

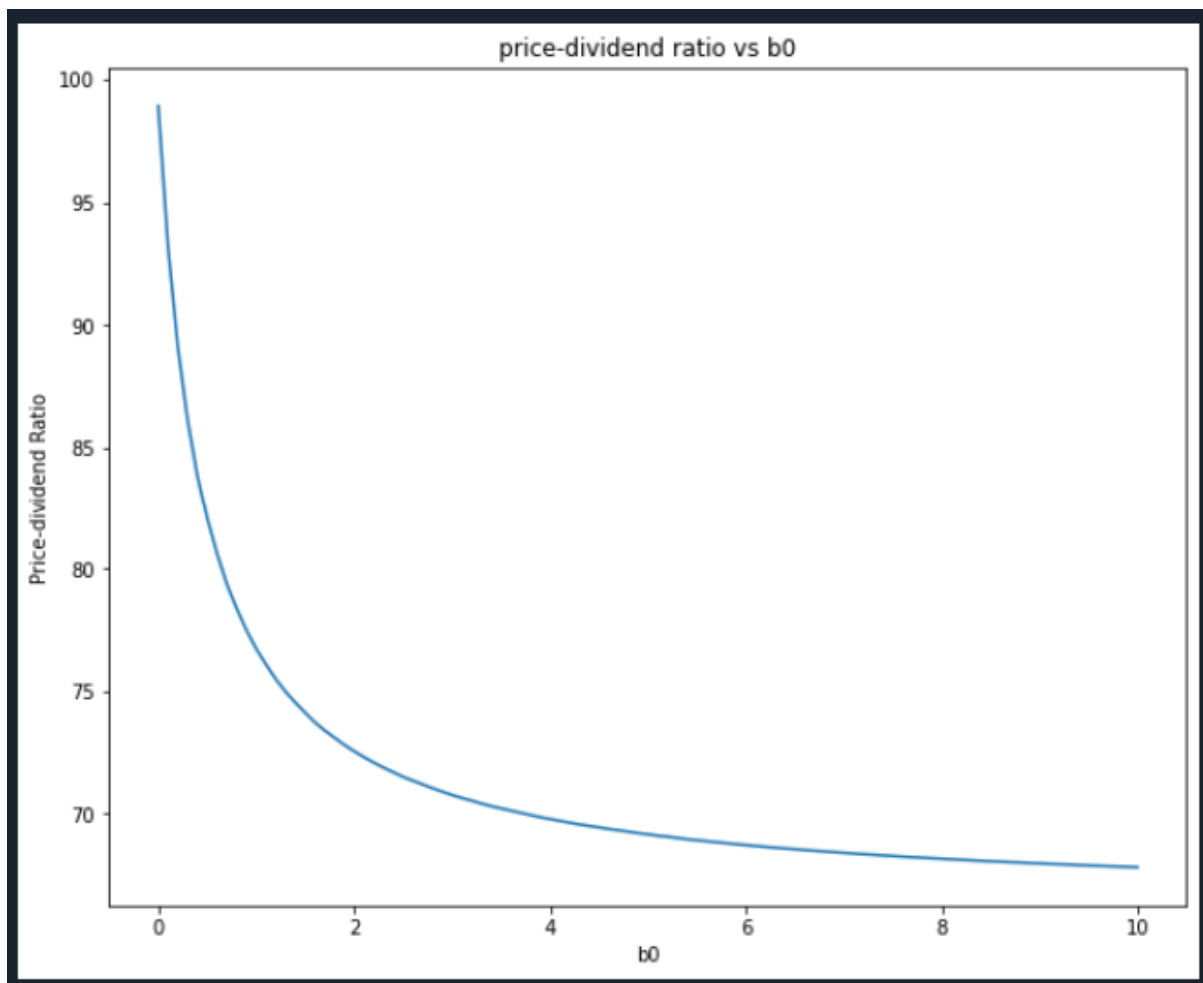
Calculate the equilibrium values of  $x$  for  $b_0$  in the range from 0 to 10, in increments of 0.1 (or less), using bisection search:

	$b_0$	Equilibrium value of $x$
0	0.0	1.010107
1	0.1	1.010730
2	0.2	1.011218
3	0.3	1.011609
4	0.4	1.011926
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96	9.6	1.014731
97	9.7	1.014734
98	9.8	1.014737
99	9.9	1.014740
100	10.0	1.014743

Use the equilibrium value of  $x$  to calculate the price-dividend ratio for the market portfolio:

	$b_0$	Equilibrium value of $x$	Price dividend_ratio
0	0.0	1.010107	98.937198
1	0.1	1.010730	93.196815
2	0.2	1.011218	89.140370
3	0.3	1.011609	86.140904
4	0.4	1.011926	83.848516
..	...	...	...
96	9.6	1.014731	67.884815
97	9.7	1.014734	67.870754
98	9.8	1.014737	67.856699
99	9.9	1.014740	67.842650
100	10.0	1.014743	67.828607

