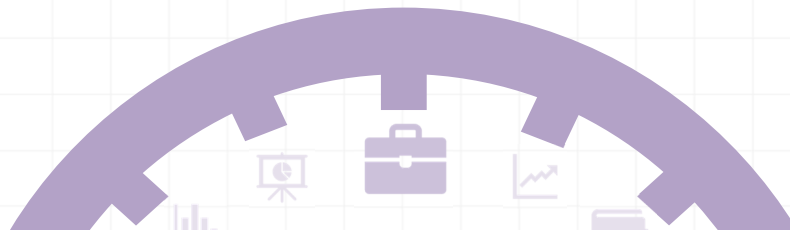




Portfolio Risk and Return

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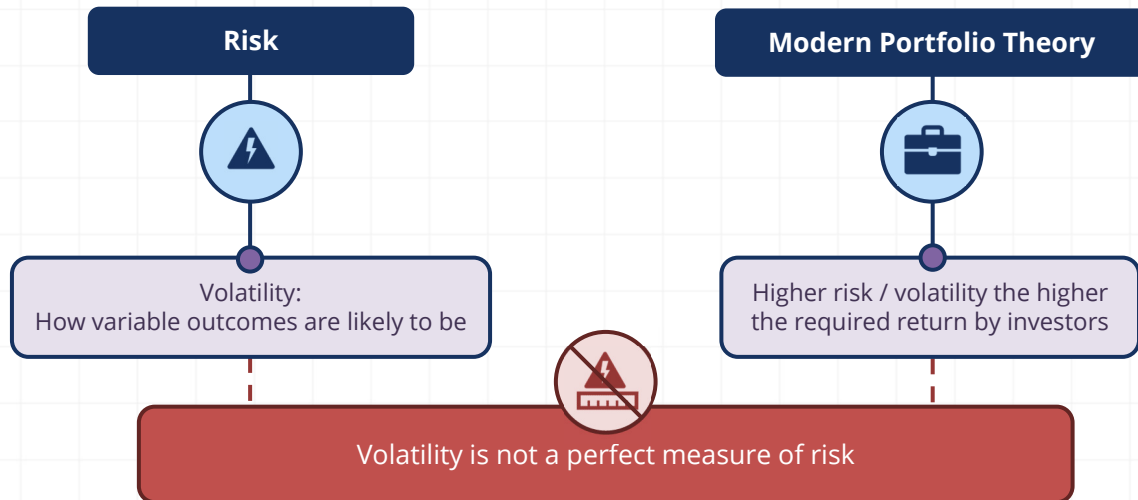
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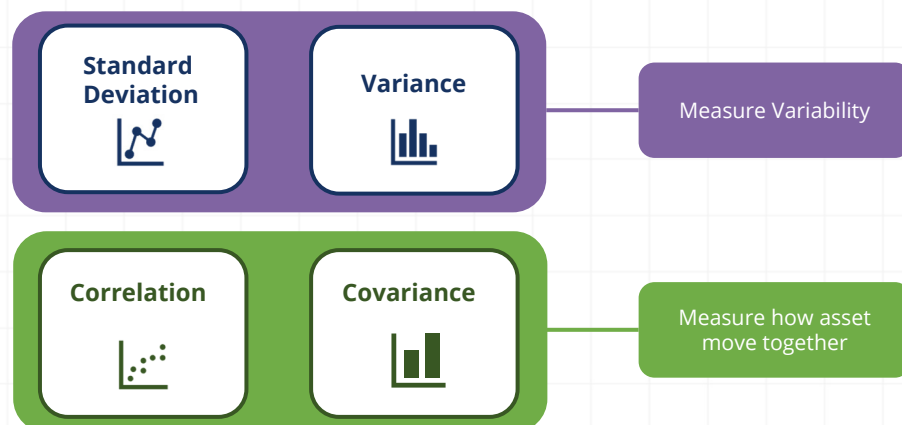
Portfolio Risk Measures (Recap)

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Volatility is the most popular way of expressing, understanding, and quantifying risk of investments and portfolios

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Risk can be defined by the varying degree of prices over a period of time



These measures were covered in Module 1, but they are important to review

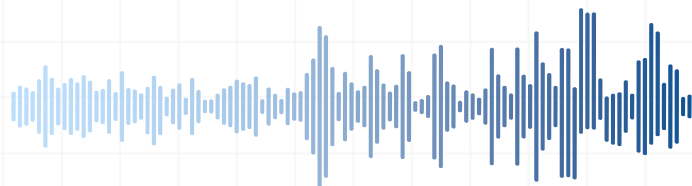
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Measuring Risk and Variability

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Risk = **Variability of Values or Outcomes**

LESS VARIABILITY



MORE VARIABILITY



Cash, bank deposits,
governments bonds



Corporate
Bonds

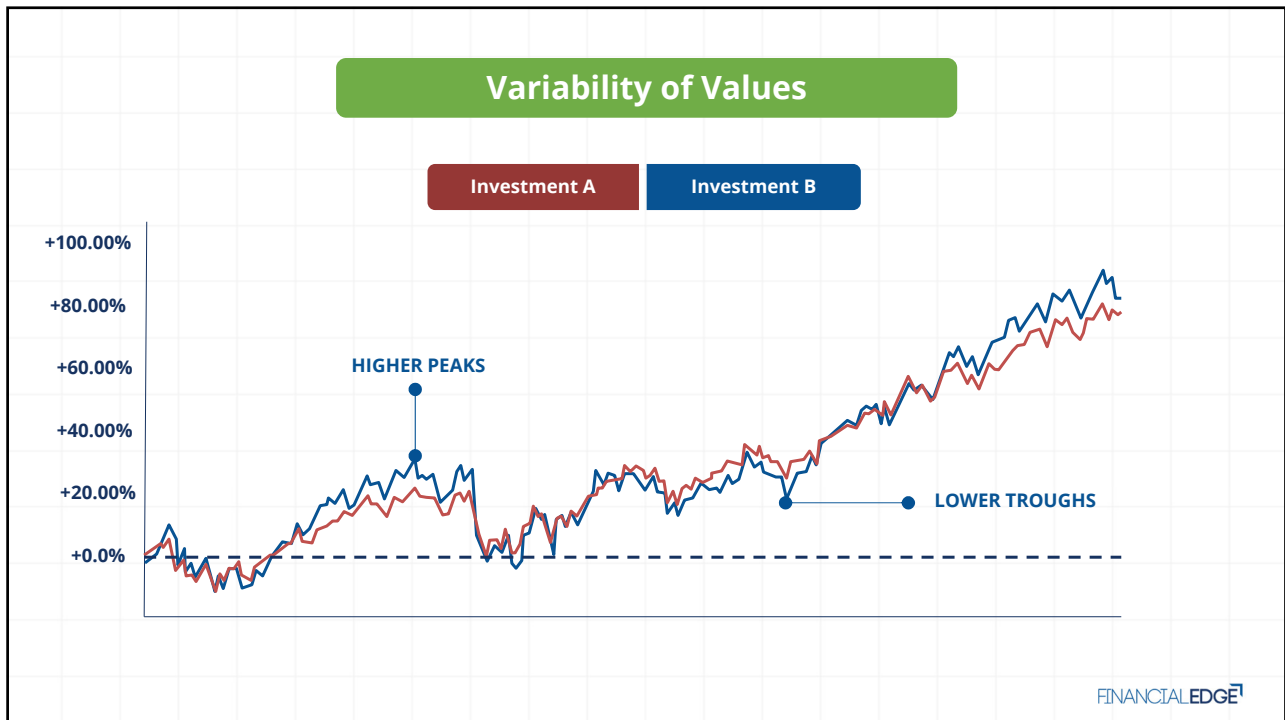


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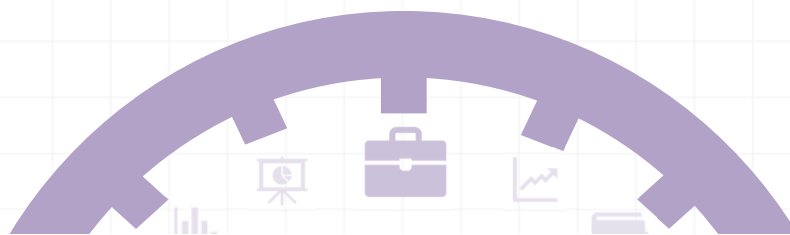
Emerging Market
Equities, Startups

