

MATH 2090.

Assignment 9.

Q1. Portfolio (100, 40);
Portfolio Value: -

$$V(t) = 100S(t) + 40B(t)$$

(a) Initial Value $V(0) = 100 \times 50 + 40 \times 100$
 $= 9,000$
ie. \$9,000

Values at $t=1$: -

$$V(1) = \begin{cases} 100 \times 80 + 40 \times 110; \text{ prob. } 0.75. \\ 100 \times 40 + 40 \times 110; \text{ prob. } 0.25. \end{cases}$$
$$= \begin{cases} 12,400; \text{ prob. } 0.75. \\ 8,400; \text{ prob. } 0.25. \end{cases}$$

(b) Yields:

$$i_V = \frac{V(1) - V(0)}{V(0)}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{12,400 - 9,000}{9,000}; \text{ prob. } 0.75. \\ \frac{8,400 - 9,000}{9,000}; \text{ prob. } 0.25. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{ie. } i_V = \begin{cases} 0.377'; \text{ prob. } 0.75. \\ -0.066'; \text{ prob. } 0.25. \end{cases}$$

(c) Question not clear return is the profit:

$$V(1) - V(0) = \begin{cases} 3,400; \text{ prob. } 0.75 \\ -6,000; \text{ prob. } 0.25. \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Expected return is } E(V(1) - V(0)) = 3,400 \times 0.75 - 6,000 \times 0.25$$
$$= 2,400$$

$$\text{ie. } \underline{\$2,400}$$

$$\text{Expected yield is } E(i_V) = 0.377' \times 0.75 - 0.066' \times 0.25$$
$$= 0.266'$$

(d) Risk is measured by the standard deviation of \hat{w}

$$\text{i.e. } \sigma_{\hat{w}} = \sqrt{\left\{ (0.377' - 0.266')^2 \times 0.75 \right. \\ \left. + (-0.066' - 0.266')^2 \times 0.25 \right\}}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \hat{=} 0.192450$$

i.e. a 'risk' of 19.2450 %

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(a)
Bob: (150, 150) : $V(t) = 150S(t) + 150B(t)$

$$\Rightarrow V(0) = 150 \times 100 + 150 \times 100 = 30000$$

i.e. initial cost is \$30,000.

Yield: $i_v = \frac{150S(1) + 150B(1) - 30000}{30000}$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{215 \times 150 - 30000}{30000}, \text{ prob. } 0.75 \\ \frac{195 \times 150 - 30000}{30000}, \text{ prob. } 0.25 \end{cases}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0.075, \text{ probability } 0.75 \\ -0.025, \text{ probability } 0.25 \end{cases}$$

Expected Yield, $E(i_v) = 0.075 \times 0.75 - 0.025 \times 0.25 = 0.05$

Expected yield is 5%.

Sally:

(100, 200) : $V(t) = 100S(t) + 200B(t)$
 $= 30,000$

i.e. initial cost is \$30,000.

Yield $i_v = \begin{cases} \frac{200 \times 160 - 30000}{30000}, \text{ prob. } 0.75 \\ \frac{100 \times 300 - 30000}{30000}, \text{ prob. } 0.25 \end{cases}$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{15}, \text{ prob. } 0.75 \\ 0, \text{ prob. } 0.25 \end{cases}$$

Expected yield, $E(i_v) = \frac{1}{15} \times 0.75 = 0.05$

Expected yield is 5%

So Bob's and Sally's portfolios have the same initial cost and the same expected yield.

* For Bob's portfolio:

$$\sigma_{i_v} = \sqrt{\left\{ (0.075 - 0.05)^2 \times 0.75 + (-0.025 - 0.05)^2 \times 0.25 \right\}}$$

$$\doteq 0.0433013$$

So the risk for Bob's portfolio is $\doteq \underline{\underline{4.33\%}}$.

* For Sally's portfolio:

$$\sigma_{i_v} = \sqrt{\left\{ \left(\frac{1}{15} - 0.05\right)^2 \times 0.75 + (0 - 0.05)^2 \times 0.25 \right\}}$$

$$\doteq 0.0288675$$

So the risk for Sally's portfolio is $\doteq \underline{\underline{2.89\%}}$.

So Sally's portfolio should be preferred to Bob's — the expected returns are the same but Sally's risk is quite a bit lower.

(c) For the portfolio (0, 300) we have:—

$$V(t) = 300 B(t)$$

$$V(0) = 300 \times 100 = 30\,000$$

i.e. initial cost is \$30,000, as before.

$$\text{Yield: } L_v = \frac{300 B(1) - 30000}{30\,000}$$

$$= \frac{5}{100} = \underline{\underline{0.05}} \quad \text{as before}$$

And as noted in lectures $\sigma_{i_v} = 0$ for the 'risk free bonds'.

3.

We note that $Y = \alpha X + \beta = \begin{cases} \alpha X_1 + \beta, & \text{probability } p_1 \\ \alpha X_2 + \beta, & \text{probability } p_2 \end{cases}$
($p_1 + p_2 = 1$)

Consequently, $E(Y) = (\alpha X_1 + \beta) p_1 + (\alpha X_2 + \beta) p_2$
 $= \alpha (X_1 p_1 + X_2 p_2) + \beta (p_1 + p_2)$
 $= \alpha E(X) + \beta$
as $E(X) = X_1 p_1 + X_2 p_2$
and $p_1 + p_2 = 1$.

Now, $i_v = \frac{x S(0) i_s + y B(0) i_b}{x S(0) + y B(0)}$

Note that on the r.h.s on i_s is a random variable: $\alpha = \frac{x S(0)}{x S(0) + y B(0)}$ and $\beta = \frac{y B(0) i_b}{x S(0) + y B(0)}$

are constants so $i_v = \alpha X + \beta$, where $X = i_s$

Apply previous formula with $Y = i_v$, so

$$E(i_v) = \alpha E(X) + \beta$$
$$= \alpha E(i_s) + \beta$$
$$= \frac{x S(0)}{x S(0) + y B(0)} E(i_s) + \frac{y B(0) i_b}{x S(0) + y B(0)}$$
$$= \frac{x S(0) E(i_s) + y B(0) i_b}{x S(0) + y B(0)}$$

4.

$$(a) F = (1+i_B)S(0); \quad i_B = \frac{110-100}{100} = 0.1, \text{ as}$$

$$F = 1.1 \times 50 = 55. \quad \text{Contract price is } \$55.$$

$$(b) \quad V(0) = 20 \times 50 + 100 \times 100 \\ = 11,000.$$

$$V(1) = 20 \times S(1) + 100 \times 110 + 10 \times (S(1) - F) \\ = 30S(1) + 11000 - 55 \times 10 \\ = 30S(1) + 10,450.$$

$$\text{Yields: } i_v = \frac{V(1) - V(0)}{V(0)} = \frac{30S(1) - 550}{11000}.$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0.1, & \text{probability } 0.75, \\ 0.0754545, & \text{probability } 0.25. \end{cases}$$

Expected yield:

$$E(i_v) = 0.1 \times 0.75 + 0.0754545 \times 0.25 \\ = 0.0938636$$

i.e. expected yield is (approximately) 9.39%.

(c) Standard deviation for yield: -

$$\sigma_{i_v} = \sqrt{\left\{ [0.1 - 0.0938636]^2 \times 0.75 + [0.0754545 - 0.0938636]^2 \times 0.25 \right\}}$$

$$\approx 0.0106254$$

i.e. risk of about 1.06%.