# A Five-Factor Asset Pricing Model

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#### Introduction

$$\bullet \frac{M_t}{B_t} = \frac{\sum_{\tau} E(Y_{t+\tau} - dB_{t+\tau})/(1+r)^{\tau}}{B_t}$$

- $M_t$ : market cap at time t
- $B_t$ : book equity at time t
- $Y_{t+\tau}$ : total equity earrings for period  $t + \tau$
- $dB_{t+\tau}$ : change in total book equity
- r: long-term average expected stock return
- 只看分子(股票市值)的話,一家公司的現在價值等於所有的未來收益減去投資的折現值
- 賺越多錢 & 投資越少 →公司的現值越大

### Definitions of Variables

Camples	從CRSP當中,選用在NYSE、AMEX、NASDAQ上市的股票 (with <u>SHRCD</u> 10 or 11 i.e., ordinary common shares)
Samples	1963/07 – 2013/12, 606 months
	NYSE breakpoints,每年六月重新計算一次
Size	Market Capitalization
B/M	Book-to-Market ratio
OP	Operating <u>p</u> rofitability
OP	$=$ revenue $_{t-1}$ - COGS $_{t-1}$ - interest $_{t-1}$ - other operating expenses $_{t-1}$ (以上數字都有除以該公司的book equity進行標準化)
Inv	<u>Inv</u> estment
	$= (Assets_{t-1} - Assets_{t-2}) \div Assets_{t-1}$ (i.e., growth rate of total assets)

## **Explanation of Effects**

Size	市值越大的股票,平均報酬率越低
Value	市值固定的情況下,B/M越大(i.e., book equity比較接近market equity),平均報酬率越高
Profitability	賺錢能力越健全的股票,平均報酬率越高
Investment	投資力度越強的股票,平均報酬率越低

因為Novy-Marx(2013) & Titman, Wei, and Xie(2004)分别指出了三因子的不足之處,所以產生五因子模型。

## Explanation of Effects (cont.)

Table 1 Average monthly percent excess returns for portfolios formed on Size and B/M, Size and OP, Size and Inv; July 1963–December 2013, 606 months.

_		Low	2	3	4	High
	Panel A: S	Size-B/M port	folios	_	<b>—</b>	
	Small	0.26	0.81	0.85	1.01	1.15
	2	0.48	0.72	0.94	0.94	1.02
	3	0.50	0.78	0.79	0.88	1.07
Size Effect	4	0.60	0.57	0.71	0.85	0.86
SIZE LITECT	Big	0.46	0.51	0.48	0.56	0.62
Value Effect	Panel B: S	Size-OP portfo	olios			
	Small	0.56	0.94	0.90	0.95	0.88
Profitability Effect	2	0.59	0.78	0.84	0.81	0.98
Troncasiney Errode	3	0.53	0.77	0.72	0.78	0.94
Investment Effect	4	0.57	0.65	0.63	0.70	0.82
Tivestificite Effect	Big	0.39	0.33	0.43	0.47	0.57
	Panel C: S	Size-Inv portfo	olios			
	Small	1.01	0.98	0.99	0.89	0.35
	2	0.92	0.91	0.92	0.90	0.48
	3	0.90	0.93	0.81	0.82	0.50
	4	0.79	0.72	0.71	0.75	0.54
	Big	0.71	0.52	0.49	0.48	0.42

## Concepts of Five Factors

$$R_{it} - R_{Ft} = a_i + b_i(R_{Mt} - R_{Ft}) + s_iSMB_t + h_iHML_t + r_iRMW_t + c_iCMA_t + e_{it}$$

R <sub>M</sub> -R <sub>f</sub>	return on value-weight market portfolio
SMB	(return on small stocks) — (return on big stocks)
HML	(return on high B/M stocks) — (return on low B/M stocks)
	(return on high profitability stocks) — (return on low profit. stocks)
RMW	high profitability = robust low profitability = weak
CNAA	(return on low investment stocks) — (return on high invest. stocks)
CMA	low investment = conservative high investment = aggressive

## Concepts of Five Factors (cont.)

**Table 3**Construction of *Size*, *B*/*M*, profitability, and investment factors.

We use independent sorts to assign stocks to two *Size* groups, and two or three B/M, operating profitability (OP), and investment (Inv) groups. The VW portfolios defined by the intersections of the groups are the building blocks for the factors. We label these portfolios with two or four letters. The first always describes the *Size* group, small (S) or big (B). In the 2 × 3 sorts and 2 × 2 sorts, the second describes the B/M group, high (B), neutral (B), or low (B), the B1 group, robust (B2, neutral (B3), or weak (B4), or the B5 group, conservative (B5), neutral (B6), or aggressive (B7). In the 2 × 2 × 2 × 2 sorts, the second character is B5 group, the third is B6 group, and the fourth is B7 group. The factors are B8 (small minus big), B8 minus low B8, B8, B9, and B9, and B9, and B9, and B9, and B9.