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Asset Variability (1926 - 2019)					
	COMPOUND ANNUAL RETURN	ARITHMETIC ANNUAL RETURN	RISK (STANDARD DEVIATION)	RETURN DISTRIBUTION	
SMALL STOCKS*	11.9%	16.3%	28.1%		<div style="border: 2px solid #8B4513; padding: 5px; text-align: center; color: #8B4513;">MORE VARIABILITY HIGHER RISK</div> <div style="margin: 10px 0;">↑</div> <div style="border: 2px solid #008000; padding: 5px; text-align: center; color: #008000;">MORE VARIABILITY HIGHER RISK</div> <div style="margin: 10px 0;">↓</div>
LARGE STOCKS	10.2%	12.1%	18.6%		
GOVERNMENT BONDS	5.5%	6.0%	8.5%		
TREASURY BILLS	3.3%	3.4%	0.9%		

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Components of Risk

The **risk associated with any asset or security** has two components



TOTAL RISK

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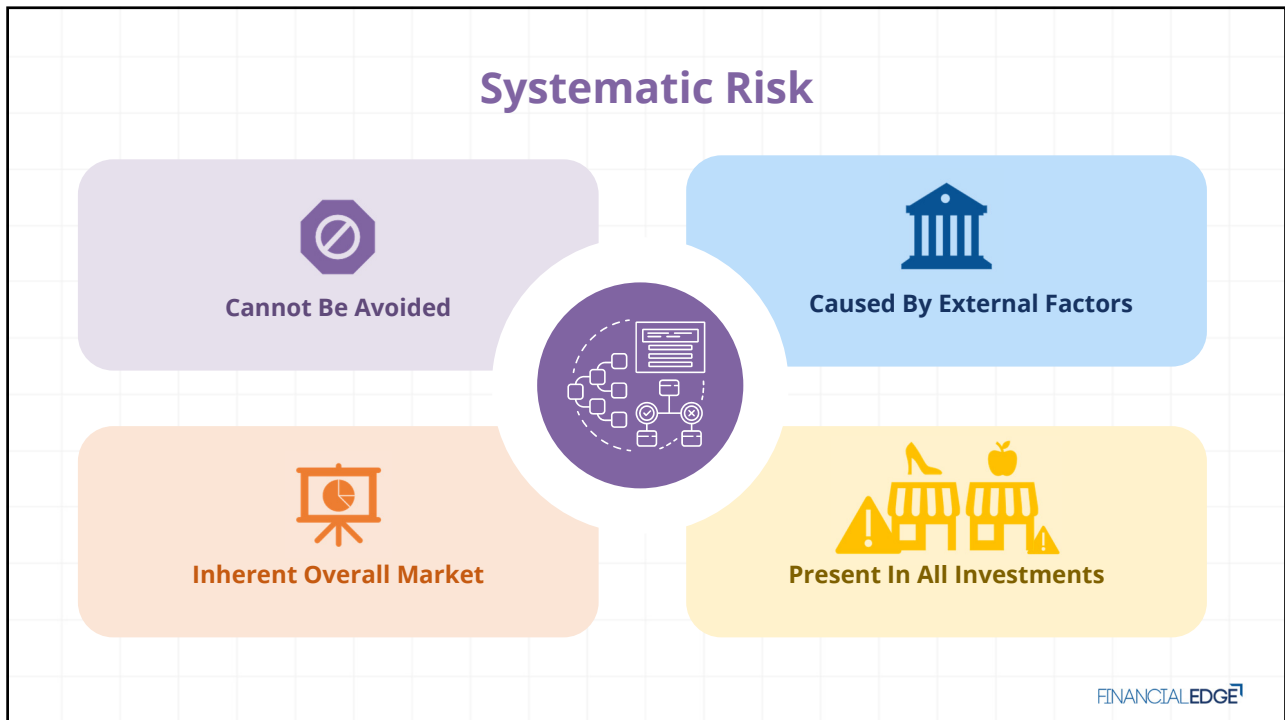










SYSTEMATIC RISK

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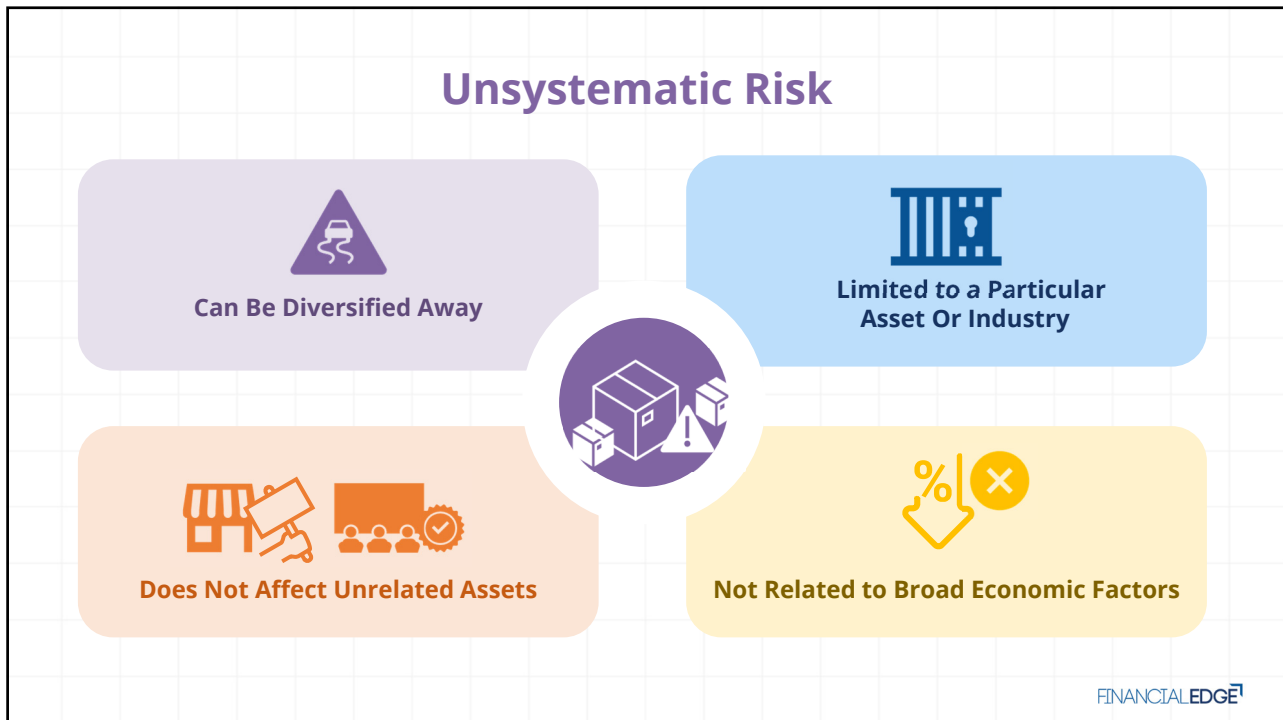








