a price on the 8 serial numbers on a $1 bill.
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