

- 4) You are given the following information about a portfolio consisting of stocks X, Y, and Z:

Stock	Investment	Expected Return
X	10,000	8%
Y	15,000	12%
Z	25,000	16%

$$\Sigma = 50,000$$

Calculate the expected return of the portfolio.

→: R_p ... the return of the total portfolio
 $E[R_p] = ?$

$$E[R_p] = w_x \cdot E[R_x] + w_y \cdot E[R_y] + w_z \cdot E[R_z]$$

(A) 10.8%

(B) 11.4%

(C) 12.0%

(D) 12.6%

(E) 13.2%

$$w_x = \frac{10K}{50K} = 0.2$$

$$w_y = \frac{15K}{50K} = 0.3$$

$$w_z = 0.5$$

$$E[R_p] = 0.2(0.08) + 0.3(0.12) + 0.5(0.16) = 0.132$$



The Volatility of a Two-Stock Portfolio.

We index the two securities in the portfolio by $i=1,2$.

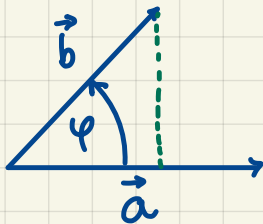
$$R_p = w_1 \cdot R_1 + w_2 \cdot R_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}[R_p] = w_1 \cdot \mathbb{E}[R_1] + w_2 \cdot \mathbb{E}[R_2]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[R_p] &= \text{Var}[w_1 \cdot R_1 + w_2 \cdot R_2] \\ &= w_1^2 \cdot \text{Var}[R_1] + w_2^2 \cdot \text{Var}[R_2] + 2w_1 \cdot w_2 \cdot \text{Cov}[R_1, R_2] \end{aligned}$$

By def'n:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}[R_1, R_2] &= \text{SD}[R_1] \cdot \text{SD}[R_2] \cdot \text{corr}(R_1, R_2) \\ &= \sigma_1 \cdot \sigma_2 \cdot \rho_{1,2} \end{aligned}$$



scalar product:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \vec{a}, \vec{b} \rangle &= \vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} \\ &= \|\vec{a}\| \cdot \|\vec{b}\| \cdot \cos(\varphi) \end{aligned}$$

The volatility of the portfolio:

$$\sigma_p = \text{SD}[R_p] = \sqrt{\text{Var}[R_p]}$$

- 3) You are given the following information about the annual returns of two stocks, X and Y :
- i) The expected returns of X and Y are $E[R_X] = 10\%$ and $E[R_Y] = 15\%$.
 - ii) The volatilities of the returns are $\sigma_X = 18\%$ and $\sigma_Y = 20\%$.
 - iii) The correlation coefficient of the returns for these two stocks is 0.25 . ✓
 - iv) The expected return for a certain portfolio, consisting only of stocks X and Y , is 12% .

Calculate the volatility of the portfolio return.

→: $\sigma_P = \sqrt{\text{Var}[R_P]}$

- (A) 10.88%
- (B) 12.56%
- (C) 13.55%
- (D) 14.96%
- (E) 16.91%

$$\text{Var}[R_P] = w_X^2 \sigma_X^2 + w_Y^2 \sigma_Y^2 + 2 \cdot w_X \cdot w_Y \cdot \sigma_X \cdot \sigma_Y \rho_{X,Y}$$

$$0.12 = E[R_P] = w_X \cdot E[R_X] + w_Y \cdot E[R_Y]$$

$$0.12 = w_X \cdot (0.10) + w_Y \cdot (0.15)$$

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 $1 - w_X$

$$0.12 = w_X(0.10 - 0.15) + 0.15$$

$$w_X = \frac{0.03}{0.05} = 0.6 \Rightarrow w_Y = 0.4$$

$$\text{Var}[R_P] = (0.6)^2 \cdot (0.18)^2 + (0.4)^2 \cdot (0.2)^2 + 2 \cdot (0.6) \cdot (0.4) \cdot (0.18)(0.2) \cdot (0.25) = 0.022384$$

$$\sigma_P = \sqrt{0.022384} = 0.1496$$



Volatility of an n-component Portfolio.

$$R_p = w_1 \cdot R_1 + w_2 \cdot R_2 + \dots + w_n \cdot R_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\text{Var}[R_p]} = \text{Cov}[\boxed{R_p} R_p]$$

$$= \text{Cov}[w_1 \cdot R_1 + w_2 \cdot R_2 + \dots + w_n \cdot R_n, R_p]$$

$$= w_1 \cdot \text{Cov}[R_1, R_p] + w_2 \cdot \text{Cov}[R_2, R_p] + \dots + w_n \cdot \text{Cov}[R_n, R_p]$$

$$= \underline{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i \cdot \text{Cov}[R_i, R_p]}$$

- 2) You are given the following information about a portfolio with four assets.

Asset	Market Value of Asset	Covariance of asset's return with the portfolio return
I	40,000	0.15
II	20,000	-0.10
III	10,000	0.20
IV	30,000	-0.05

$$\Sigma = 100K$$

Calculate the standard deviation of the portfolio return.

$\rightarrow \cdot \text{Var}[R_p] = X = 0.4(0.15) + 0.2(-0.10) + 0.1(0.20) + 0.3(-0.05)$
 $= 0.045$
 $\sigma_p = \sqrt{0.045} = 0.212$

(A) 4.50%
 (B) 13.2%
 (C) 20.0%
 (D) 21.2%
 (E) 44.7%

$w_I = \frac{40K}{100K} = 0.4$
 $w_{II} = 0.2$
 $w_{III} = 0.1$
 $w_{IV} = 0.3$

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