UNSYSTEMATIC RISK



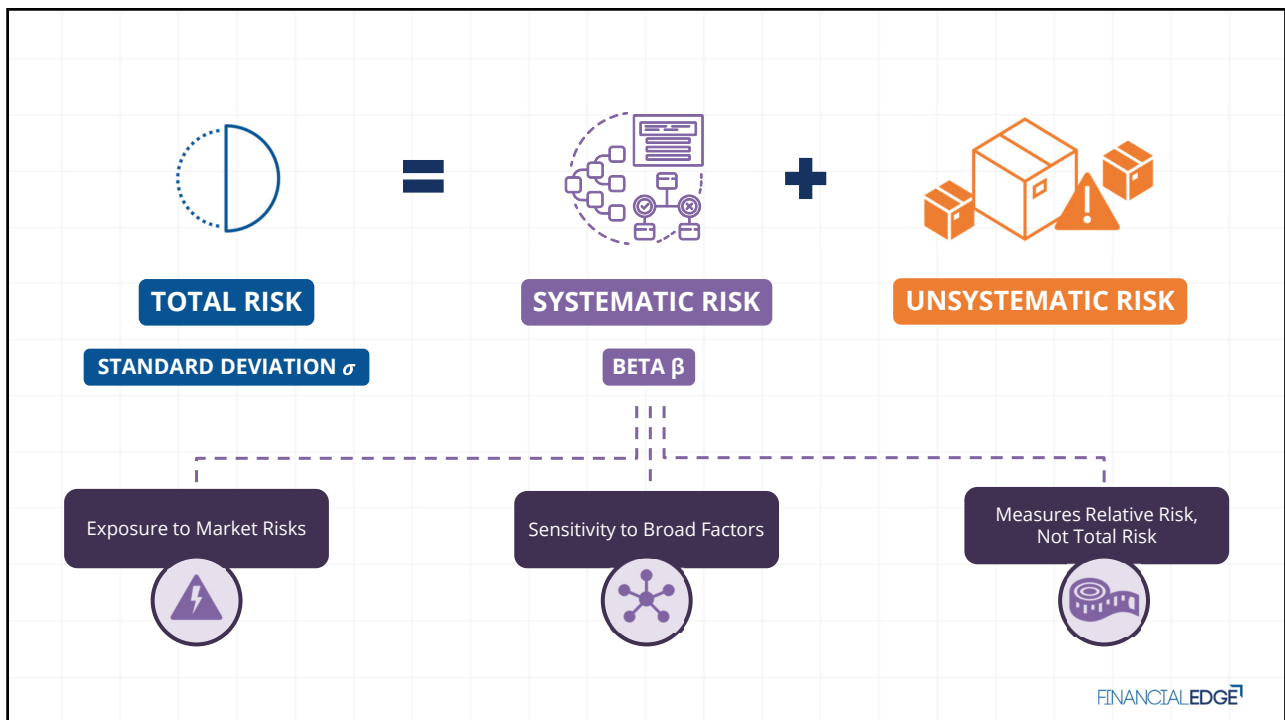
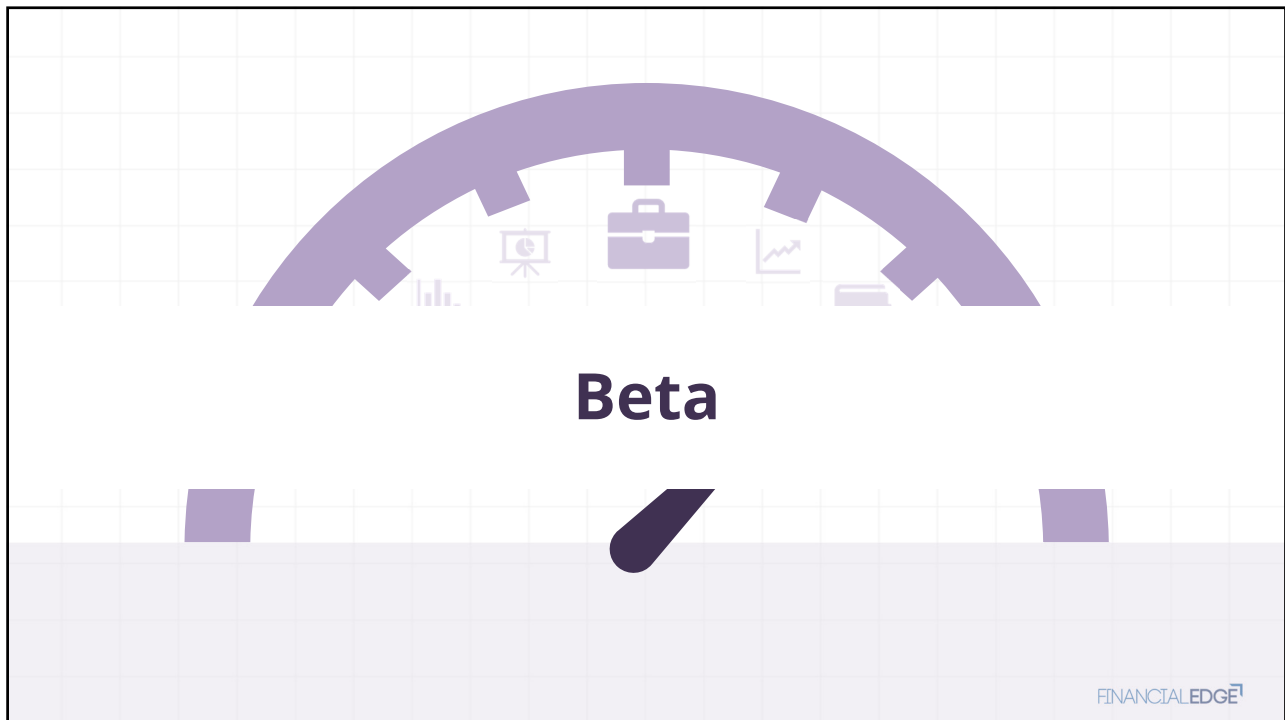
OTHER NAMES			
Market Risk	Non-Diversifiable Risk	Macroeconomic Risk	
EXAMPLES			
 Real Interest Rates	 Economic Growth	 Natural Disasters / Pandemics	 Currency Fluctuations
 Inflation	 Political Forces	 Credit / Default	 Foreign Policy / Conflict

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OTHER NAMES			
Specific Risk of Firm Risk	Diversifiable Risk	Residual Risk	Idiosyncratic Risk
EXAMPLES			
 Failed Drug Approval	 Airline Crash	 Accounting Fraud	
 Labor Strike	 Management Change	 Legal Or Regular Actions	

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Interpreting Beta

Beta for the market = 1



Asset Beta > 1



Example

Market return
(above risk free rate) = 10%

Asset Beta = 1.4

Asset Return = $1.4 \times 10\% = 14\%$
(above risk free rate)

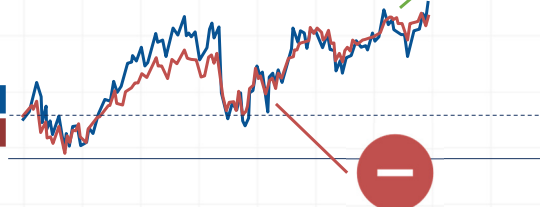
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Interpreting Beta

Beta for the market = 1



Asset Beta < 1



Example

Market return
(above risk free rate) = 10%

Asset Beta = 0.8

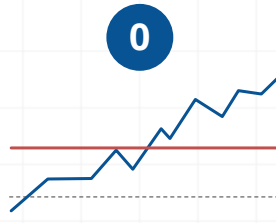
Asset Return = $0.8 \times 10\% = 8\%$
(above risk free rate)

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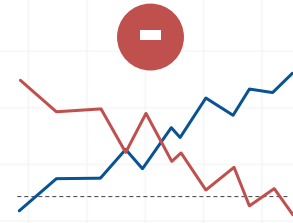
Interpreting Beta



Asset tends to move in the **same direction** and the **same percentage** as the market



Uncorrelated to the market
No systematic risk



The asset tends to move in the **opposite direction**
Inverse relationship

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Interpreting Beta

Sector	Beta (5 Year)
S&P 500	1.0
Utilities	0.5
Consumer Staples	0.6
Communication Services	0.8
Health Care	0.8
Real Estate	0.8

Sector	Beta (5 Year)
Information Technology	1.0
Consumer Discretionary	1.1
Energy	1.6

Sectors that are less sensitive to the macroeconomic environment tend to have lower systematic risk and therefore lower betas