Sort	Breakpoints	Factors and their components
2 × 3 sorts on Size and B/M, or Size and OP, or Size and Inv	Size: NYSE median	$SMB_{B/M} = (SH + SN + SL)/3 - (BH + BN + BL)/3$ $SMB_{OP} = (SR + SN + SW)/3 - (BR + BN + BW)/3$ $SMB_{Inv} = (SC + SN + SA)/3 - (BC + BN + BA)/3$ $SMB = (SMB_{B/M} + SMB_{OP} + SMB_{Inv})/3$
	B/M: 30th and 70th NYSE percentiles OP: 30th and 70th NYSE percentiles Inv: 30th and 70th NYSE percentiles	HML = (SH + BH)/2 - (SL + BL)/2 = [(SH - SL) + (BH - BL)]/2 RMW = (SR + BR)/2 - (SW + BW)/2 = [(SR - SW) + (BR - BW)]/2 CMA = (SC + BC)/2 - (SA + BA)/2 = [(SC - SA) + (BC - BA)]/2
2 × 2 sorts on Size and B/M, or Size and OP, or Size and Inv	Size: NYSE median B/M: NYSE median OP: NYSE median Inv: NYSE median	SMB = (SH + SL + SR + SW + SC + SA)/6 - (BH + BL + BR + BW + BC + BA)/6 $HML = (SH + BH)/2 - (SL + BL)/2 = [(SH - SL) + (BH - BL)]/2$ $RMW = (SR + BR)/2 - (SW + BW)/2 = [(SR - SW) + (BR - BW)]/2$ $CMA = (SC + BC)/2 - (SA + BA)/2 = [(SC - SA) + (BC - BA)]/2$
$2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2$ sorts on Size, B/M, OP, and Inv	Size: NYSE median  B/M: NYSE median	SMB=(SHRC + SHRA + SHWC + SHWA + SLRC + SLRA + SLWC + SLWA)/8 - (BHRC + BHRA + BHWC + BHWA + BLRC + BLRA + BLWC + BLWA)/8 HML=(SHRC + SHRA + SHWC + SHWA + BHRC + BHRA + BHWC + BHWA)/8 - (SLRC + SLRA + SLWC + SLWA + BLRC + BLRA + BLWC + BLWA)/8
	OP: NYSE median Inv: NYSE median	RMW=(SHRC + SHRA + SLRC + SLRA + BHRC + BHRA + BLRC + BLRA)/8 - (SHWC + SHWA + SLWC + SLWA + BHWC + BHWA + BLWC + BLWA)/8  CMA=(SHRC + SHWC + SLRC + SLWC + BHRC + BHWC + BLRC + BLWC)/8 - (SHRA + SHWA + SLRA + SLWA + BHRA + BHWA + BLRA + BLWA)/8

#### HML: a redundant factor

**Table 6**Using four factors in regressions to explain average returns on the fifth: July 1963–December 2013, 606 months.

	Int	$R_M - R_F$	SMB	HML	RMW	CMA	$R^2$
2 × 3 Factors							
$R_M - R_F$							
Coef	0.82		0.25	0.03	-0.40	-0.91	0.24
t-Statistic	4.94		4.44	0.38	-4.84	-7.83	
SMB							
Coef	0.39	0.13		0.05	-0.48	-0.17	0.17
<i>t</i> -Statistic	3.23	4.44		0.81	-8.43	-1.92	
HML							
Coef	-0.04	0.01	0.02		0.23	1.04	0.51
t-Statistic	-0.47	0.38	0.81		5.36	23.03	
RMW							
Coef	0.43	-0.09	-0.22	0.20		-0.44	0.21
t-Statistic	5.45	-4.84	-8.43	5.36		-7.84	
CMA							
CMA	0.20	0.10	0.04	0.45	0.21		0.55
Coef	0.28	-0.10	-0.04	0.45	-0.21		0.57
t-Statistic	5.03	− <b>7.83</b>	-1.92	23.03	-7.84		

