## To-Do

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✓ Frame the problem
☐ Print Components and Kube Mail
☐ How can we compare the financial strength of the investor with that of the target?
$\Box$ Literature on signs for a takeover
$\square$ Motivation of the investor - studies?
$\Box$ Topics: Conglomerate Discount, Asymmetric Information
$\square$ Read a few SC13D filings of the sample to understand what is going on
$\Box$ Preparation of the final sample (all further analysis will be based on it)

# 1 Main objective of the paper

The importance of the investor's financial strength in activist corporate cross-holdings

#### 1.1 Investors

- 1. Determine abnormal returns generated by the filing of SC13D. Sample will be corporations only.
- 2. Ranking/grouping of investors by their financial strength/condition.
- 3. Grouping of returns by financial strength of the investor.
- 4. Cross-sectional regression of financial strength components with regards to the returns

## 1.2 Target

1. Characteristics of the target

## 1.3 Investor-Target relation

- 1. Industries
- 2. Comparison of financial conditions
- 3. Grouping the returns with regards to the above factors

## 2 Preparation fo the base sample

- 1. SC 13D & SC 13D/A Filings?
- 2. Period
- 3. Sample of all filings
- 4. Filter with 10k reports
- 5. COMPUSTAT & CRSP Data availability
- 6. Manual Selection

#### 3 Activism

- 1. Since our focus is on portfolio investments, we restrict our sample by cross-referencing the 13D filings with a list of investment managers that have filed a Schedule 13F holdings report at some point in their history. We do this so as not to confuse corporate cross-holdings with activism from portfolio investors. This restriction limits our data somewhat, because only institutions holding more than dollar 100 million in US stocks file 13F reports. Greenwood2009
- 2. No investor activism

## 4 Expected Return Proxy

- 1. The accounting fundamentals used as explanatory variables in the proxies for expected profitability and investment include lagged values of Bt/Mt, a dummy variable for negative earnings, profitability (Yt/Bt) for firms with positive earnings, accruals relative to book equity for firms with positive (+ACt/Bt) and negative (ACt/Bt) accruals, investment (dAt/At?1), a dummy variable for firms that do not pay dividends (No Dt) and the ratio of dividends to book equity (Dt/Bt).Fama2006
- 2. What is the result of the calculation?!
- 3. read paper again

# 5 Identifying Information

- 1. GIC variables will merge them with the current sample based on the PERMCO and CIK
- 2. Those the right ones?
- 3. NAICS, GIC or SIC

# 6 Cross-Section Regression

- 1. Dummy variables
- 2. year, industry, strength etc.

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