To-Do

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| ✓ Frame the problem |
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| \Box Print Components and Kube Mail |
| $\hfill\square$ How can we compare the financial strength of the investor with that of the target? |
| \Box Literature on signs for a takeover |
| $\hfill\Box$ Motivation of the investor - studies? |
| \Box Topics: Conglomerate Discount, Asymmetric Information |
| \Box 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

Examining the link between the financial condition of the investor and the subsequent abnormal returns on the targets stock.

1.1 Investors

- 1. Determine abnormal returns with respect to the selected sample
- 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
- 2. Similar to the methodology applied to the investor

1.3 Investor-Target relation

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

2 Preparation of the base sample

- 1. SC 13D & SC 13D/A Filings?
- 2. Period
- 3. Sample of all filings
- 4. Filter with 10k reports
- 5. CRSP share code http://www.crsp.com/products/documentation/data-definitions-1 Share Code: First Digit: 1 = Ordinary Common shares, 3 = ADR, 4 = Shares of Beneficial Interest, 7 = Unit or Limited Partnership. Second Digit: 0 = No special status found, 1 = No special status necessary, 2 = Foreign incorporated, 4 = Closed End Fund, 8 = REIT
- 6. COMPUSTAT & CRSP Data availability
- 7. Manual Selection

3 Activism

- 1. No institutional investor activism but
- 2. effecting a major change in the company

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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