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Formulae

1. Stocks

• According to the CAPM, a company *i* required return = OCC = k, where

$$k = r_f + \beta_i (E[r_m] - r_f)$$

• If the company is expected to pay dividend D_t in year t from now, then today spot price of one share of the company is

$$S_0 = \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \frac{D_t}{(1+k)^t}$$

• If dividends are expected to grow at a constant rate g < k, then

$$S_0 = \frac{D_1}{k - g}$$

• If in every year t the company reinvests a fraction b of its (per share) earning E_t to grow, and the reinvested capital generate a return of ROE, then

i)
$$g = b \times ROE$$

ii)
$$E_{t+1} = E_t \times (1+g)$$

- iii) $D_{t+1} = D_t \times (1+g)$ iv) $S_0 = \frac{E_1 \times (1-b)}{k-b \times ROE}$
- The present value of growth opportunity is equal to $S_0 \frac{E_1}{k}$

2. Bonds

Let c = bond's coupon; N = bond's face value; z = frequency of payments of the coupon in a year (ex. once per year, twice per year, etc.); S_0 = spot price of the bond; t_i = the time (in years) you have to wait to receive *i*-th coupon; T = bond's maturity, i.e. the time (in years) you have to wait to receive the last coupon and the face value.

Then:

- The bond's coupon rate $=\frac{z \times c}{N}$
- The bond's current yield $= \frac{z \times c}{S_0}$
- The bond's yield to maturity is the y such that

$$S_0 = \frac{c}{(1+y)^{t_1}} + \frac{c}{(1+y)^{t_2}} + \dots + \frac{N+c}{(1+y)^T}$$

If $t_1 = 1, t_2 = 2, \dots, t_i = i, \dots, T = n$, then

$$S_0 = \frac{c}{y} \left(1 - \frac{1}{(1+y)^n} \right) + \frac{N}{(1+y)^n}$$

• The yield to maturity of a zero-coupon-bond with maturity in T years from now is

$$r_t = \left(\frac{N}{S_0}\right)^{\frac{1}{T}} - 1$$

• The forward rate for investing from time t to time t' > t is

$$r(t,t') = \left(\frac{(1+r_{t'})^{t'}}{(1+r_t)^t}\right)^{\frac{1}{t'-t}} - 1$$

• The no-arbitrage spot price of a bond satisfies:

$$S_0 = \frac{c}{(1+r_{t_1})^{t_1}} + \frac{c}{(1+r_{t_2})^{t_2}} + \dots + \frac{N+c}{(1+r_T)^T}$$

- The yield curve is flat at r if for all dates t, one has $r_T = r$.
- Suppose the yield curve is flat, then a bond's duration is

$$D = \frac{\left(t_1 \frac{c}{(1+r)^{t_1}} + t_2 \frac{c}{(1+r)^{t_2}} + \dots + T \frac{N+c}{(1+r)^T}\right)}{S_0}$$

• If a flat yield curve suddenly shift from r to $r' = r + \Delta$ then the spot price of the bond will move from S_0 to S'_0 , where

$$\frac{S_0' - S_0}{S_0} \simeq -D\frac{\Delta}{1+r}$$

3. Forward contracts

Consider a forward contract with maturity T. Suppose that the spot price of the underlying asset is S_0 and that before T the underlying assets pays cashflows at time $t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_n < T$. Let I_{t_i} be the cashflow paid at time t_i . Then the no-arbotrage forward price is

$$F_{0,T} = \left(S_0 - \frac{I_{t_1}}{(1+r_{t_1})^{t_1}} - \frac{I_{t_2}}{(1+r_{t_2})^{t_2}} - \dots - \frac{I_{t_n}}{(1+r_{t_n})^{t_n}}\right) (1+r_T)^T$$

Remarks

- If the underling assets pays no cashflows before T, then $I_{t_i} = 0, \forall t_i$, and $F_{0,T} = S_0(1 + r_T)^T$.
- If the underlying asset is a commodity then $I_{t_i} < 0$ and can be interpreted as the storage costs of the commodity.

4. **Options**

Let K = the strike price of the option, T = the maturity of the option, S_t = be the spot price of the underling asset at time t, C_0 = the premium of a call option and P_0 = the premium of a put option.

Then:

- at time T
 - The payoff from a long position in a Eu call option is

$$C_T = \max\{0, S_T - K\}$$

- The payoff from a short position in a Eu call option is

$$-C_T$$

- The payoff from a long position in a Eu put option is

$$P_T = \max\{0, K - S_T\}$$

- The payoff from a short position in a Eu put option is

$$-P_T$$

• Put-call parity:

$$C_0 = P_0 + S_0 - \frac{K}{(1+r_T)^T}$$

or equivalently

$$P_0 = C_0 - S_0 + \frac{K}{(1+r_T)^T}$$

• Arbitrage bounds: If at least one of the following inequalities is NOT satisfied, then there is an arbitrage opportunity:

$$\max\left\{S_0 - \frac{K}{(1+r_T)^T}, 0\right\} < C_0 < S_0$$
$$\max\left\{\frac{K}{(1+r_T)^T} - S_0, 0\right\} < P_0 < \frac{K}{(1+r_T)^T}$$

• Binomial model and no arbitrage price .

Suppose that at time t the spot price of the underlying asset is either $S_T = u \times S_0$ or $S_T = d \times S_0$, where $d < (1 + r_T)^T < u$.

For any given option, let C_u be the option payoff at T if $S_T = u \times S_0$, and let C_d be the option payoff at T if $S_T = d \times S_0$.

For example if the option is an Eu call option $C_u = \max\{0, u \times S_0 - K\}$ and $C_d = \max\{0, d \times S_0 - K\}$.

Then:

- Today I can replicate the option by buying n_S underling asset and invest n_B in a ZCB with maturity T (n.b. if n_B is negative you short sell the ZCB). Where:

$$n_S = \frac{C_u - C_d}{(u - d)S}$$
$$n_B = \frac{u \times C_d - d \times C_u}{(u - d)(1 + r_T)^T}$$

- The no arbitrage premium of the option is

$$C_0 = \frac{C_u - C_d}{(u - d)} + \frac{u \times C_d - d \times C_u}{(u - d)(1 + r_T)^T}$$
$$= \frac{p \times C_u + (1 - p) \times C_d}{(1 + r_T)^t}$$

where

$$p = \frac{(1+r_T)^T - d}{u - d} \in (0, 1)$$

is the risk neutral probability.