IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Final Exam: Wednesday, 28 April 2021 at 9:00 am

- On-site exam ONLY
 - No remote exam
- Digital exam on Examplify
 - 90 minutes long; 36 MCQs
 - Open book/notes
 - NO internet
 - Randomized order
 - NO backward navigation
- A laptop & 2 calculators; NO Excel

Students who are unable to write this final exam on-site <u>must</u> file for <u>special</u> <u>consideration</u> together with valid supporting documents

 NUS Business School's Board of Examiners will decide the appropriate resolutions in line with NUS guidelines

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Exam venues: MPSH 1 & 2

Students will be assigned the venue and seat number by RO in personalized exam time-tables (check EduRec)

Please make plans to arrive <u>early</u> (30 minutes before the start of the exam) at the exam venue

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Latecomer – NUS Business School Policy

Latecomers will **not** be compensated for lost time

- Latecomers' exam <u>must end by the stipulated exam end</u> <u>time</u>, even if not timed out by Examplify
- Latecomers who refuse to stop when required to do so will get zero mark for the exam

This policy also applies to students who delay exam file download and subsequently encounter technical errors when downloading the file in the exam venue.

Latecomers will <u>not</u> be admitted into the exam venue <u>after</u> 10:00 am.

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Basic items to bring to the exam

- Mobile phone with uNivUS App installed
 - Enter your temperature before leaving home
 - Show Green Pass before entering the exam venue
- <u>Fully charged laptop</u> that can last the whole duration of the exam
 - There will <u>not</u> be electrical plug at every seat
 - There will be some electrical plugs in the exam venues, but they will not be at your seat, and there will not be enough for every student
- Functioning laptop charger
- Physical NUS student matric card
- Two calculators
- Mask must be worn at all times.

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Familiarize yourself with Examplify

Visit: https://wiki.nus.edu.sg/display/da/Student

- Mock final exam file is now available for download to test Examplify on your laptop
 - Password: mockfinal123
- The Examplify exam file will be available for download
 12 hours before the start of the exam.
 - Password will be released by your invigilators.
- At the end of the exam, use the <u>NUS WIFI at the exam</u>
 <u>venue</u> to upload Examplify answers.

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Academic Integrity and Honesty

You will be liable for disciplinary action which may result in expulsion from the University if you are found to have contravened any of the clauses below,

- Violation of the NUS Code of Student Conduct (in particular the part on Academic, Professional and Personal Integrity), NUS IT Acceptable Use Policy or NUS Examination rules.
- Possession of unauthorized materials/electronic devices.
- Bringing your mobile phone or any storage/communication device with you to the washroom.
- Unauthorized communication e.g., with another student.
- · Reproduction of any exam materials outside of the exam venue.
- Photography or videography within the exam venue.
- Plagiarism, giving or receiving unauthorised assistance in academic work, or other forms of academic dishonesty.

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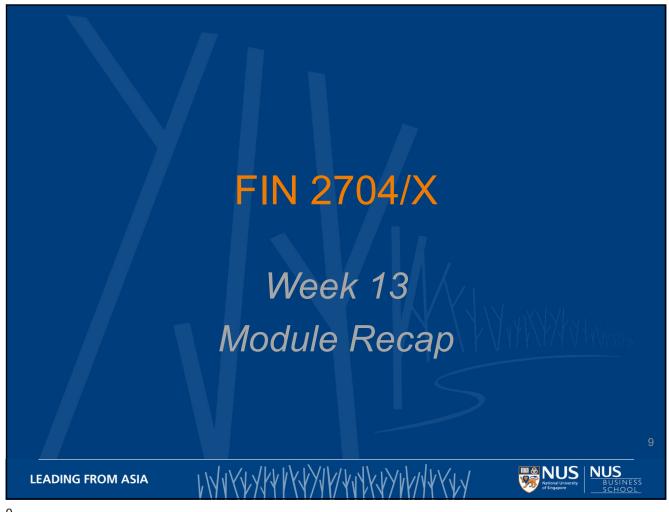
Academic Integrity and Honesty (cont.)

This exam is taken under the Student Conduct Code, which stipulates:

- The University takes a strict view of cheating in any form, deceptive fabrication, plagiarism and violation of intellectual property and copyright laws. Any student who is found to have engaged in such misconduct will be subject to disciplinary action by the University.
- It is important to note that all students share the responsibility of protecting the academic standards and reputation of the University. This responsibility can extend beyond each student's own conduct, and can include reporting incidents of suspected academic dishonesty through the appropriate channels.
- Academic dishonesty is any misrepresentation with the intent to deceive or failure to acknowledge the source or falsification of information or inaccuracy of statements or cheating at examinations/tests or inappropriate use of resources.

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1. Financial Management

Finance

- A discipline concerned with determining value and making decisions based on that value assessment
- Business & personal finance

Main areas of finance

- 1. Investments
- 2. Financial Markets and Intermediaries
- 3. Corporate Finance (or Business Finance)

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1. Financial Management (cont.)

