

Math Review

CFA L1 Standard

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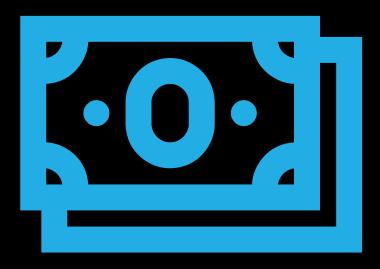


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The Time Value of Money



The Time Value of Money

- Introduction
- FV of a Single Cash Flow
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Introduction

- In short, the calculation of the time value of money involves finding equivalence between cash flows occurring on different dates.
- The real risk-free rate reflects the time preferences of individuals for current versus future real consumption.

interest rate

- $= real \ rate + inflation \ premium + default \ risk \ premium$
- + liquidity premium + maturity premium

FV of a Single Cash Flow

- A single CF or lump-sum investment
- Principle
- Interest
- (Frequency of) Compounding

$$FV_N = PV\left(1 + \frac{r_a}{m}\right)^{mN}$$

Effective Annual Rate (EAR)

 A stated annual interest rate will result in different Effective Annual Rates (EAR) depending on the compounding frequency.

$$EAR_{DT} = \left(1 + \frac{r_a}{m}\right)^m - 1$$

For continuous-time case:

$$EAR_{CT} = e^{r_a} - 1 > EAR_{DT}$$

FV of a Series of Cash Flows

- Annuity and Perpetuity.
- Equal CFs case:

$$FV_N = A \sum_{t=0}^{N-1} [(1+r)^t]$$

$$FV_N = A\left[\frac{(1+r)^N - 1}{r}\right]$$

FV of a Series of Cash Flows

Unequal CFs case:

$$FV_N = \sum_{t=1}^{T} CF_t (1+r)^{T-t}$$

From FV to PV

• Do the opposite.

$$PV_N = A \sum_{t=1}^{N} \left[\frac{1}{(1+r)^t} \right]$$

$$PV_N = A\left[\frac{1 - \frac{1}{(1+r)^N}}{r}\right]$$

From FV to PV

Unequal CFs case:

$$PV_N = \sum_{t=1}^{T} CF_t (1+r)^{-t}$$

$$FV_N = PV(1+r)^N$$

The equation above will yield the same value as the one you calculated two slides earlier.

From FV to PV

• Infinite case (when interest rates are positive):

$$PV = A \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{(1+r)^t} \right]$$

$$PV = \frac{A}{r}$$

Consol Bond

• There used to be such bond issued by British government that promised to pay a level CF forever. Say the bond paid £100 per year in perpetuity, how would you price the bond if the required rate of return were 5%?

Consol Bond

What if the first payment starts at t=5?

$$PV_4 = 2000$$

$$PV_0 = 2000/(1.05)^4$$

Application

- Now you know all the essential equations in the field of time value of money.
- By now, you should know how to use CF and r to get PV/FV.
- So automatically, you know how to use PV and FV to get r.
- If you know PV, FV, and r, you know N.
- If you know PV, r, and N, you know A.

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Statistical Concepts and Market Returns



Moments

- Mean
- Dispersion A.K.A Spread
- Skewness
- Kurtosis

Data

- Population
- Sample
- Sample Statistics
- Frequency Distribution

$$R_t = \frac{P_t + D_t - P_{t-1}}{P_{t-1}}$$

Measures of Mean

Arithmetic Mean and Geometric Mean:

$$\bar{X} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i}{n}$$

$$G = \sqrt[n]{\prod_{i=1}^{n} X_i} \Rightarrow Ln \ G = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i}{n}$$

Measures of Mean

• Why Geometric? Consider the following: You are holding a stock that worth \$100 at t=0. At t=1 it worth \$200, but it drops back to \$100 at t=2. What's the difference between using arithmetic and geometric?

$$AM = \frac{[1 + (-0.5)]}{2} = 0.25$$

$$GM = ((1+1)(1-0.5))^{\frac{1}{2}} - 1 = 0$$

Measures of Dispersion

- Range
- Mean Absolute Deviation
- Variance
- Standard Deviation

Measures of Dispersion

$$R = MAX - MIN$$

$$MAD = \frac{\sum |X - \overline{X}|}{n}$$

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum (X - \bar{X})^2}{n - 1}$$

To measure sample variance, we need to consider the degree of freedom, to make it an unbiased estimator of population variance.



Probability Concepts

Risk, Uncertainty, and Probability

Corporate Finance ≅ Risk Management

Probability

- Random Variable A(a,b,c), B(x,y,z)
- Outcomes a, b, c, x, y, z
- Event specific set of outcomes

- Unconditional Probability A.K.A Marginal Probability P(A)
- Conditional Probability P(A|B)
- Joint Probability P(AB)

Probability

Multiplication Rule for Probability:

$$P(AB) = P(A|B)P(B)$$
$$P(AB) = P(A)P(B)$$

Addition Rule for Probabilities:

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(AB)$$

Expected Value

Your portfolio:

$$P = c(w_1, w_2, \dots)$$
$$\sum w_i = 1$$

• The expected return of this portfolio:

$$E(R_p) = E(w_1R_1 + w_2R_2 + \cdots) = w_1E(R_1) + w_2E(R_2) + \cdots$$

Covariance

Definition:

$$Cov(R_i, R_j) = E[(R_i - ER_i)(R_j - ER_j)] = \sigma_{ij}$$

Recall, for sample:

$$Cov(R_i, R_j) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (R_i - \bar{R}_i)(R_j - \bar{R}_j)/(n-1)$$

Variance of Portfolio

• In general:

$$\sigma^{2}(R_{P}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} w_{i}w_{j}Cov(R_{i}, R_{j})$$

The simplest case (two assets):

$$\sigma^{2}(R_{P}) = w_{1}^{2}\sigma^{2}(R_{1}) + w_{2}^{2}\sigma^{2}(R_{2}) + 2w_{1}w_{2}Cov(R_{1}, R_{2})$$

Correlation

$$\rho(R_1, R_2) = \frac{Cov(R_1, R_2)}{\sigma(R_1)\sigma(R_2)} \in [0, 1]$$

*Bayes' Formula

• Recall:

$$P(AB) = P(A|B)P(B)$$

Financial intuition:

$$P(EVENT|INFO) = \frac{P(INFO|EVENT)}{P(INFO)}P(EVENT)$$

Update prior probability of an event when receiving new information.

*Combination and Permutation

• Combination, pick r out of n:

$$C_n^r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)! \, r!} = \frac{n \cdot n - 1 \cdot \dots \cdot n - r + 1}{r \cdot r - 1 \cdot \dots \cdot 1} = C_n^{n-r}$$

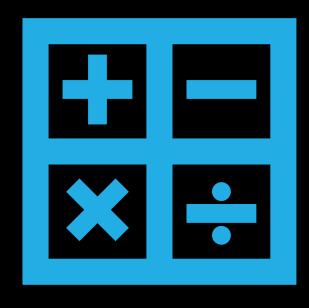
$$C_5^2 = \frac{5 \cdot 4}{2 \cdot 1} = 10 = \frac{5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = C_5^3$$

*Combination and Permutation

• Permutation, pick r out of n:

$$P_n^r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!} = n \cdot n - 1 \cdot \dots \cdot n - r + 1$$

$$P_5^2 = \frac{5 \cdot 4 \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = 5 \cdot 4 = 10$$



Mathematically, this is all you need for the course.