INTRO AND SIMULATION

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WHY ARE WE HERE?

LET'S DO SOME TIME TRAVELING

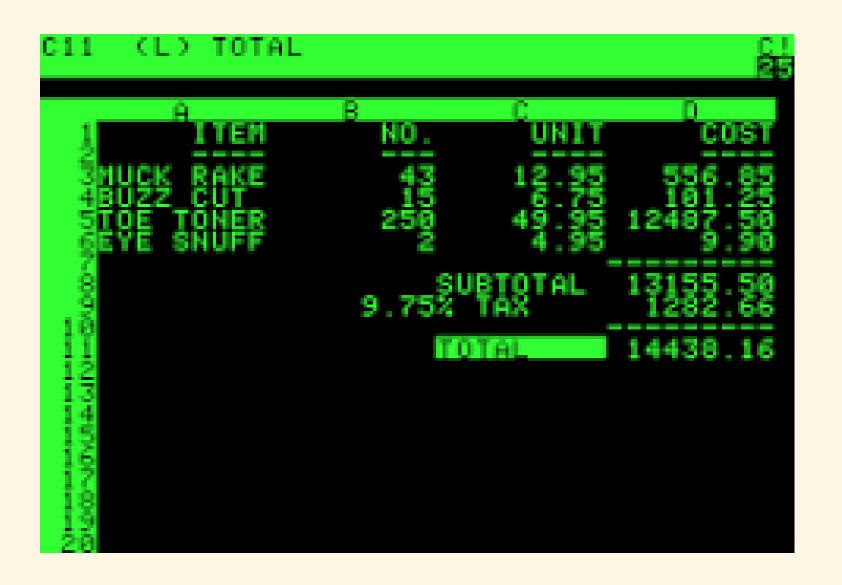




First hand-held calculator, introduced by Texas Instruments in 1972



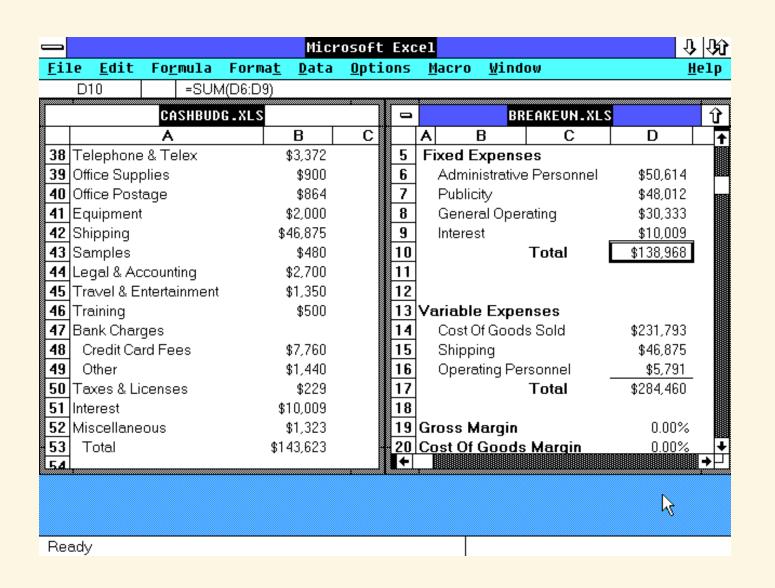
First financial calculator, introduced by HP in 1973



VisiCalc, released for Apple II in 1979

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Lotus 1-2-3, released for IBM PC in 1983



Microsoft Excel, released for Windows in 1987

MODERN TOOLS

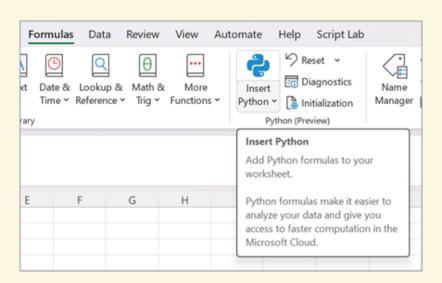




- Will Excel survive?
- Will Excel retain its dominance?

