

CHAPTER 7

→ Appendix

↳ Factor Models

→ Factor model represents returns as

$$r = X \cdot b + u \quad (7A.1)$$

$X \rightarrow N \times K$ stock exposures to factors

$b \rightarrow K$ vector of factor returns

$u \rightarrow N$ vector of stock specific returns

→ Any portfolio P 's factor exposures:

$$x_p = X^T \cdot h_p \quad (7A.2)$$

→ Recall from Ch2, expected excess return on each asset is proportional to that asset's beta w.r.t. portfolio Q .

→ $N \times N$ asset covariance matrix

$$V = X \cdot F \cdot X^T + \Delta \quad (7A.3)$$

$F \rightarrow K \times K$ covariance of factors

$\Delta \rightarrow N \times N$ covariance of specific returns

→ The model (X, F, Δ) explains expected excess returns if there is a K -element vector of factor forecasts m s.t.

$$F = X \cdot m \quad (7A.4)$$