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# Calculation of Stock Performance Metrics

## Given Data

Risk-free rate ( $r_f$ ): 4%  
Market's average return ( $r_m$ ): 12%

### Stock A:

- Index model regression:  $1\% + 1.2(r_m - r_f)$
- $R^2$ : 0.689
- Residual standard deviation ( $\sigma_e$ ): 12.2%
- Standard deviation of excess returns ( $\sigma$ ): 23.5%

### Stock B:

- Index model regression:  $2\% + 0.8(r_m - r_f)$
- $R^2$ : 0.493
- Residual standard deviation ( $\sigma_e$ ): 21%
- Standard deviation of excess returns ( $\sigma$ ): 28.7%

## Calculation of Following Statistics

### i. Alpha

$\alpha = \text{Constant term in the regression equation}$

#### For Stock A:

$$\alpha_A = 1\%$$

#### For Stock B:

$$\alpha_B = 2\%$$

The alpha is the intercept of the regression line, representing the stock's return independent of the market return.

### ii. Information Ratio

$$\text{Information Ratio} = \frac{\alpha}{\sigma_e}$$

#### For Stock A:

$$\text{Information Ratio}_A = \frac{1\%}{12.2\%} = \frac{0.01}{0.122} = 0.0819672 \approx 0.0820$$

#### For Stock B:

$$\text{Information Ratio}_B = \frac{2\%}{21\%} = \frac{0.02}{0.21} = 0.0952381 \approx 0.0952$$

The Information Ratio measures the alpha in relation to the residual risk.

### iii. Sharpe Ratio

$$\text{Sharpe Ratio} = \frac{E(r) - r_f}{\sigma}$$

First, calculate  $E(r)$  (Expected return):

- $E(r_A) = 1\% + 1.2 \times (12\% - 4\%) = 1\% + 1.2 \times 8\% = 1\% + 9.6\% = 10.6\%$
- $E(r_B) = 2\% + 0.8 \times (12\% - 4\%) = 2\% + 0.8 \times 8\% = 2\% + 6.4\% = 8.4\%$

#### For Stock A:

$$\text{Sharpe Ratio}_A = \frac{10.6\% - 4\%}{23.5\%} = \frac{6.6\%}{23.5\%} = \frac{0.066}{0.235} = 0.2808511 \approx 0.2809$$

#### For Stock B:

$$\text{Sharpe Ratio}_B = \frac{8.4\% - 4\%}{28.7\%} = \frac{4.4\%}{28.7\%} = \frac{0.044}{0.287} = 0.1533016 \approx 0.1533$$

The Sharpe Ratio assesses the excess return per unit of risk.

### iv. Treynor Measure

$$\text{Treynor Measure} = \frac{E(r) - r_f}{\beta}$$

Where  $\beta$  is the slope of the regression equation.

For Stock A:

$$\beta_A = 1.2$$

$$\text{Treynor Measure}_A = \frac{10.6\% - 4\%}{1.2} = \frac{6.6\%}{1.2} = \frac{0.066}{1.2} = 0.055$$

For Stock B:

$$\beta_B = 0.8$$

$$\text{Treynor Measure}_B = \frac{8.4\% - 4\%}{0.8} = \frac{4.4\%}{0.8} = \frac{0.044}{0.8} = 0.055$$

The Treynor Measure evaluates performance adjusted for systematic risk.

## Recommendation based on Circumstances

**This is the only risky asset to be held by the investor.**

**Recommendation:** Stock A would be preferable given it has a higher Sharpe ratio. This ratio measures risk-adjusted returns and is more relevant when considering a single stock investment.

**This stock will be mixed with the rest of the investor's portfolio, currently composed solely of holdings in the market-index fund.**

**Recommendation:** Stock A should be selected due to its higher alpha, indicating potentially higher abnormal returns when combined with the market-index portfolio.

**This is one of many stocks that the investor is analyzing to form an actively managed stock portfolio.**

**Recommendation:** If the goal is to integrate stocks with superior performance indicators, Stock A emerges as a better option again due to its higher information ratio, suggesting better performance per unit of residual risk.

## Final Solution

The calculated statistics for each stock and the recommendations for each investment context were derived:

| Metric              | Stock A | Stock B |
|---------------------|---------|---------|
| Alpha (%), $\alpha$ | 1.0000  | 2.0000  |
| Information Ratio   | 0.0820  | 0.0952  |
| Sharpe Ratio        | 0.2809  | 0.1533  |
| Treynor Measure     | 0.0550  | 0.0550  |

Stock A is preferable for sole asset holdings and mixed portfolios due to higher Sharpe ratio and alpha. Stock A also holds better for actively managed portfolios hinted by its higher information ratio.

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