

8.06 Pricing and Valuation of Futures Contracts

Question 1

If interest rates are negatively correlated with futures prices, an increase in interest rate volatility *most likely* increases the prices of:

- A. futures relative to forwards.
- B. forwards relative to futures.
- C. futures and forwards equally.

Question 2

All else equal, which of the following is *most likely* to cause futures and forward contract prices to differ? Differences in:

- A. contract liquidity.
- B. counterparty credit risk.
- C. timing of gain/loss realization.

Question 3

With regard to comparable futures and forward contracts, during times when futures prices are positively correlated with interest rates, futures are *mostly likely* priced:

- A. lower than forwards.
- B. the same as forwards.
- C. higher than forwards.