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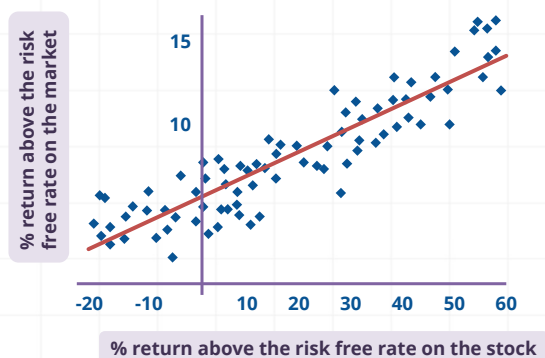
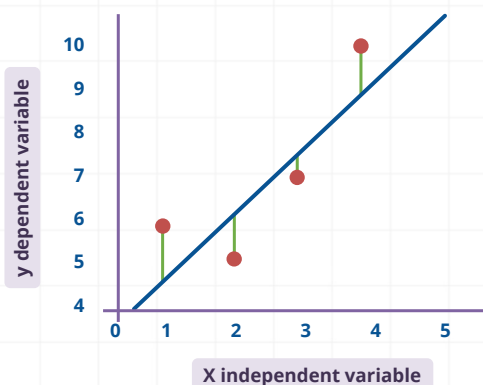
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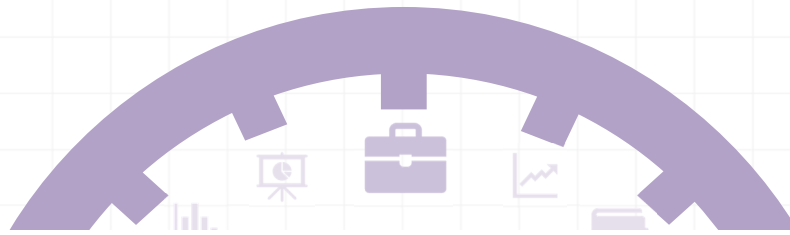
Sector	Beta (5 Year)	Sector	Beta (5 Year)
S&P 500	1.0	Information Technology	1.0
Utilities	0.5	Consumer Discretionary	1.1
Real Estate	0.8	Industrials	1.2
		Materials	1.2
		Financials	1.3
		Energy	1.6

Sectors that are more sensitive to the macroeconomic environment tend to have higher systematic risk and therefore higher betas

Estimating Beta

Regression analysis is the most common estimation method





Regression

Return on the
dependent security
(Apple)

Slope of the
line "Beta"

Return of the
independent security
(S&P 500)

Intercept of
the line
"Alpha"

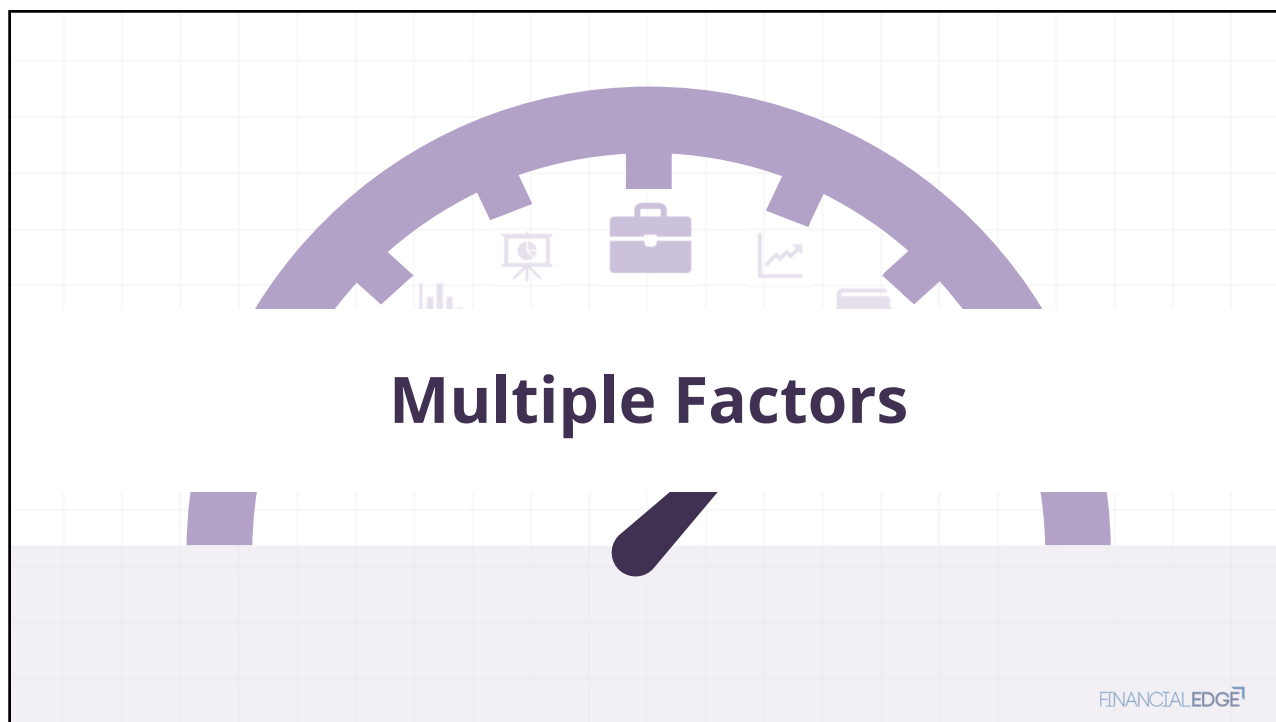
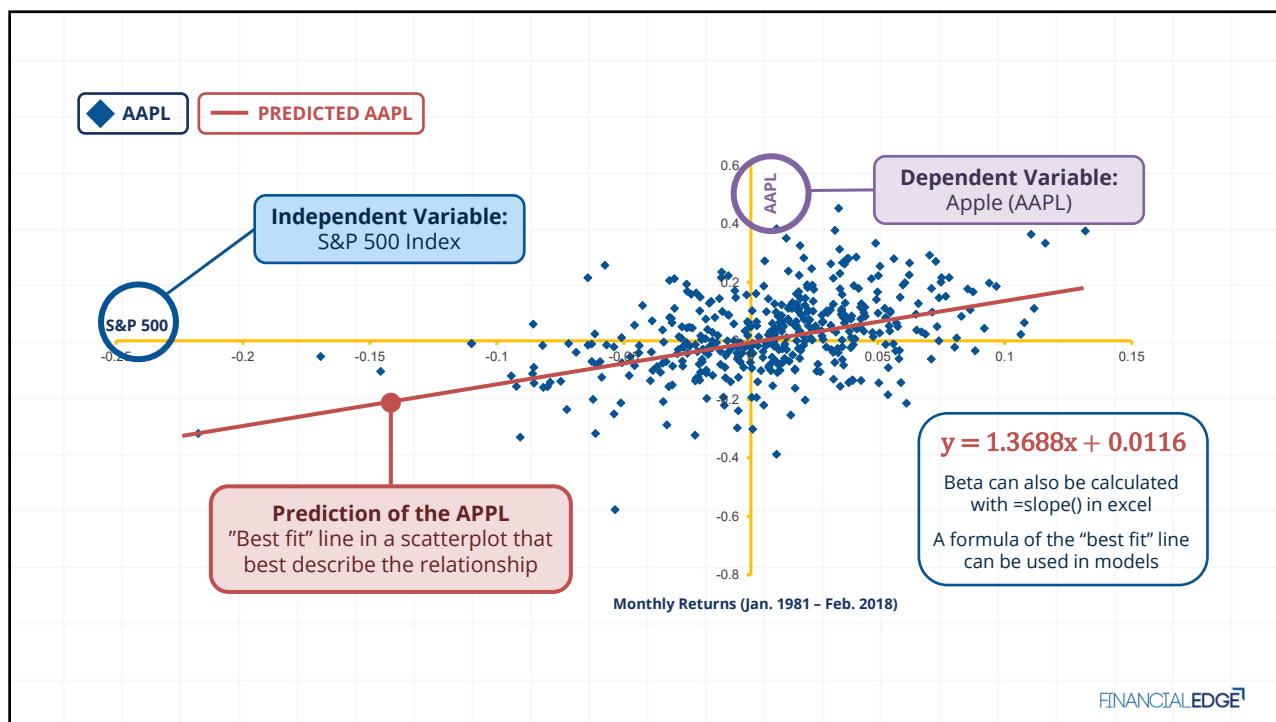
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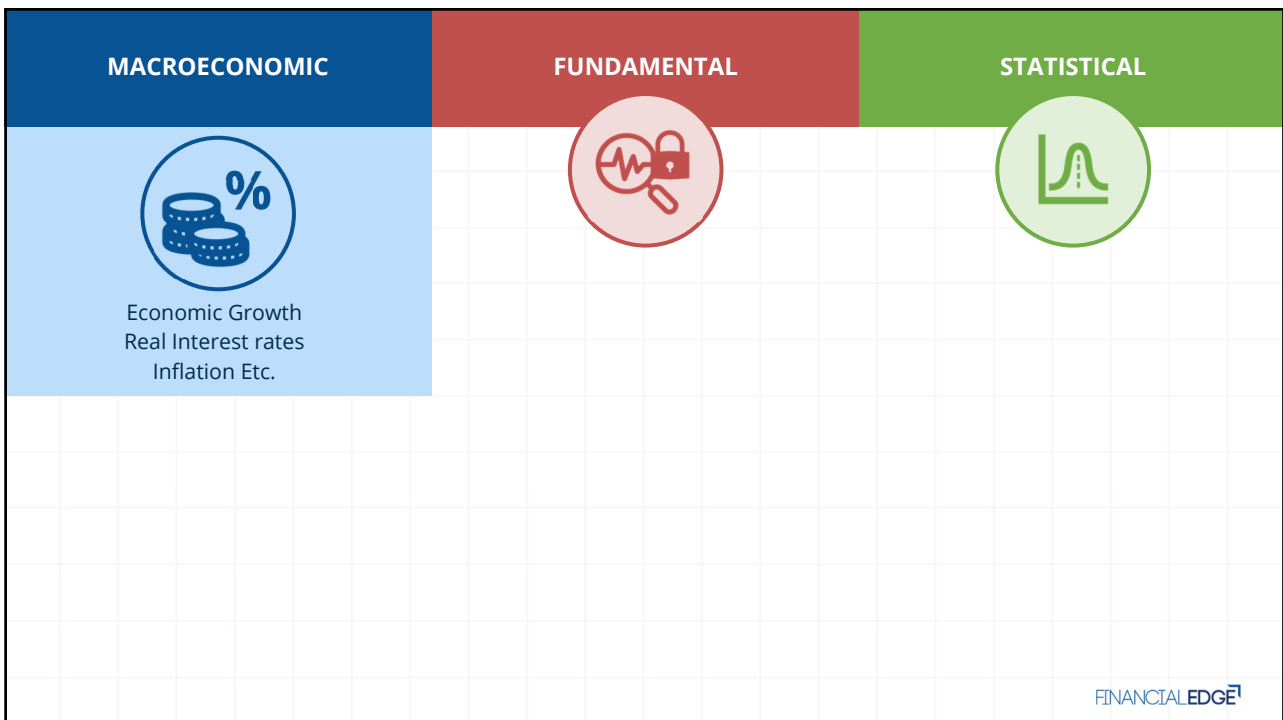
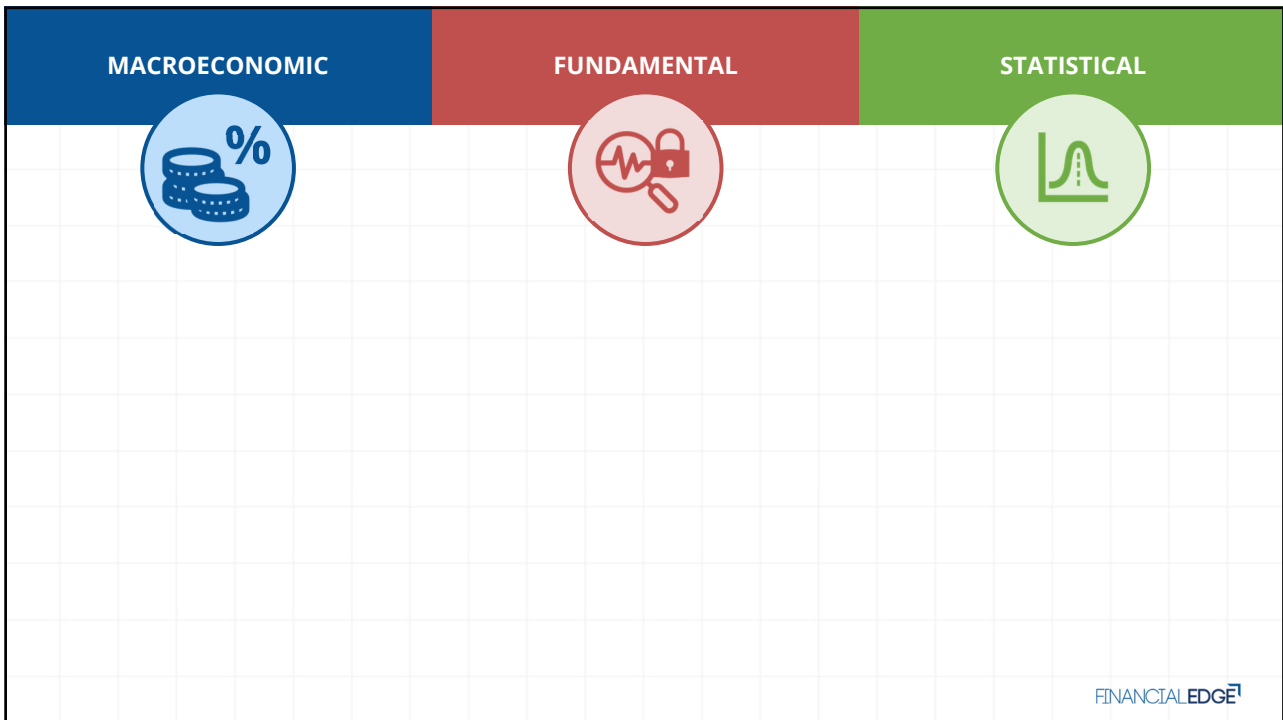
$$y = \beta x + \alpha$$