#### HML: a redundant factor (cont.)

- 改進的方法:將HML改成HMLO
- HMLO
  - Orthogonal HML
  - Sum of the intercept and residual from the regression of HML on  $R_M$ - $R_F$ , SMB, RMW, and CMA
- 回歸式的ai和eit保持不變

$$R_{it} - R_{Ft} = \boldsymbol{a_i} + b_i(R_{Mt} - R_{Ft}) + s_iSMB_t + h_i \frac{HML_t}{L} + r_iRMW_t + c_iCMA_t + \boldsymbol{e_{it}}$$



$$R_{it} - R_{Ft} = \boldsymbol{a_i} + b_i(R_{Mt} - R_{Ft}) + s_i SMB_t + h_i \frac{HMLO_t}{t} + r_i RMW_t + c_i CMA_t + \boldsymbol{e_{it}}$$

# Performance Comparisons

**Table 5**Summary statistics for tests of three-, four-, and five-factor models; July 1963–December 2013, 606 months.

		$2 \times 3$ Factors				2 × 2 Factors				$2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2$ Factors			
	GRS	$A a_i $	$\frac{A a_i }{A \overline{r}_i }$	$\frac{A(\hat{\alpha}_i^2)}{A(\hat{\mu}_i^2)}$	GRS	$A a_i $	$\frac{A a_i }{A \overline{r}_i }$	$\frac{A(\hat{\alpha}_i^2)}{A(\hat{\mu}_i^2)}$	GRS	$A a_i $	$\frac{A a_i }{A \overline{r}_i }$	$\frac{A(\hat{\alpha}_i^2)}{A(\hat{\mu}_i^2)}$	
Panel A: 25 Size-B	/M portfolio	os											
├─ HML	3.62	0.102	0.54	0.38	3.54	0.101	0.53	0.36	3.40	0.096	0.51	0.36	
	3.13	0.095	0.50	0.24	3.11	0.096	0.51	0.26	3.29	0.089	0.47	0.24	
HML RMW HML CMA RMW CMA	3.52	0.101	0.53	0.39	3.46	0.100	0.53	0.37	3.18	0.096	0.51	0.35	
RMW CMA	2.84	0.100	0.53	0.22	2.78	0.093	0.49	0.19	2.78	0.087	0.46	0.13	
HML RMW CMA	2.84	0.094	0.50	0.23	2.80	0.093	0.49	0.23	2.82	0.088	0.46	0.18	
Panel B: 25 Size-O	P portfolios												
≥ HML	2.31	0.108	0.68	0.51	2.31	0.109	0.68	0.51	1.91	0.089	0.56	0.37	
₩ RMW	1.71	0.067	0.42	0.12	1.82	0.078	0.49	0.16	1.73	0.059	0.37	0.05	
/ HML RMW	1.64	0.062	0.39	0.16	1.74	0.058	0.36	0.03	1.62	0.064	0.40	0.06	
<u></u> HML CMA	3.02	0.137	0.86	0.90	2.85	0.135	0.85	0.86	2.06	0.102	0.64	0.49	
RMW CMA	1.87	0.075	0.47	0.12	1.67	0.066	0.42	0.05	1.61	0.068	0.43	0.05	
≥HML RMW CMA	1.87	0.073	0.46	0.12	1.73	0.066	0.42	0.06	1.60	0.069	0.43	0.07	
Panel C: 25 Size-Ir	ıv portfolios												
HML	4.56	0.112	0.64	0.57	4.40	0.107	0.61	0.53	4.32	0.100	0.57	0.56	
₩ CMA	4.03	0.105	0.60	0.47	4.05	0.106	0.61	0.47	4.23	0.123	0.70	0.62	
₩ HML RMW	4.40	0.106	0.61	0.57	4.26	0.103	0.59	0.52	4.45	0.116	0.66	0.66	
≺ <sup>™</sup> HML CMA	4.00	0.099	0.57	0.43	3.97	0.098	0.56	0.41	3.70	0.084	0.48	0.35	
⊞ RMW CMA	3.33	0.085	0.49	0.29	3.28	0.082	0.47	0.26	3.50	0.082	0.47	0.27	
HML RMW CMA	3.32	0.085	0.49	0.29	3.27	0.082	0.47	0.27	3.59	0.082	0.47	0.28	

