

Level I CF1 Education QuickSheet

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Crawling peg: Pegged exchange rate adjusted periodically.

Crawling bands: Width of margin increases over time.

Managed floating: Monetary authority acts to influence exchange rate but does not set a target.

Independently floating: Exchange rate is market determined.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT ANALYSIS

REVENUE RECOGNITION

Two requirements: (1) completion of earnings process and (2) reasonable assurance of payment.

Five-step revenue recognition model:

1. Identify contracts
2. Identify performance obligations
3. Determine transaction price
4. Allocate price to obligations
5. Recognize when (as) obligations are satisfied

UNUSUAL OR INFREQUENT ITEMS

- Gains/losses from disposal of a business segment.
- Gains/losses from sale of assets or investments in subsidiaries.
- Provisions for environmental remediation.
- Impairments, write-offs, write-downs, and restructuring costs.
- Integration expenses associated with businesses recently acquired.

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

To be accounted for as a discontinued operation, a business—assets, operations, investing, financing activities—must be physically/operationally distinct from rest of firm. Income/losses are reported net of tax after net income from continuing operations.

COMPUTE CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATIONS (CFO)

Direct method: start with cash collections (cash equivalent of sales); cash inputs (cash equivalent of cost of goods sold); cash operating expenses; cash interest expense; cash taxes.

Indirect method: start with net income, subtracting back gains and adding back losses resulting from financing or investment cash flows, adding back all noncash charges, and adding and subtracting asset and liability accounts that result from operations.

FREE CASH FLOW

Free cash flow (FCF) measures cash available for discretionary purposes. It is equal to operating cash flow less net capital expenditures.

CRITICAL RATIOS

Common-size financial statement analysis:

- Common-size balance sheet expresses all balance sheet accounts as a percentage of total assets.

- Common-size income statement expresses all income statement items as a percentage of sales.
- Common-size cash flow statement expresses each line item as a percentage of total cash inflows (outflows), or as a percentage of net revenue.

Horizontal common-size financial statement analysis: expresses each line item relative to its value in a common base period.

Liquidity ratios: $\text{current ratio} = \frac{\text{current assets}}{\text{current liabilities}}$

$\text{quick ratio} = \frac{\text{cash} + \text{marketable securities} + \text{receivables}}{\text{current liabilities}}$

$\text{cash ratio} = \frac{\text{cash} + \text{marketable securities}}{\text{current liabilities}}$

$\text{defensive interval} = \frac{\text{cash} + \text{mkt. sec.} + \text{receivables}}{\text{daily cash expenditures}}$

Receivables, inventory, payables turnover, and days supply ratios—all of which are used in the cash conversion cycle:

$\text{receivables turnover} = \frac{\text{annual sales}}{\text{average receivables}}$

$\text{inventory turnover} = \frac{\text{cost of goods sold}}{\text{average inventory}}$

$\text{payables turnover ratio} = \frac{\text{purchases}}{\text{average trade payables}}$

$\text{days of sales outstanding} = \frac{365}{\text{receivables turnover}}$

$\text{days of inventory onhand} = \frac{365}{\text{inventory turnover}}$

$\text{number of days of payables} = \frac{365}{\text{payables turnover ratio}}$

$\text{cash conversion cycle} = \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{days of inventory} \\ \text{onhand} \end{array} \right) \\ + \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{days of sales} \\ \text{outstanding} \end{array} \right) - \left(\begin{array}{c} \text{number of days} \\ \text{of payables} \end{array} \right)$

Total asset, fixed-asset, and working capital turnover ratios:

$\text{total asset turnover} = \frac{\text{revenue}}{\text{average total assets}}$

$\text{fixed asset turnover} = \frac{\text{revenue}}{\text{average fixed assets}}$

$\text{working capital turnover} = \frac{\text{revenue}}{\text{average working capital}}$

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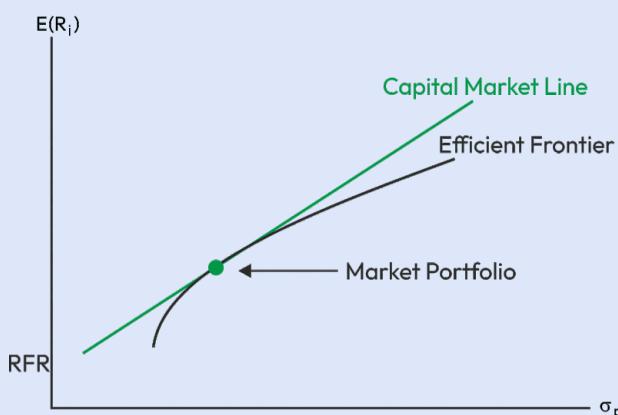
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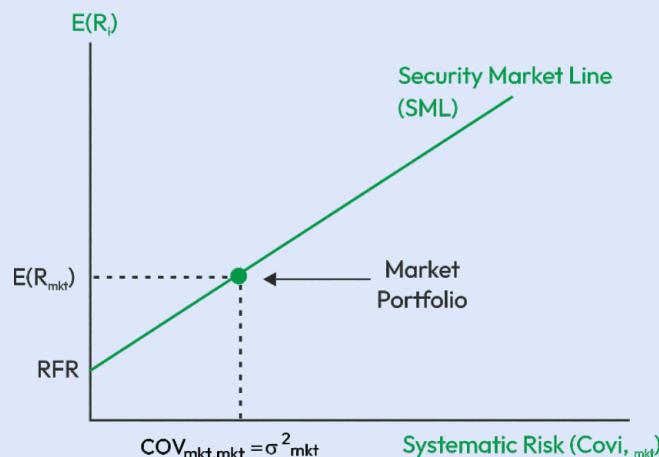
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relationship.