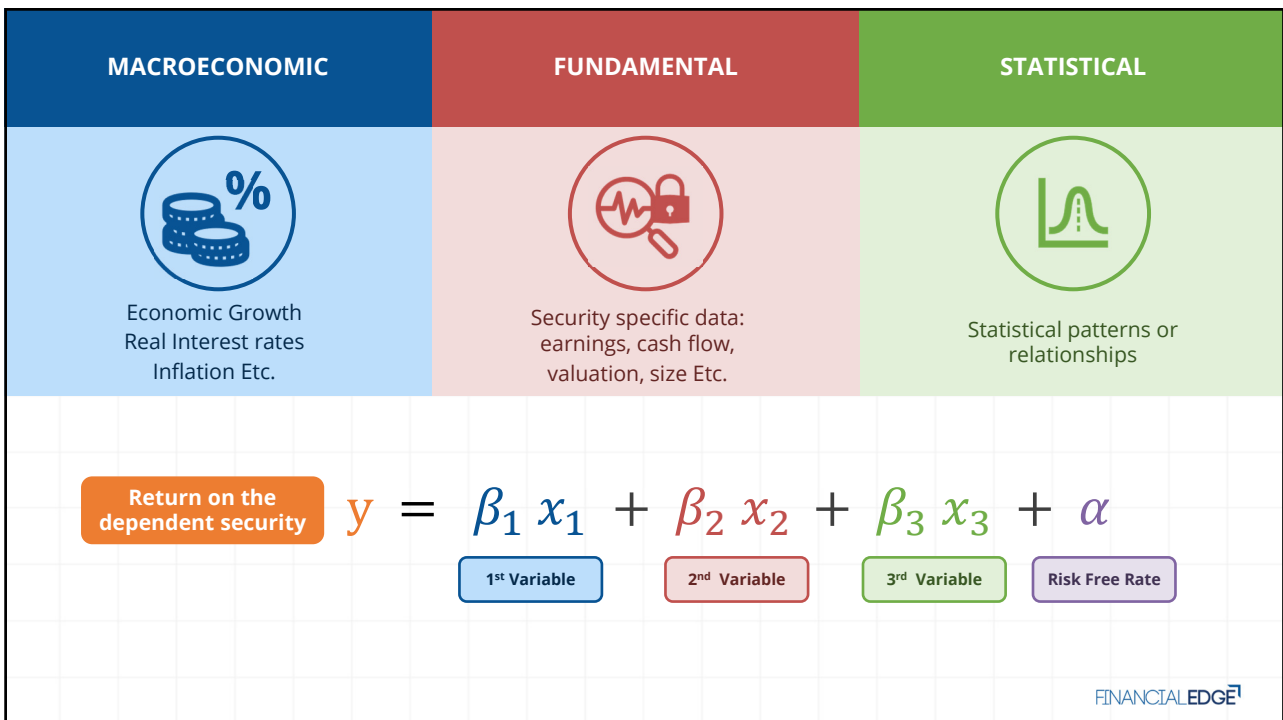
Apple Example

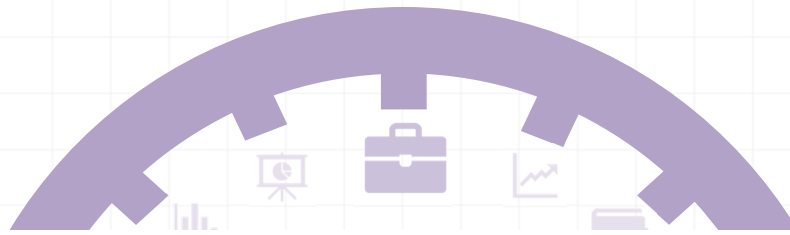
$$y = 1.369x + .0116$$

$$13.70\% = 1.369 \times 10 + 0.0116$$









Covariance

A measure of **how the returns on two assets move or do not move in same direction**

