

Alternative Investments

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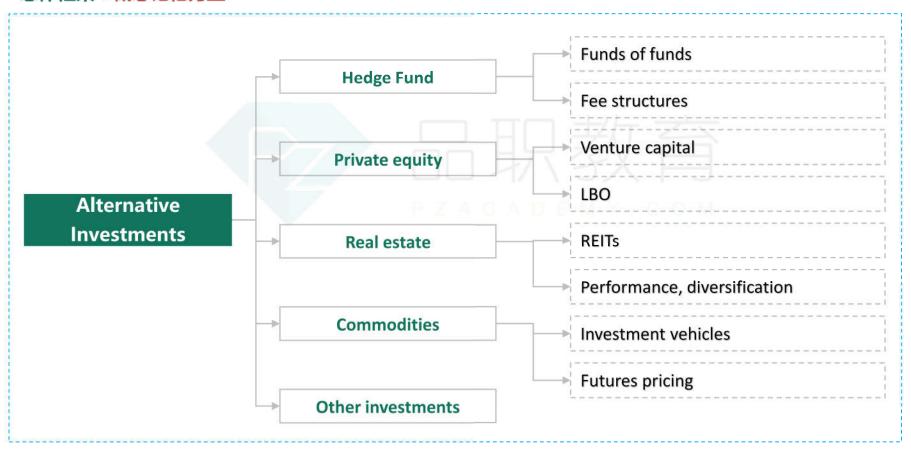
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INTRODUCTION TO ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT

Total Framework

总体框架→概念记忆为主



Hedge funds

Characteristics of hedge funds

- Aggressively managed → Use of leverages → Aimed at higher returns
- Large initial investment → limited number of investors → Less restricted
- Hedge fund indices 不准 → Survivorship bias & Backfill bias
- Restrictions on redemptions → Lockup period & Notice period





- → Based on capital under management 与PE区别
- → ① Based on profits
 - ② net of (or before) management fee★ 计算
 - ③ hurdle rate 概念理解
 - ④ High water mark 概念理解
 - ⑤ 2 and 20 术语

Hedge fund strategies ★ ★

概念, 具体策略构建方法

- •Event-driven strategies → •Merger arbitrage ★ →long Target, short Acquirer
- ◆Distressed/restructuring ★→ Long Bond(赌重组)
- •Relative value strategies → convertible arbitrage ★ (long bond, short stock)
- Macro strategies → Top down approach
- •Equity hedge strategies→ Market Neutral (β=0, 保留大量非系统性风险)& Short Bias

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Due diligence 概念,简单了解

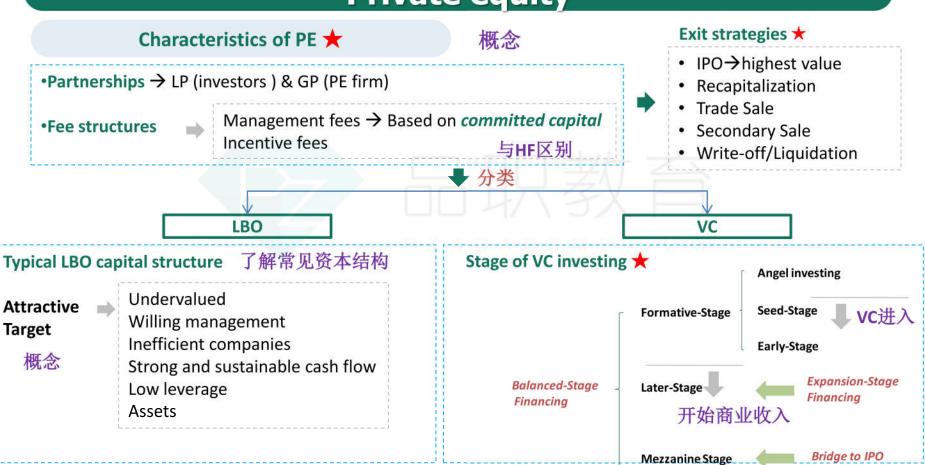
Valuation issues 概念,简单了解



Common practice: use average quote, (bid + ask)/2

Conservative approach: use bid prices for longs and ask prices for shorts.