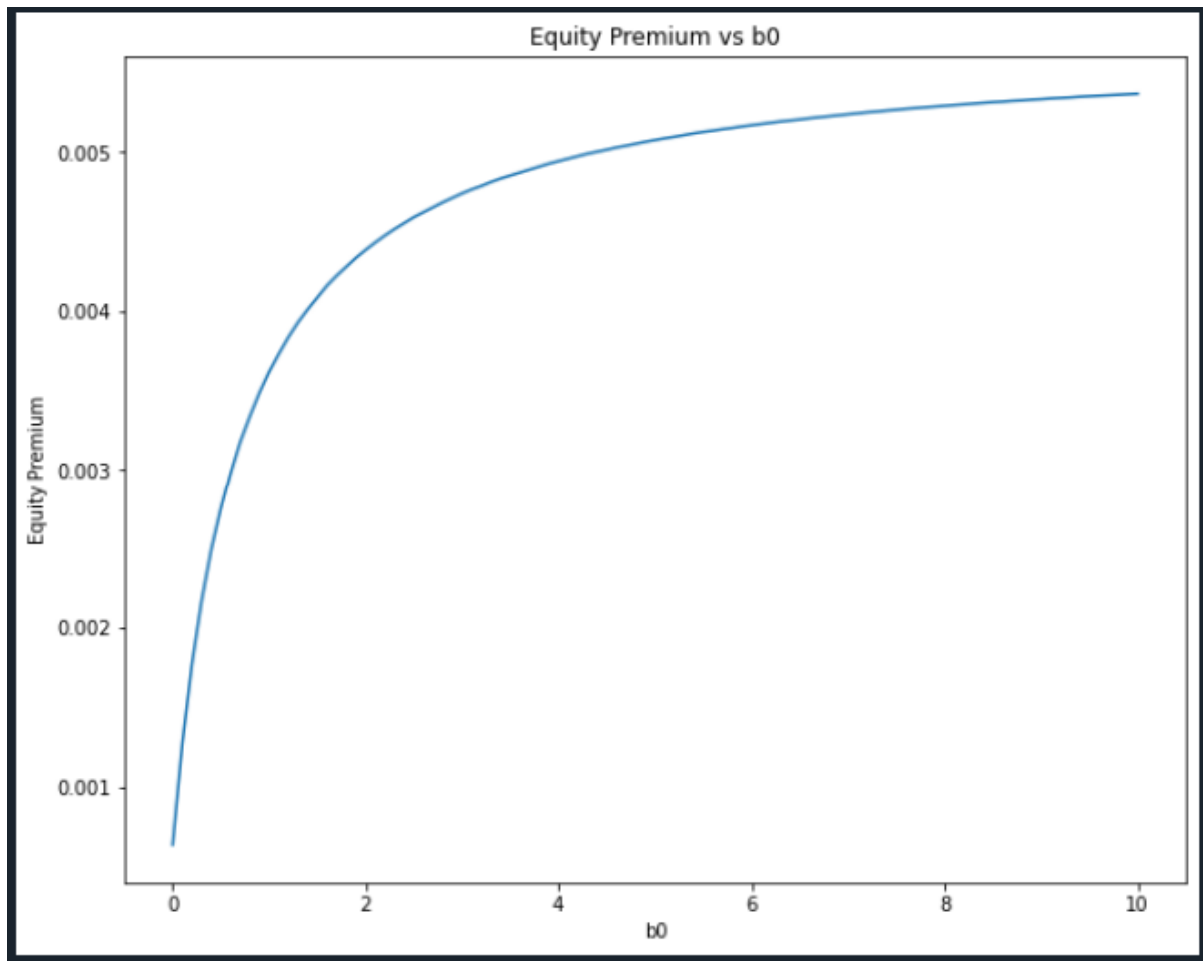
and plot the price-dividend ratio (on the vertical axis) vs  $b_0$ .



Use the equilibrium value of  $x$  to calculate the expected market return:

	$b_0$	Equilibrium value of $x$	Expected Market Return
0	0.0	1.010107	1.030936
1	0.1	1.010730	1.031571
2	0.2	1.011218	1.032069
3	0.3	1.011609	1.032468
4	0.4	1.011926	1.032792
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96	9.6	1.014731	1.035654
97	9.7	1.014734	1.035658
98	9.8	1.014737	1.035661
99	9.9	1.014740	1.035664
100	10.0	1.014743	1.035667

and plot the equity premium (on the vertical axis) vs  $b_0$ .



**Briefly explain the economic significance of the investor's utility function for recent financial gain or loss  $[v(R)]$ , as well as the economic significance of  $b_0$  and  $\lambda$ .**

Infinitely lived investor receives time-separable utility from individual consumption as well as recent financial gain or loss. Recent financial gain or loss is measured relative to reference level based on risk-free rate. Loss aversion makes investor more sensitive to shortfall in financial gain (or outright financial loss).  $v(R)$  represents gain or loss of utility from financial gain or loss.

$b_0 \geq 0$  determines amount of emphasis investor puts on utility from financial gain or loss, vs utility of consumption. Equity premium will increase with  $b_0$ , as investor puts more emphasis on utility from financial gain or loss. Annual equity premium is 0.06% for  $b_0 = 0$  and 0.91% for  $b_0 = 2$  and converges to 1.2% as  $b_0 \rightarrow \infty$ . Equity premium of 4.1% per year for  $b_0 = 2$ , when  $\lambda$  rises by one for every 2% shortfall in value of investment in risky stock.  $\delta = e^{-\rho} \in (0, 1)$  is subjective discount factor and  $\gamma > 0$   $b_0$  is scale factor so that utility of consumption remains comparable in magnitude to utility of financial gain or loss is coefficient of relative risk aversion for consumption shocks.