Forms of business organizations

- 1. Sole proprietorship
- 2. Partnership
- 3. Corporation



Financial markets

- Money Markets vs. Capital Markets
- Primary Market vs Secondary Market

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2. Financial Statements

- Annual report
- Financial statements:
 - Balance sheet

Assets = Liabilities + Equity

- Income statement
- Statement of Retained Earnings
- Statement of Cash Flows
- Standardized Financial Statements

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2. Financial Statements (cont.)

- Cash is king
 - In Finance, we care about cash generated from operations over the life of the asset/investment

Cash Flow From Assets (CFFA^) =

Operating Cash Flow (OCF)

- Net Capital Spending (NCS)
- Changes in NOWC (Net Operating Working Capital)
- Ratio Analysis
 - Useful to compare over time or with others
- Analysts should also consider qualitative factors when evaluating a company

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3. Time Value of Money

A dollar paid today is worth more than a dollar paid tomorrow

- Present value (PV): Discounting
- Future value (FV): Compounding
 - EAR, APR, period rate
- Annuity
- Perpetuity
- Different types of loan (self study)

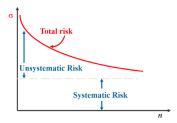
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4. Risk and Return

- Returns
 - Historical vs. prospective
 - Expected returns
- Risk
- Portfolio
 - Diversifiable vs. non-diversifiable risks



Total risk = company-specific risk (unsystematic risk) + market risk (systematic risk)

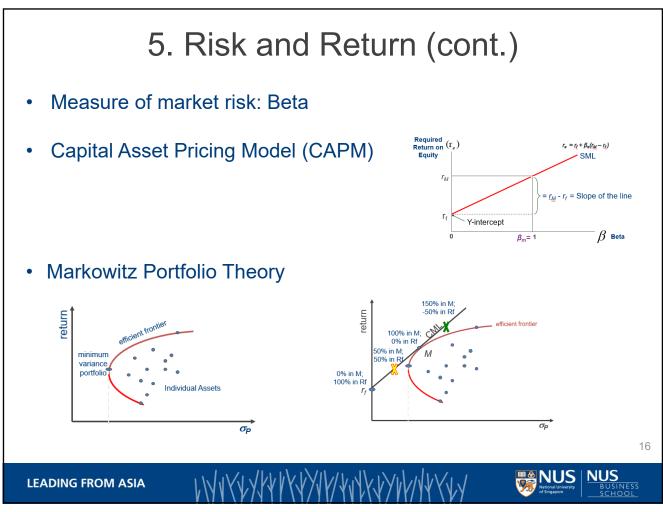
Arithmetic vs. geometric average return (self study)

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6. Bonds

- "Fixed-income" investments
- Bond terminologies
- Bond valuation

Bond Value = PV of coupons + PV of par

- Yield to Maturity (YTM)
- Bond prices are "pulled to par"
- Bond Pricing Theorem
- Credit risk -- bond rating
- Interest rate risk bond prices fluctuate as interest rates change
- Term structure of interest rates

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7. Common Stocks

- Cash from buying a share of stock: <u>dividends</u> & <u>when you</u> <u>sell your shares</u>
- Stock valuation:
 - Dividend Growth Model
 - Corporate Value Model
- Market equilibrium: Expected return = Required return
- Preferred stock

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8. Capital Budgeting

Accept if: Cost ≤ Benefit Reject if: Cost > Benefit

- Net Present Value (NPV)
- Payback & discounted payback
- Internal Rate of Return (IRR) & Modified IRR (MIRR)
- Average Accounting Return (AAR)
- Profitability Index

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9. Capital Budgeting (cont.)

- · Relevant cash flows
- Incremental project cash flows
 - Net initial investment outlay
 - Future cash flows from assets (operations)
 - · Cash outflows required later
 - Terminal year cash outflows
- Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC)
- Unequal lives projects
 - Equivalent Annual Annuities (EAA)

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10. Long Term Financial Planning

- · Pro-forma financial statements
- Financial planning:
 - Elements
 - Ingredients
- · Percent of Sales method
- External Funds Needed equation
- Growth rates:
 - Internal growth rate
 - Sustainable growth rate

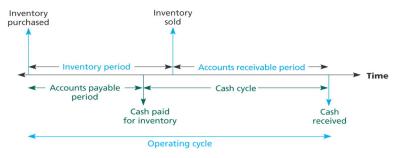
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11. Short Term Financial Planning

- Working capital
- Operating cycle and cash conversion cycle



- Cash management
- Receivable management

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12. Option

- Derivative instruments:
 - Payoffs contingent on the value of some underlying asset
- · Options terminologies:
 - Call option, Put option
 - European option, American option
 - · Holder, seller/writer
- Option payoff (at maturity)
- Option value / premium
 - Intrinsic value (in-/at-/out-of)-the-money
 - Time value of option (before maturity)
- Bounds
- Determinants of option value

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