



Problems

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 - 1. Optimal portfolio selection & Beta estimation
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 - 3. Fund performance analysis



Unit 02

Data Problems

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7. Consider the data below.

	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	1
2	Variance-covariance matrix	La-Z-Boy	Kimball	Flexsteel	Leggett	Miller	Shaw		Means
3	La-Z-Boy	0.1152	0.0398	0.1792	0.0492	0.0568	0.0989		29.24%
4	Kimball	0.0398	0.0649	0.0447	0.0062	0.0349	0.0269		20.68%
5	Flexsteel	0.1792	0.0447	0.3334	0.0775	0.0886	0.1481		25.02%
6	Leggett	0.0492	0.0062	0.0775	0.1033	0.0191	0.0597		31.64%
7	Miller	0.0568	0.0349	0.0886	0.0191	0.0594	0.0243		15.34%
8	Shaw	0.0989	0.0269	0.1487	0.0597	0.0243	0.1653		43.87%

- a. Given this matrix, find two efficient portfolios.
- b. Plot the efficient frontier.



Use the following information in the table for the question. Due to the limited space, only the part of the data is suggested. Use the excel file that comes with the problem.

	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	1	J	K.	L
1		PRICE DATA: 10 STOCKS AND S&P 500, Jul2007-Jul2012 S&P 500 represented by Vanguard's Index 500 fund (includes dividends)										
2		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3		Apple	Google	Whole Foods	Seagate	Comcast	Merck	Johnson- Johnson	General electic	Hewlett Packard	Goldman Sachs	S&P 500
4												
5	Date	AAPL	GOOG	WFM	STX	CMCSA	MRK	JNJ	GE	HPQ	GS	S&P 500
6	2-Jul-07	131.76	510.00	35.75	21.18	24.17	39.78	51.39	31.84	43.69	178.93	125.27
7	1-Aug-07	138.48	515.25	42.72	23.37	24.00	40.20	52.84	31.93	46.85	497.21	121.40
8	4-Sep-07	153.47	567.27	47.26	23.15	22.25	41.73	56.18	34.21	47.34	205.91	123.22
9	1-Oct-07	189.95	707.00	47.98	25.29	19.37	47.04	55.73	34.04	49.14	23590	127.81
10	1-Nov-07	182.22	693.00	41.66	23.43	18.90	47.93	58.29	31.67	48.64	215.65	129.83
11	3-Dec-07	198.08	691.48	39.52	23.16	16.80	47.23	57.39	30.92	48.07	204.62	124.39
12	2-Jan-08	135.36	564.30	38.41	18.50	16.71	37.47	54.33	27.89	41.63	190.21	123.53
13	1-Feb-08	125.02	471.18	34.23	19.69	17.98	36.00	53.67	45.49	45.49	161.69	116.10
14	3-Mar-08	143.50	440.47	32.11	19.11	17.85	31.11	56.19	43.56	43.56	157.65	112.33



8. Fill in the template below.

	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	I	J	K	L
1			R	ETURN	DATA:	10 STC	CKS A	ND SP5	00			
2		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
				Whole				Johnson-	General	Hewlett	Goldman	
3		Apple	Google	Foods	Seagate	Comcast	Merck	Johnson	Electric	Packard	Sachs	S&P 500
	Monthly											
4	statistics											
5	Mean											
6	Variance											
7	Sigma											
8												
	Annual											
	statistics											
	Mean											
	Variance											
	Sigma											
13												
	Regressing indi	vidual assets	on the S&	kP 500								
15	Alpha											
16	Beta											
_	Rsq											
18	T-test, intercept											
19	T-test, slope											
20												
21						TUDNED						
22						TURN DA						
23	Date	AAPL	GOOG	WFM	STX	CMCSA	MRK	JNJ	GE	HPQ	GS	SP500
24	1-Aug-07											
25	4-Sep-07											
26	1-Oct-07											
27	1-Nov-07											
28	3-Dec-07											
29	2-Jan-08											
30	1-Feb-08											
31 32	3-Mar-08											
33	1-Apr-08 1-May-08											
	2-Jun-08											
34 35	2-Jun-08 1-Jul-08											
33	1-Jul-08		l									



Sandra Kapple presents Maria VanHusen with a description, given in the following table, of the bond portfolio held by the Star Hospital Pension Plan. All securities in the bond portfolio are noncallable U.S. Treasury securities.

				Price if Yiels Change					
Par Value (U.S \$)	Treasury Securituy	Market Value (U.S \$)	Currnet Price	Up 100 Basis points	Down 100 Basis points	Effective Duration			
\$48,000,000	2.75% due 2015	\$48,667,680	101.391	99.245	103.595	2.15			
50,000,000	4.75% due 2040	50,000,000	100.000	86.372	116.887	-			
98,000,000	Total bond portfolio	98,667,680	-	-	-	-			

- Calculate the duration of i) the 4.75% Treaury security due 2040, and ii) the total bond portfolio. a.
- VanHusen remarks to Kapple, "If you changed the maturity structure of the bond portfolio to b. result in a portfolio duration of 5.25 years, the price sensitivity of the portfolio would be identical to that of a single, noncallable Treasury security that also has a duration of 5.25 years." In what circumstance would VanHusen's remark be correct?



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- a. Calculate the following statistics for each stock:
 - I. Alpha
 - II. Information Ratio
 - III. Sharpe Ratio
 - IV. Treynor Measure



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- Which stock is the best choice under the following circumstances?
 - This is the only risky asset to be held by the investor.
 - This stock will be mixed with the rest of the investor's portfolio, currently composed solely of holdings in the market-index fund.
 - III. This is one of many stocks that the investor is analyzing to form an actively managed stock portfolio.