

# Test 1

Financial Investments  
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## Solution

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1. A trader has purchased on margin 1000 shares of a company at \$30 per share, paying a total purchase commission of \$10, with a leverage ratio of 1.25 and a call money rate of 10% annually. After 1 year, the trader receives a dividend 1\$ per share and immediately after that goes takes a short position in asset at \$40/share. Assuming that the sale and buy commissions are equal. What is the total rate of return for the investor after 1 year. How this result is compared for a non-margin purchase (without leverage)?

- $Q = 1000, P_0 = 30, C_{buy} = 10, L = 1.2, r = 10\%$ .
- $D = 1, P_1 = 40, C_{sale} = 10$ .

$$L = \frac{1}{\text{Equity}} \rightarrow \text{Equity} = 0.8 \rightarrow \text{Debt} = 0.2$$

- Total Initial investment:  $\text{Equity} * P_0 * Q + C_{buy} = 24000 + 10 = 24010$ .
- End of period:
  - Proceed on sales:  $P_1 * Q = 40000$
  - Loan payment = Debt \*  $P_0 * Q = 6000$
  - Margin interest paid:  $r * \text{Debt} * P_0 * Q = 600$
  - Income from dividends:  $D * Q = 1000$
  - Sale commission:  $C_{sale} = 10$
  - Remaining equity:  $40000 - 6000 - 600 + 1000 - 10 = 34390$
- Return of the investment

$$R = \frac{34390 - 24010}{24010} = \frac{10380}{24010} = 43.23\%$$

- Without leverage:
  - Alternative 1: Same initial investment (24010).
    - \* 10 on buy commission ( $C_{buy} = 10$ ) and \$24000 in the stock ( $24000/30=800$  shares).
    - \* Proceed on sales:  $P_1 * 800 = 32000$ .
    - \* Income from dividends:  $D * 800 = 800$
    - \*  $C_{sale} = 10$ .
    - \* Return:
$$R = \frac{32790 - 24010}{24010} = \frac{7980}{24010} = 36.57\%$$
  - Alternative 2: Purchase 1000 shares without debt
    - \* 10 on buy commission ( $C_{buy} = 10$ ) and \$30000 in the stock
    - \* Proceed on sales:  $P_1 * 1000 = 40000$ .
    - \* Income from dividends:  $D * 1000 = 1000$
    - \*  $C_{sale} = 10$ .

\* Return:

$$R = \frac{40990 - 30010}{30010} = \frac{10980}{30010} = 36.59\%$$

– In both cases, the return is lower. Then, the leverage enhances the rate of return.

2. An analyst gathers the following information for a market-cap-weighted index comprised of assets MNO, QRS, and XYZ.

Security	Beginning of Period Price (¥)	End of Period Price (¥)	Dividends Per Share (¥)	Shares Outstanding
MNO	2,500	2,700	100	5,000
QRS	3,500	2,500	150	7,500
XYZ	1,500	1,600	100	10,000

(a) Compute the price return of the index.

• Alternative 1:

– Beginning of period (BOP):

$$\begin{aligned} I_0 &= \frac{2500 \cdot 5000 + 3500 \cdot 7500 + 1500 \cdot 10000}{D} \\ &= \frac{12500000 + 26250000 + 15000000}{D} \\ &= \frac{53750000}{D} \end{aligned}$$

– End of period (EOP):

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \frac{2700 \cdot 5000 + 2500 \cdot 7500 + 1600 \cdot 10000}{D} \\ &= \frac{13500000 + 18750000 + 16000000}{D} \\ &= \frac{48250000}{D} \end{aligned}$$

– Price return of the index:

$$R = \frac{I_1 - I_0}{I_0} = \frac{\frac{48250000}{D} - \frac{53750000}{D}}{\frac{53750000}{D}} = \frac{48250000 - 53750000}{53750000} = -10.23\%$$

• Alternative 2

–  $MC_1 = 5000 * 2500 = 12500000$

–  $MC_2 = 7500 * 3500 = 26250000$

–  $MC_3 = 10000 * 1500 = 15000000$

– Total market capitalization:  $TMC = \sum_i MC_i = 53750000$

– Weights:  $w_1 = \frac{12500000}{53750000} = 0.2325$ ;  $w_2 = \frac{26250000}{53750000} = 0.4883$ ;  $w_3 = \frac{15000000}{53750000} = 0.2791$

– Individual returns:

$$R^1 = \frac{2700 - 2500}{2500} = 8\%$$

$$R^2 = \frac{2500 - 3500}{3500} = -28.57\%$$

$$R^3 = \frac{1600 - 1500}{1500} = 6.67\%$$

– Price return of the index:

$$R = w_1 R^1 + w_2 R^2 + w_3 R^3 = 0.0186 - 0.1395 + 0.0186 = -10.23\%$$

(b) Compute the total return of the index.