Private equity



Real Estate

- 投资原因
 - 概念

- long-term total returns
- lessen cash flow impact from economic shocks
- inflation hedge

Diversification benefits 🛨 📦 SREIT index and equity returns: high correlation

REIT index and bond returns: low correlation

Residential property Commercial real estate **REIT Investing** MBS Timberland and Farmland



Valuation Method

实体物业估值

- Comparable sales approach
- Income approach
- Cost approach

REITS估值

- Income based approach
- Asset based approach

概念为主, 二级要求计算





概念

- •Appraisal index \rightarrow lag, understate σ
- •Repeat sales (transaction-based) index
- •REIT index

Commodities

如何投资commodity

Derivatives

ETF

Common stock

Managed futures funds

Individual managed accounts

Funds in specific commodity sectors

Commodity indices → 用futures price

概念



Contango → FP>SP
Backwardation → SP>FP

产生原因 { Carry cost Convenient Yield

投资原因

exposure to an economy

changes in commodity prices >changes in finished goods prices

投资Commodity Futures收入来源

合起来为FP变化

Collateral yield →T-bill做Margin
Price return →SP变化

Roll yield →SP不变时FP变化



Roll Yield>0→backwardation Roll Yield<0→Contango

Other

Collectibles

概念



特征

- No current income
- •long-term capital appreciation
- diversify a portfolio
- source of enjoyment
- •fluctuate dramatically in value
- highly illiquid

Infrastructure

概念



投资分类

Economic vs. social infrastructure Brownfield vs. greenfield

- Brownfield ★ → existing, predictable financials, low risk
- •Greenfield★ → to be/under construction, higher risk/return



投资方式 (similar to real estate)

Direct → full control, high concentration Indirect → liquidity, transparent governance, e.g. MLPs



判断low risk investments

- stable cash flows
- higher dividend payout ratios
- fewer growth opportunities
- •lower expected returns



Risks

- •financing risk
- operational risk
- construction risk
- regulatory risk
- currency risk

Characteristics of alternative investments

Characteristics of alternative investments

- Illiquidity
- Narrow manage specialization
- Low correlation with traditional investments
- •Low level of regulation and less transparency
- Limited and problematic historical data
- Unique legal and tax considerations

Risk - Return measures

相比传统投资→

- High Return
- •High Risk(HF显示为low risk)