MAYBE ...





THE BEST WE HAVE TODAY (I THINK)



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WHAT JULIUS DOES

- Writes, executes, and debugs python
- Provides links to images, tables, datasets it creates
- Provides download of code (and conversation) as Jupyter notebook
- Allows us to upload our own data
- Can get some online data
- Can install any python libraries not pre-installed

WARM-UP

- Ask Julius to plot the function $y=x^2$
- Ask Julius to plot the payoff diagram of a call option with a strike of 100.
- Ask Julius to get the history of 10-year Treasury yields from FRED and plot them.
- Ask Julius to simulate 30 returns from a normal distribution with mean of 10% and standard deviation of 15% and plot the cumulative compound return.

GOOGLE COLAB

- Download the chat as a notebook.
- Go to https://colab.research.google.com/ and sign in.
- Use File/Open Notebook to open the saved notebook.
- Run the notebook cell by cell or use Runtime/Run All.

- If you want to save figures or tables created by a notebook in Colab, you can
- mount your Google drive (folder icon on left and then Google drive icon in the top toolbar on left)
- then execute code to save to "drive/MyDrive/filename.ext"
- To install additional libraries, execute, e.g., !pip install yfinance in a code cell.

TODAY'S CHATS

- Long-run risk
- Retirement planning
- Retirement planning with simulation
- Monte-Carlo option valuation
- Monte-Carlo enterprise valuation

LONG-RUN RISK

- Ask Julius to simulate how much a \$1 investment would grow to in 10 years if the investment return is normally distributed with a mean of 6% and a standard deviation of 20%.
- Ask Julius to calculate the fraction of times the investment outperforms a risk-free return of 1% over 10 years.
- Ask Julius to generate boxplots and histograms of the ending investment account balance.

RETIREMENT PLANNING

- Tell Julius you want to check if a retirement savings plan is feasible.
- Ask Julius what information you need to provide and provide it.
- Ask Julius to calculate the ending balance as a function of the rate of return over some range and plot it.

RETIREMENT PLANNING WITH SIMULATION

- Ask Julius to simulate the retirement plan assuming the annual returns are normally distributed with some mean and variance.
- Ask Julius to describe the distribution of ending account balances and to produce a boxplot and histogram.

MONTE-CARLO OPTION VALUATION

- Tell Julius you want to value a European call option by Monte Carlo. Ask Julius what information you need to provide and provide it.
- Ask Julius to value the same call option using Black-Scholes.
- Ask Julius to value a put option both ways.

ENTERPRISE VALUATION

- Give Julius the following data (from Applied):
 - A firm with no debt will have free cash flow of 100M next year.
 - The cash flow will grow by 12% per year for years 2 through 5.
 - Afterwards the cash flow will grow by 3% per year forever.
 - The firm has a 10% cost of capital and there are 44.75M shares outstanding.
- Ask Julius what the share price should be.

CHECK FOR ERRORS

- It is quite possible that Julius will make timing errors.
- You can edit the code to fix any errors.
- Check the following:
 - There should be five cash flows in the first stage.
 - The first cash flow should be 100M (no growth).
 - The terminal value should be 100M with 4 years of growth at 12% and 1 year of growth at 3% divided by (10% 3%).
 - The terminal value should be discounted back 5 years.

SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

 Ask Julius to vary the first stage growth rate between 6% and 18% and to plot the share price as a function of the growth rate.

MONTE-CARLO ENTERPRISE VALUATION I

- Now ask Julius to simulate the first-stage growth rate from a normal distribution with a mean of 12% and a standard deviation of 3%.
- Ask Julius to compute the share price in each simulation and to describe the share price distribution.
- Ask Julius to produce a histogram of the share price distribution.

MONTE-CARLO ENTERPRISE VALUATION II

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