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{(n - 1)}$$



> 0 = Positive Relationship



< 0 = Negative Relationship



But **units** make it difficult to interpret the **strength** of the relationship

Example 1 – Microsoft

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
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3	01/01/2019								
4	01/02/2019	7.9	2.8	5.9	=B4-B\$10	(1.5)	=C4-C\$10	(8.8)	=D4*F4
5	01/03/2019	3.0	7.7	1.0	=B5-B\$10	3.4	=C5-C\$10	3.3	=D5*F5
6	01/04/2019	1.8	5.3	(0.2)	=B6-B\$10	1.0	=C6-C\$10	(0.2)	=D6*F6
7	01/05/2019	3.9	10.7	1.9	=B7-B\$10	6.4	=C7-C\$10	12.4	=D7*F7
8	01/06/2019	(6.6)	(4.9)	(8.6)	=B8-B\$10	(9.3)	=C8-C\$10	79.5	=D8*F8
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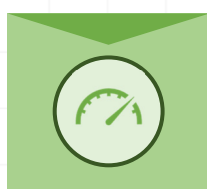
Example 2 – Franco Nevada Corp

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3	01/01/2019								
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13	Covariance							(3.7)	=H11/H12

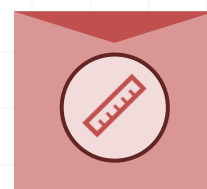
Correlation

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Positive or
Inversely Related



The Degree of the Positive
Or Negative Relationship



-1 TO +1

$$\text{Corr}(X, Y) = \rho_{x,y} = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_x \sigma_y}$$

EXCEL FORMULA: = CORREL (array1, array2)

Equals Covariance Divided
By Each Standard Deviation

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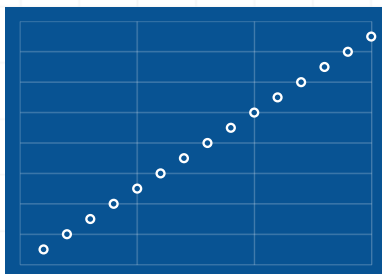
Scatterplots

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CORRELATION = +1

Perfect Correlation

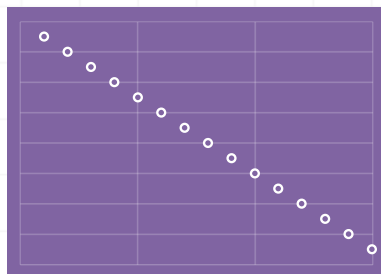
Both move proportionally
in the same direction



CORRELATION = -1

Perfect Negative Correlation

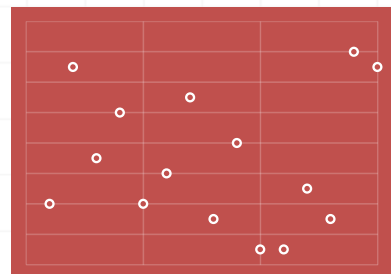
They move in the
opposite direction



CORRELATION = ZERO

No Relationship Exists

If one moves, no predictions
can be made on the
movement of the other

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Correlation – Other Key Points

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What Asset Will Increase Portfolio Diversification

The lower the correlation, the more diversification benefits

There are no diversification benefits if the correlation is +1



Correlation Does Not Equal Causation

Snow boots and car accidents have a correlation, but snow boots do not cause car accidents

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Correlation Matrix

ASSET-CLASS CORRELATIONS 1926–2015

	Small Stocks	Large Stocks	LT Corp Bonds	LT Gov Bonds	IT Gov Bonds	Treasury Bills
Small Stocks	1.00					
Large Stocks	0.80	1.00				
LT Corp Bonds	0.04	0.15	1.00			
LT Gov Bonds	-0.10	0.00	0.90	1.00		
IT Gov Bonds	-0.11	-0.03	0.86	0.86	1.00	
Treasury Bills	-0.08	-0.02	0.16	0.18	0.47	1.00

Source: Morningstar

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Factor Correlations

Active Return Correlations for MSCI Factor Indexes since 1975

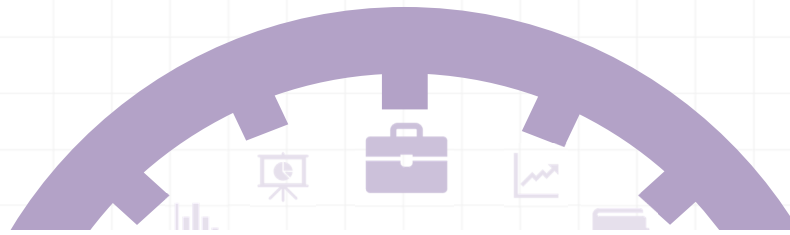
	Size	Yield	Momentum	Quality	Value	Low Volatility
Size	1.00					
Yield	0.26	1.00				
Momentum	-0.11	-0.03	1.00			
Quality	-0.19	0.40	0.22	1.00		
Value	0.60	0.48	-0.06	0.10	1.00	
Low Volatility	0.12	0.44	0.11	0.19	-0.03	1.00

Factors have generally had **low correlations with each other** and tended to **perform well at different parts of the economic cycle**

A **diversified strategy** can navigate more types of market environments and potentially **lower overall volatility**

Correlations of active returns relative to MSCI World, Monthly data, 30 Nov 1975 to 28 Feb 2018

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Correlation and Risk

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Calculating Standard Deviation (Total Risk) of a Two Asset Portfolio

$$\text{Stan Dev}_P = \sigma_P = \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 w_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 w_2^2 + 2w_1 w_2 \text{Cor}_{(1,2)} \sigma_1 \sigma_2}$$

Variance of
each asset

Multiplied by each of the
weightings squared

Correlation: measures how assets
move in relation to each other

Easier to compare and
interpret than variance alone

$$\text{Stan Dev}_P = \sqrt{\text{Variance}}$$

$$\sigma_P = \sqrt{\sigma^2}$$

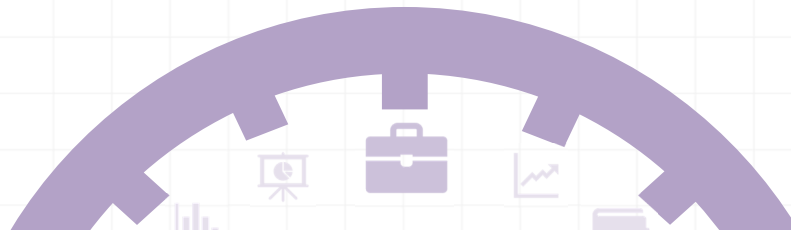
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Correlations and Risk Example 1 - Microsoft

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15	Correlation							0.68	=H13/(B14*C14)
16	Weight	50.0%	50.0%						
17	Weighted deviation squared	7.0	8.9	=C16^2*C14^2					
18	Sum of the weighted deviation			15.9	=C17+B17				
19	Correlation factor			10.8	=2*H15*B16*C16*B14*C14				
20	Variance			26.7	=D18+D19				
21	Portfolio standard deviation			5.2	=D20^0.5				

Correlations and Risk Example 2 - FNV

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
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20	Variance			16.3	=D18+D19				
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Diversification Effect

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$$\text{Stan Dev}_P = \sigma_P = \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 w_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 w_2^2 + 2w_1 w_2 \text{Corr}_{(1,2)} \sigma_1 \sigma_2}$$

