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Quiz #16

Required returns. CAPM assumptions.

Provide your **complete solutions** to the following problems:

Problem 16.1. (9 points) State the assumptions of the Capital Asset Pricing Model.

Problem 16.2. (2 points) You are given the following information about stock X and a portfolio P:

- The annual effective risk-free rate is 4%.
- The portfolio's expected return is 0.08 and the its volatility is 0.25.
- The expected return of stock X is 6% and its volatility is 0.4.
- The correlation between the returns of stock X and the portfolio P is -0.2.

Then, the investor holding portfolio P should invest in stock X. True or false? Why?

Problem 16.3. (2 points) Portfolio P has expected return 0.08 and volatility equal to 12%. Portfolio Q has expected return 0.10 and volatility equal to 12.5%. Then, we can say with certainty that portfolio P is not efficient. True or false? Why?

Problem 16.4. (2 points) You are given the following information about stock X and a portfolio P:

- The annual effective risk-free rate is 3%.
- The portfolio's expected return is 0.10 and the its volatility is 0.20.
- The expected return of stock X is 0.06 and its volatility is 0.30.
- The correlation between the returns of stock X and the portfolio P is -0.25.

Then, the investor holding portfolio P should invest in stock X. True or false? Why?

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