### Performance Comparisons (cont.)

**Table 7** Regressions for 25 value-weight Size-B/M portfolios; July 1963 to December 2013, 606 months.  $R(t) - R_F(t) = a + b[R_M(t) - R_F(t)] + sSMB(t) + hHMLO(t) + rRMW(t) + cCMA(t) + e(t).$ 

B/M →	Low	2	3	4	High	Low	2	3	4	High
Panel A: Thr	ee-factor inte	rcepts: R <sub>M</sub> -R <sub>F</sub>	, SMB, and HN	ЛL						
			а					t(a)		
Small	-0.49	0.00	0.02	0.16	0.14	-5.18	0.07	0.40	2.88	2.37
2	-0.17	-0.04	0.12	0.07	-0.02	-2.75	-0.80	2.24	1.40	-0.38
3	-0.06	0.06	0.02	0.06	0.12	-0.98	0.92	0.33	0.96	1.66
4	0.14	-0.10	-0.04	0.07	-0.08	2.24	-1.46	-0.55	1.05	-0.94
Big	0.17	0.02	-0.07	-0.11	-0.18	3.53	0.40	-0.95	-1.86	-1.92
Panel B: Five	e-factor coeffi	cients: $R_M - R_F$		RMW, and CN	1A					
			а					t(a)		
Small	-0.29	0.11	0.01	0.12	0.12	-3.31	1.61	0.17	2.12	1.99
2	-0.11	-0.10	0.05	-0.00	-0.04	-1.73	-1.88	0.95	-0.04	-0.64
3	0.02	-0.01	-0.07	-0.02	0.05	0.40	-0.10	-1.06	-0.25	0.60
4	0.18	-0.23	-0.13	0.05	-0.09	2.73	-3.29	-1.81	0.73	-1.09
Big	0.12	-0.11	-0.10	-0.15	-0.09	2.50	-1.82	-1.39	-2.33	-0.93
			h			t(h)				
Small	-0.43	-0.14	0.10	0.27	0.52	-10.11	-4.38	3.90	10.12	17.55
2	-0.46	-0.01	0.29	0.43	0.69	-15.22	-0.45	11.77	16.78	24.44
3	-0.43	0.12	0.37	0.52	0.67	-14.70	3.71	12.28	17.07	18.75
4	-0.46	0.09	0.38	0.52	0.80	-15.18	2.76	11.03	15.88	20.26
Big	-0.31	0.03	0.26	0.62	0.85	-14.12	1.09	7.54	21.05	18.74
			r					<i>t</i> ( <i>r</i> )		
C 11	0.50	-0.34	0.01	0.11	0.12		10.50	0.21	3.89	2.05
Small	-0.58 $-0.21$	-0.34 0.13	0.01 0.27	0.11 0.26	0.12 0.21	- 13.26 - 6.75	- 10.56 4.89	0.31 10.35	9.86	3.95 7.04
2	-0.21 -0.21		0.27		0.21	-6.75 -6.99	4.89 6.77	10.35		8.88
4	-0.21 -0.19	0.22	0.33	0.28	0.33	- 6.99 - 6.06	7.75	7.99	8.98 4.16	6.14
	0.19	0.27 0.25	0.28	0.14 0.23	0.25	- 6.06 5.64	7.75 8.79	2.07	7.62	0.49
Big	0.13	0.25	0.07	0.23	0.02	5.04	6.79	2.07	7.02	0.49
			С					t(c)		
Small	-0.57	-0.12	0.19	0.39	0.62		-3.46	6.59	13.15	19.10
2	-0.59	0.06	0.31	0.55	0.72	-17.76	1.94	11.27	19.39	22.92
3	-0.67	0.13	0.42	0.64	0.78	-20.59	3.64	12.52	18.97	19.62
4	-0.51	0.31	0.51	0.60	0.79	-15.11	8.33	13.35	16.41	18.03
Big	-0.39	0.26	0.41	0.66	0.73	-16.08	8.38	10.80	19.88	14.54

#### Conclusions

- 五因子模型沒辦法達成截距項等於零的目標 (GRS test failed)
- 報酬率解釋力有比三因子模型來的好 (Table 7 & 9~11)
- 如果想要用最少因子的回歸式,HML可以考慮 拿掉,或是改用HMLO去替代HML。