Perfect Positive Correlation =1

$$\sigma_P = \sigma_1 = \sigma_2$$

No benefits from diversification

-1 < Correlation < +1

Stan Dev of portfolio will be less than weighted average of assets

Diversification benefits increase as correlation declines

Perfect Negative Correlation = -1

A perfect hedge $\sigma_P = 0$

Stan Dev of the Portfolio is zero: risk free

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Other Key Points



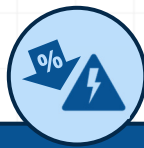
Adding More Assets Generally **Decreases Portfolio Volatility** But Has **Diminishing Benefits**

Assets can be broadened to industries, asset classes, styles and regions



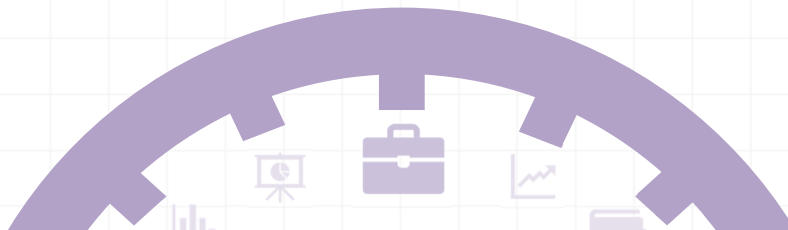
Adding Asset Classes That Are Highly Correlated **Is Redundant**

Achieves little benefit and adds to costs

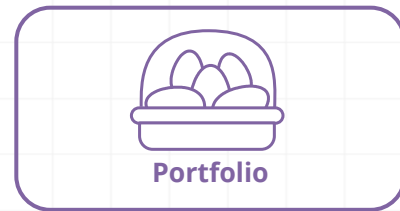


Optimal portfolio **reduces risk without sacrificing returns**

Benefits of Diversification



Diversification



Involves **spreading investable funds** across a number of different assets

Does not eliminate the risk of experiencing investment losses, but aims to **insulate a portfolio from major losses on any one investment**

Aims to improve portfolio efficiency, **reducing risk, whilst not decreasing return**

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Diversification

Diversification **can be achieved** on many different levels



INDIVIDUAL SECURITIES



SECTORS



ASSET CLASSES



GEOGRAPHIES



INVESTMENT STRATEGY



FACTOR EXPOSURE

The key to efficient diversification is driven by the **correlation between assets**

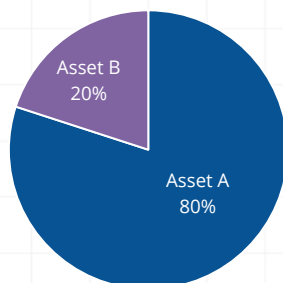
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Diversification Examples

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Example: Two Asset Portfolio

Assume An Investor Holds A Portfolio
With The Following Weights



EXPECTED RETURN RISK (Standard Deviation)

Asset A	10%	16%
Asset B	18%	33%

CORRELATION MATRIX

	Asset A	Asset B
Asset A	1	0.1
Asset B	0.1	1

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PORTFOLIO EXPECTED RETURN

$$= \text{Expected return(A)} \times \text{Weight (A)} \\ + \text{Expected return(B)} \times \text{Weight (B)}$$

$$= 10\% \times 0.8 + 18\% \times 0.2$$

$$= 11.6\%$$

Simple weighted average of
expected returns

PORTFOLIO RISK

$$= \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 w_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 w_2^2 + 2w_1 w_2 \text{Cor}_{(1,2)} \sigma_1 \sigma_2}$$

Not just the weighted average
of standard deviations

We need to take into account
how the assets move
together, i.e. correlation

Example: Two Asset Portfolio

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Portfolio Risk} &= \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 w_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 w_2^2 + 2w_1 w_2 \text{Cor}_{(1,2)} \sigma_1 \sigma_2} \\ &= \sqrt{0.16^2 \times 0.80^2 + 0.33^2 \times 0.20^2 + 2 \times 0.8 \times 0.2 \times 0.01 \times 0.16 \times 0.33} \\ &= \sqrt{0.01638 + 0.00436 + 0.00169} \end{aligned}$$

$$= 14.98\%$$

Example: Two Asset Portfolio

	EXPECTED RETURN	RISK (Standard Deviation)
Asset A	10%	16%
Asset B	18%	33%
Portfolio	11.6%	14.98%



The Combination of the Two Assets Results in a Superior Risk-Return Trade-off



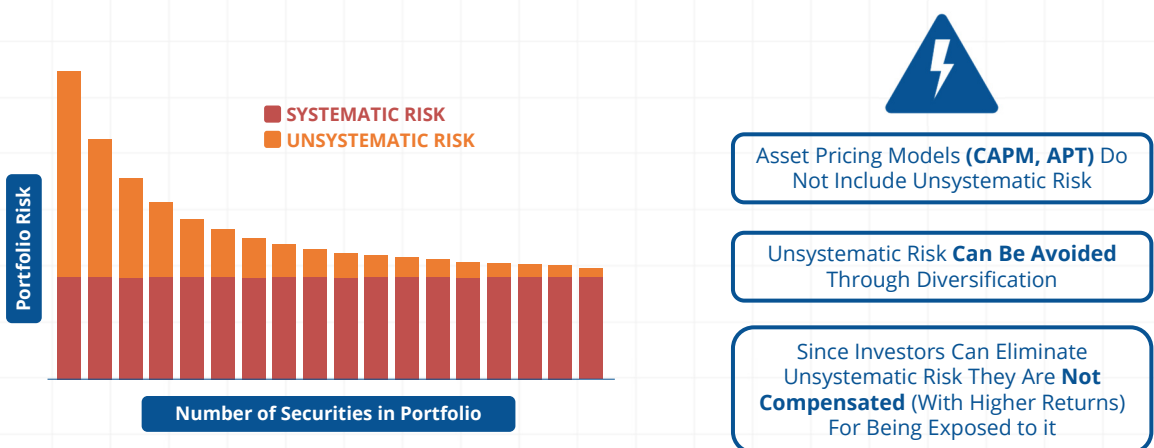
This is the Potential Power of Diversification

Application: Home Depot and Microsoft Common Stock

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1		HD	MSFT	HD var.	MSFT var.	Product	
2	01/01/2019						
3	01/02/2019	6.82	2.82	4.5	(1.5)	(6.8)	=D3*E3
4	01/03/2019	0.88	7.72	(1.4)	3.4	(4.8)	=D4*E4
5	01/04/2019	4.38	5.28	2.1	1.0	2.0	=D5*E5
6	01/05/2019	6.15	10.73	3.9	6.4	24.8	=D6*E6
7	01/06/2019	(6.80)	(4.95)	(9.1)	(9.3)	84.2	=D7*E7
8	Mean	2.3	4.3	=AVERAGE(C3:C7)			
9	Sum of product					99.4	=SUM(F3:F7)
10	Number of observations -1					4.0	=COUNT(F3:F7)-1
11	Covariance					24.9	=F9/F10
12	Std dev.	5.6	6.0	=STDEV.S(C3:C7)			
13	Correlation					0.75	=F11/(B12*C12)
14	Weight	50.0%	50.0%				
15	Weighted deviation	7.8	8.9	=C14*2*C12^2			
16	Sum of the weighted deviation			16.6	=C15*B15		
17	Correlation factor			12.4	=2*F13*B14*C14*B12*C12		
18	Variance			29.1	=D16+D17		
19	Portfolio standard deviation			5.4	=D18*0.5		

	A	B	C
21	Portfolio		
22	Risk free rate	0.574	
23	Market risk premium	6.500	
24	HD levered beta (3 yr adj.)	1.050	
25	MSFT levered beta (3 yr adj.)	1.120	
26	HD expected return	7.40	=B22+B23*B24
27	MSFT expected return	7.85	=B22+B23*B25
28	Weighted average return of portfolio	7.63	=B14*B26+C14*B27