Sharpe ratio不准

- →leptokurtic, negatively skewed
- → VaR, Sortino ratio would be appropriate



Tail events

Stress testing/scenario analysis







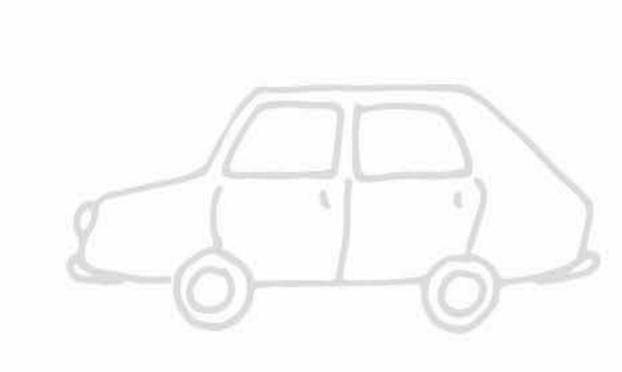








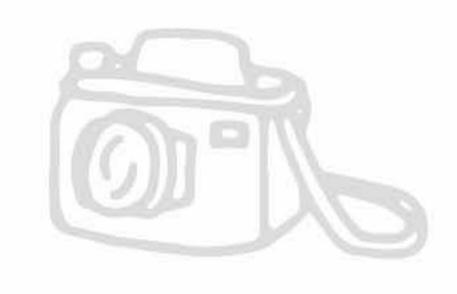


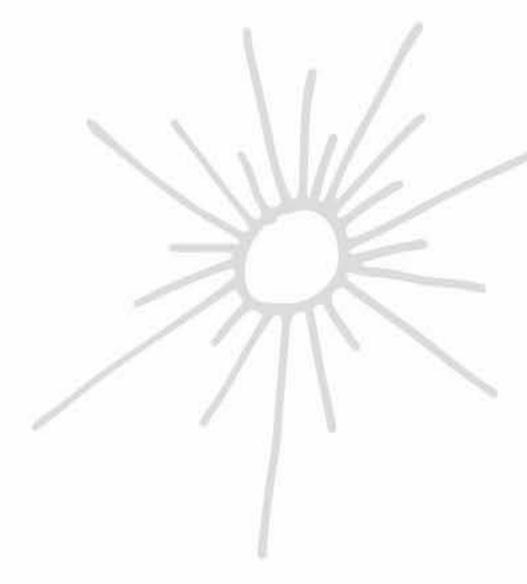




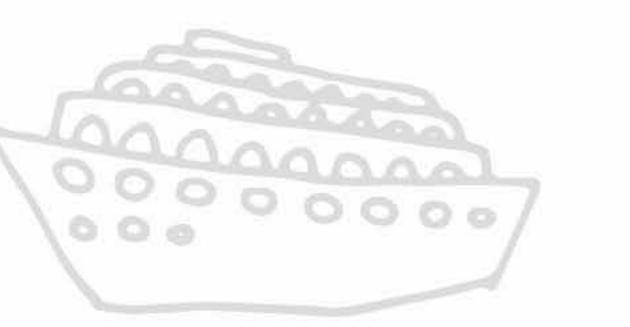
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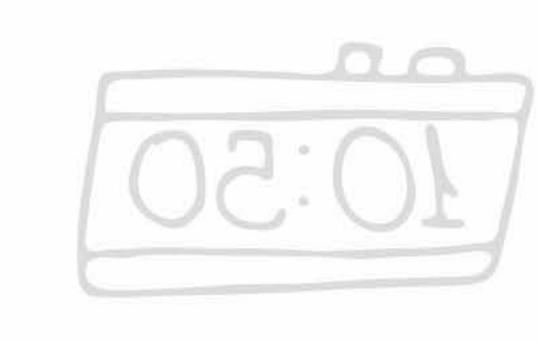




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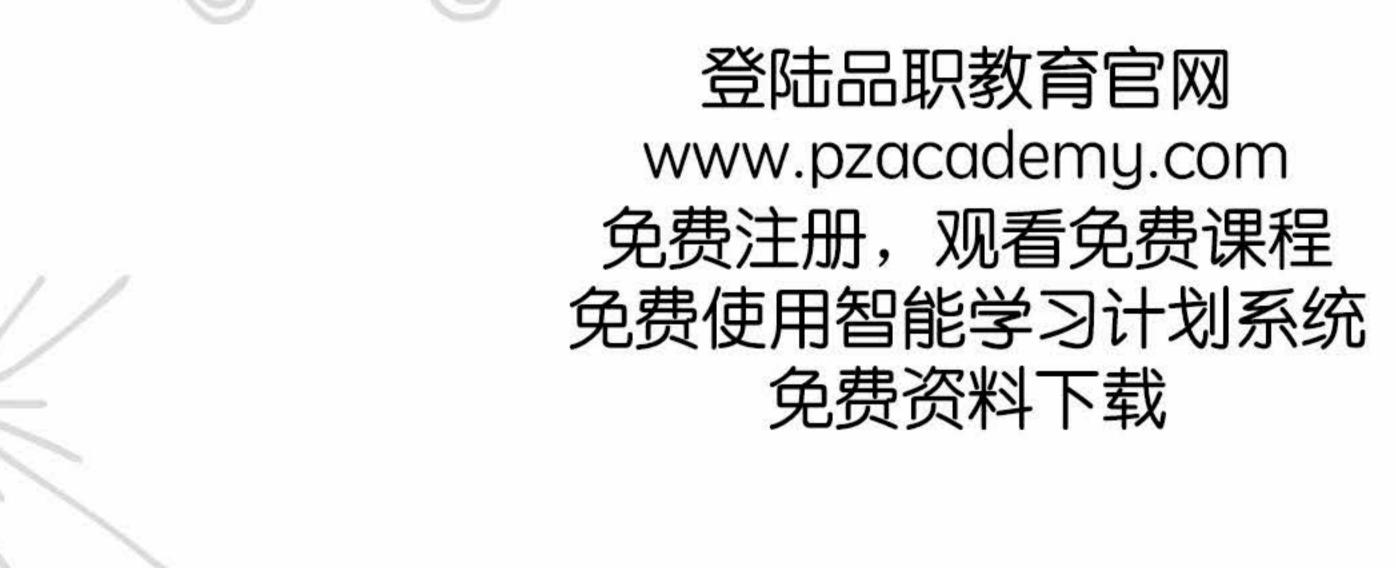








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