- The total return also includes the income/dividend gains along the period.
- Total dividend gains:

$$\frac{\text{Inc}_1}{D} = \frac{(5000 * 100) + (7500 * 150) + (10000 * 100)}{D} = \frac{2625000}{D}$$

- Total return of the index:

$$TR = \frac{I_1 - I_0 + \text{Inc}_1}{I_0} = -5.35\%$$

- Alternatively:

$$TR = w_1 (R^1 + 100) + w_2 (R^2 + 150) + w_3 (R^3 + 100) = -5.35\%$$

(c) How the results change if we consider a price-weighted scheme.

- Price-weighted value of the index (BOP):

$$I_0 = \frac{2500 + 3500 + 1500}{D} = \frac{7500}{D}$$

- Price-weighted value of the index (EOP):

$$I_1 = \frac{2700 + 2500 + 1600}{D} = \frac{6800}{D}$$

- Return of the index (price-weighted):

$$PR_I = \frac{I_1 - I_0}{I_0} = -9.33\%$$

- Total dividend gains (price-weighted):

$$\frac{\text{Inc}_1}{D} = \frac{100 + 150 + 100}{D} = \frac{350}{D}$$

- Total return of the index (price-weighted):

$$TR_I = \frac{I_1 - I_0 + \text{Inc}_1}{I_0} = -4.67\%$$

3. An investor who owns a bond with a 4% coupon rate that pays interest quarterly and matures in two years is considering its sale. If the required market discount rate is 12%, compute the present value of the bond per 100 of par value. Is this bond traded at premium, discount or par?

- Bond valuation: sum of the discounted cash flows.

$$\begin{aligned} PV &= \sum_{n=1}^8 \frac{C/4}{(1+r/4)^n} + \frac{FV}{(1+r/4)^8} \\ &= \frac{1}{1.03} + \frac{1}{(1.03)^2} + \frac{1}{(1.03)^3} + \frac{1}{(1.03)^4} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{(1.03)^5} + \frac{1}{(1.03)^6} + \frac{1}{(1.03)^7} + \frac{101}{(1.03)^8} \\ &= 85.96 \end{aligned}$$

- The bond is traded at discount.  $PV < FV$ .  $r > C$ .

4. A bond with a 4% coupon and maturity on Sep 1, 2025, pays interest in the following calendar days: 1 Mar, 1 June, 1 Sep, 1 Dec. If the market discount rate is 12%, What is the full and clean price of the bond today (Nov 1, 2023) per 100 of par value?

- Today: 01.11.23. 2 months ( $\sim 60$  days) after the last coupon payment.
- Coupon rate: 4% annual; i.e., 1% quarterly.
- Discount rate: 12% annual, i.e., 3% quarterly.
- Next payment dates: 1Dec23, 1Mar24, 1Jun24, 1Sep24, 1Dec24, 1Mar24, 1Jun24, and 1Sep24. 8 periods.
- The bond price  $V$  per 100 of par value on Sep 1, immediately after the coupon payment is given by (same equation as in exercise 4):

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{1\text{Sep}23} &= \sum_{n=1}^8 \frac{1}{(1.03)^n} + \frac{100}{(1.03)^8} \\
 &= \frac{1}{1.03} + \frac{1}{(1.03)^2} + \frac{1}{(1.03)^3} + \frac{1}{(1.03)^4} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{(1.03)^5} + \frac{1}{(1.03)^6} + \frac{1}{(1.03)^7} + \frac{101}{(1.03)^8} \\
 &= 85.96
 \end{aligned}$$

- Then, the full price of the bond today is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_{1\text{Nov}23} &= V_{1\text{Sep}23} (1 + 0.03)^{\frac{2}{3}} \\
 &= 87.67
 \end{aligned}$$

- The accrued interest from the last coupon payment is:

$$AI_{1\text{Nov}23} = 1 * \frac{2}{3} = 0.67$$

- Thus, the clean price for the bond:

$$V_{1\text{Nov}23}^{\text{Clean}} = V_{1\text{Nov}23} - AI = 87.00$$

5. A bond traded at 105 per 100 of par value has a maturity equal to 2 years and semiannual coupons of 5 percent. Find the yield to maturity.

- Bond valuation equation:

$$105 = \frac{2.5}{(1 + \frac{r}{2})} + \frac{2.5}{(1 + \frac{r}{2})^2} + \frac{2.5}{(1 + \frac{r}{2})^3} + \frac{102.5}{(1 + \frac{r}{2})^4}$$

- To find  $r$ , we assigns values to  $r$  in a way that the partial sum of the right-hand side matches the left-hand side (105). Since the bond is traded at premium (105 > 100) is clear that that the coupon rate (5%) is higher than the discount rate. In particular we obtain:

$$r \approx 2.42\%$$