EQUITY SECURITIES

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

- ▶ What are the main features of equity instruments?
 - ► Common stock
 - ▶ Preferred stock
- ▶ What distinguishes debt and equity instruments?
- ▶ Valuing a common stock

COMMON STOCK

- ▶ Issued by corporations to raise equity capital.
- ► Represent ownership shares in the company.
 - ► Voting rights at shareholders' meetings
 - ▶ Share of earnings in the form of dividend payments
- ► Separation of ownership and management can lead to "agency problems".
- ► Shareholders are **"residual claimants"** lowest priority last in line of all those who have a claim on assets
- ► Limited liability: the most shareholders can lose is the amount they have invested
- ► No maturity

PREFERRED STOCK

- ▶ Looks like "hybrid" of bond and stock
- ► An equity instrument with bond-like features
 - ▶ Promise to pay fixed dividends
 - ▶ No voting rights
- ► And stock-like features
 - ► Firms have no contractual obligation to make dividend payments (but unpaid dividends accumulate and must be paid in full before any dividends may be paid to holders of common stock)
 - ► No specified maturity



EQUITY SECURITIES VS. DEBT SECURITIES

- ▶ Debt claims are senior to equity claims.
- ► Interest payments on debt are tax-deductible, but dividend payments are not.

MAJOR STOCK INDICES

- ► Dow Jones Industrial Average (DJIA)
- ► S&P 500
- ► NASDAQ
- ▶ Wilshire 5000 index
- ▶ Russell 2000
- ▶ Nikkei 225 (Japan)
- ► FTSE 100 (UK)
- ▶ STOXX 600 Europe
- ► Hang Seng (Hong Kong)
- ► TSX (Canada)
- ► Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI)

RETURN ON A COMMON STOCK

- ► Return to a common stock holder has two parts:
 - ► Dividends
 - ► Capital gains
- ► Suppose we buy a share of stock today at time t and sell it one year at time t+1, what is the total return?

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▶ You buy 100 shares of IBM today for \$84.40 and sell them \$102.75 in one year. And, over the next year, IBM pays a \$2.20 per share dividend. What is your total return?

SUMMARY

- ► Main differences between debt and equity instruments
- ▶ Key features of equity instruments such as
 - ► Common stock
 - ▶ Preferred stock
- ► Explain differences among major stock indices
- ▶ How to compute return on a common stock

REVIEW OF STOCK VALUATION

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

- ► How do you value stock?
- ▶ Dividend discount model

STOCK VALUATION

- ▶ Identify the expected cash flows
- ▶ Find the appropriate risk-adjusted discount rate
- ▶ Discount the expected cash flows at the appropriate risk-adjusted discount rate

STOCK VALUATION

► Suppose we buy one share of stock and we expect to hold it for one period...

STOCK VALUATION EXAMPLE

► Coke (KO) is expected to pay a dividend of \$0.71 next year, and the dividend is expected to grow by 12% forever. If investors require a 14.7% return on Coke, what should the value of Coke's stock be?

DIVIDEND DISCOUNT MODEL

- ▶ Important to note that this model is very sensitive to the estimates of r and g.
- ▶ One has to be very careful about formulae like this.

SUMMARY

- ► You learned about the how to value stock using the dividend discount model.
- ► Equity valuation involves modeling the firm's future cash flows and discounting them at the appropriately riskadjusted discount rate.