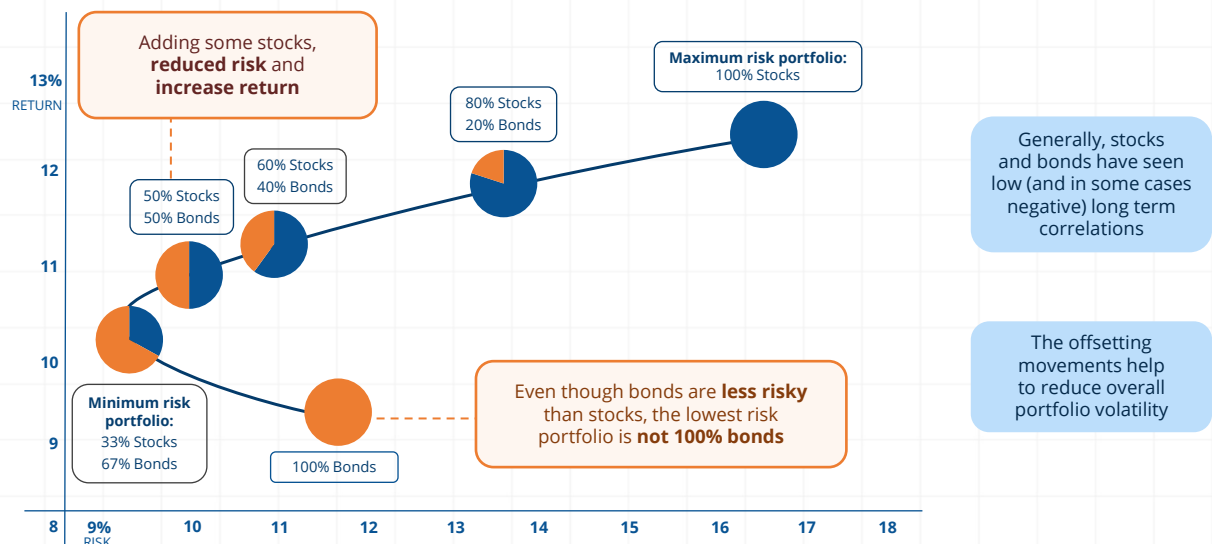
Diversification and Systematic Risk

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Source: CFA Institute

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Asset Class Diversification

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Source: Morningstar 1970-2018; Ibbotson® Large Company Stock Index and bonds by the 20-year U.S. government bond

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	US Large Cap Stocks	US Mid Cap Stocks	US Small Cap Stocks	US Short Term Bonds	US Total Bond Market	US Long Term Bonds	Non US Stocks	Emerging Market Stocks	US Real Estate	Commodities
US Large Cap Stocks	-									
US Mid Cap Stocks	0.96	-								
US Small Cap Stocks	0.94	0.98	-							
US Short Term Bonds	-0.39	-0.43	-0.42	-						
US Total Bond Market	0.04	0.07	0.02	0.53	-					
US Long Term Bonds	-0.34	-0.34	-0.37	0.55	0.79	-				
Non US Stocks	0.89	0.88	0.84	-0.3	0.15	-0.27	-			
Emerging Market Stocks	0.79	0.8	0.76	-0.27	0.14	-0.27	0.94	-		
US Real Estate	0.73	0.77	0.78	-0.2	0.32	-0.02	0.7	0.62	-	
Commodities	0.54	0.55	0.53	-0.22	-0.04	-0.38	0.64	0.65	0.34	-



Problems With Correlation



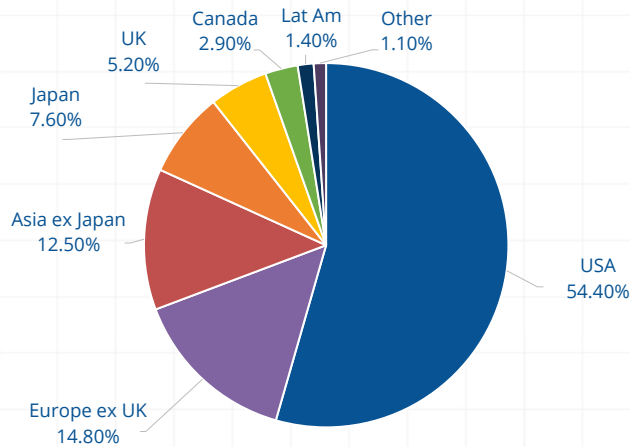
Correlations Tend Not to Be Constant Over Time



Correlations Often Increase During Crisis, When The Benefits of Diversification Are Most Needed

Geographical Diversification

GLOBAL EQUITY MARKETS



Source: Morningstar - Market Capitalizations as of 12/2018



There are significant investment opportunities outside of any investor's home market



International holdings provide Differing exposure and sensitivity To economic and market forces



However, many studies have shown that investors on average have displayed a "home country bias"

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2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Annualised
Emerging debt 8.5%	REITs 23.7%	U.S. equities 32.6%	REITs 22.8%	Japan equities 9.9%	High yield 14.3%	EM equities 37.8%	Cash 1.9%	U.S. equities 31.6%	DM gov. debt 6.7%	U.S. equities 14%
DM gov. debt 6.3%	Europe equities 19.9%	Japan equities 27.3%	U.S. equities 13.4%	U.S. equities 1.3%	Infrastructure 12.4%	Europe equities 26.2%	DM gov. debt -0.4%	Infrastructure 27%	IG credit 6.1%	REITs 7.5%
IG credit 4%	High yield 19.6%	Europe equities 26%	Infrastructure 13%	Emerging debt 1.2%	U.S. equities 11.6%	Japan equities 24.4%	IG credit -3.5%	Europe equities 24.6%	U.S. equities 3.6%	High yield 6.4%
High yield 3.1%	EM equities 18.6%	Infrastructure 15%	Emerging debt 5.5%	REITs 0.6%	EM equities 11.6%	U.S. equities 21.9%	High yield -4.1%	REITs 24.5%	Emerging debt 1.8%	Infrastructure 6.3%
U.S. equities 2%	Emerging debt 18.5%	High yield 7.3%	IG credit 2.5%	Cash 0.1%	Emerging debt 10.2%	Infrastructure 20.1%	U.S. equities -4.5%	Japan equities 20.1%	Cash 0.7%	Japan equities 5.8%
REITs 1.7%	U.S. equities 16.1%	REITs 2.8%	Cash 0.1%	Europe equities -2.3%	Commodities 9.7%	High yield 10.4%	Emerging debt -4.6%	EM equities 18.9%	High yield -0.3%	Emerging debt 5.8%
Cash 0.1%	IG credit 12.4%	IG credit 1.8%	High yield 0%	High yield -2.7%	REITs 6.9%	Emerging debt 9.3%	REITs -4.8%	Emerging debt 14.4%	EM equities -1.5%	Europe equities 5.5%
Infrastructure -0.4%	Infrastructure 11.9%	Cash 0.1%	DM gov. debt -0.8%	DM gov. debt -3.3%	IG credit 6%	IG credit 9.3%	Infrastructure -9.5%	High yield 12.6%	Japan equities -8.4%	IG credit 4.8%
Commodities -8.2%	Japan equities 8.4%	EM equities -2.3%	EM equities -1.8%	IG credit -3.8%	Japan equities 2.7%	REITs 8.6%	Commodities -10.7%	IG credit 11.8%	Europe equities -9%	EM equities 3.7%
Europe equities -10.5%	DM gov. debt 1.8%	DM gov. debt -4.3%	Infrastructure -3.7%	Infrastructure -11.5%	DM gov. debt 1.7%	DM gov. debt 7.3%	Japan equities -12.6%	Commodities 11.8%	Infrastructure -16.9%	DM gov. debt 2.3%
Japan equities -14.2%	Cash 0.1%	Commodities -5%	Europe equities -5.7%	EM equities -14.6%	Cash 0.4%	Commodities 1.7%	EM equities -14.2%	DM gov. debt 5.6%	REITs -17.5%	Cash 0.7%
EM equities -18.2%	Commodities -3.3%	Emerging debt -6.6%	Commodities -17.9%	Commodities -23.4%	Europe equities 0.2%	Cash 0.8%	Europe equities -14.3%	Cash 2.3%	Commodities -22.4%	Commodities -5.7%

Source: Blackrock as of August 2020

Little predictability in regional performance From year to year

Us stocks have **outperformed Non-us stocks** in the Current decade

But during previous decade, us stocks **significantly underperformed non-us stocks**

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