total risk = systematic + unsystematic risk



$$\text{CAPM: } E(R_i) = R_{FR} + \beta_i [E(R_{mkt}) - R_{FR}]$$



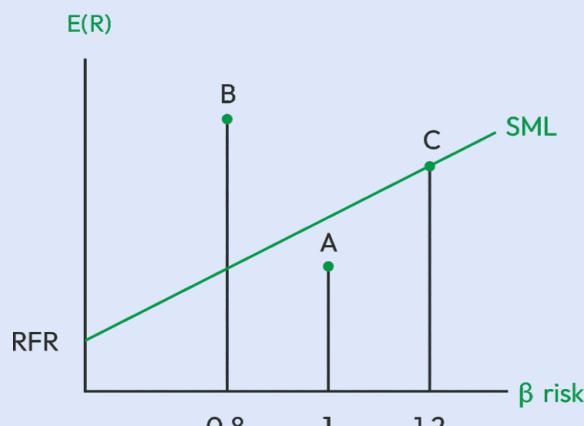
THE SML AND EQUILIBRIUM

Identifying mispriced stocks:

Consider three stocks (A, B, C) and SML.

Estimated stock returns should plot on SML.

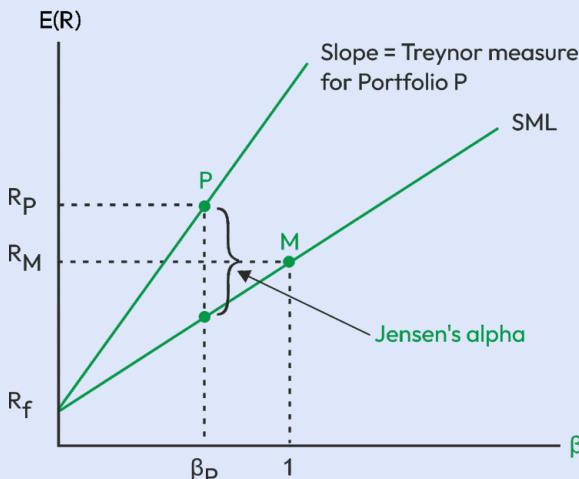
- A return plot over the line is underpriced.
- A return plot under the line is overpriced.



RISK-ADJUSTED RETURNS

Sharpe ratio and **M-squared** measure excess return per unit of total risk.

Treynor measure and **Jensen's alpha** measure excess return per unit of **systematic risk**.



BEHAVIORAL BIASES

Cognitive errors, belief perseverance: Conservatism, confirmation, representativeness, control, hindsight

Cognitive errors, information processing: Anchoring and adjustment, mental accounting, framing, availability

Emotional biases: Loss aversion, overconfidence, self-control, status quo, endowment, regret aversion

TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Reversal patterns: head and shoulders, inverse H&S, double/triple top or bottom.

Continuation patterns: triangles, rectangles, pennants, flags.

Price-based indicators: moving averages, Bollinger bands, momentum oscillators (rate of change, RSI, stochastic, MACD).

Sentiment indicators: put/call ratio, VIX, margin debt.

ETHICAL AND PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

STANDARDS OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

I. Professionalism

- A. Knowledge of the Law
- B. Independence and Objectivity
- C. Misrepresentation
- D. Misconduct

II. Integrity of Capital Markets

- A. Material Nonpublic Information
- B. Market Manipulation

III. Duties to Clients

- A. Loyalty, Prudence, and Care
- B. Fair Dealing
- C. Suitability
- D. Performance Presentation
- E. Preservation of Confidentiality

IV. Duties to Employers

- A. Loyalty

- B. Additional Compensation Arrangements
- C. Responsibilities of Supervisors

V. Investment Analysis, Recommendations, and Actions

- A. Diligence and Reasonable Basis
- B. Communication with Clients and Prospective Clients
- C. Record Retention

VI. Conflicts of Interest

- A. Disclosure of Conflicts
- B. Priority of Transactions
- C. Referral Fees

VII. Responsibilities as a CFA Institute Member or CFA Candidate

- A. Conduct as Participants in CFA Institute Programs
- B. Reference to CFA Institute, the CFA Designation, and the CFA Program

GLOBAL INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Definition of firm: Corporation, subsidiary, or division held out to clients as a business entity. All fee-paying discretionary portfolios must be included in at least one composite.

Verification: Optional, but if chosen it must be carried out by an independent third party.

GIPS standards for firms:

1. Fundamentals of Compliance
2. Input Data and Calculation Methodology
3. Composite and Pooled Fund Maintenance
4. Composite Time-Weighted Return Report
5. Composite Money-Weighted Return Report
6. Pooled Fund Time-Weighted Return Report
7. Pooled Fund Money-Weighted Return Report
8. GIPS Advertising Guidelines