

**Current Papers Solved By**  
**FIN 622 SUBJECTIVE PAPERS**  
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**1) Systemic and unsystematic risk(3 M)**

**• SYSTEMATIC**

- Economy-wide sources of Risk that effect all the stocks being traded in market. Systematic risk influences large number of assets and is also known as market risk.
- Systematic Risk is measured by Beta Coefficient or Beta.
- Beta measures the systematic risk inherent in an asset relative to the market as whole.

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**2) Capital ratio for investment (5)**

A situation where a company has scarcity of funds to invest in potential opportunities and these opportunities are compared with one another in order to allocate resources most effectively and efficiently.

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Explain the main features of a forward rate agreement.

**Features of forward rate agreement**

It is in between bank and client for fixing future interest rate on notional amount of loan. The loan is for an affirmed period starting on a particular time in future. The size of the notional loan or deposit is

decided between the bank and the client. forward rate agreement are cash settled. On settlement date buyer and seller must settle the agreement. The FRA rate for three months loan/deposit starting in a 6 months' time is normally expressed as 6v9 FRA. The buyer of a FRA agrees to pay fixed interest rate on notional loan. At the same buyer will receive interest on notional loan at standard rate of interest. On the other side, seller of FRA agrees to pay interest on the notional amount at benchmark rate and receives interest at a fixed rate.

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**Answer Page#95**

$$Q = \sqrt{2 FS / i}$$

Where:

S = is the amount of cash to be used in each period

F = fixed cost of obtaining new funds

$i$  = interest cost of holding cash  
 $Q$  = quantity of cash to be held per period.

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### 3) Levered and un levered for firm (3)

#### · Levered firm :

**If Business has Debt & Equity** (i.e. levered firm): for a levered firm range of ROE is high

**LEVERED (Debt & Equity) Firm:**

Higher Slope.

ROE more sensitive to changes in EBIT

· un levered firm.”

**If Business is 100% Equity** (or un-levered firm)

No Debt and No Interest. For an levered firm this range is very short

Un-Levered (100% Equity):

Lower ROE and Lower Risk.

### 4) Dividend policy and types.(5)

The policy a company uses to decide how much it will pay out to shareholders in dividends.

#### TYPES OF DIVIDEND

1. **Cash** (most common) are those paid out in form of "**real cash**". It is a form of investment interest/income and is taxable to the recipient in the year they are paid. It is the most common method of sharing corporate profits.

2. **Stock or Scrip dividends** (common) are those paid out in form of **additional stock shares** of

the issuing corporation, or other corporation (e.g., its subsidiary corporation). They are usually issued in proportion to shares owned (e.g., for every 100 shares of stock owned, 5% stock dividend will yield 5 extra shares). This is very similar to a stock split in that it increases the total number of shares while lowering the price of each share and does not change the market capitalization

3. **Property or dividends in specie** are those paid out in form of **assets** from the issuing corporation, or other corporation (e.g., its subsidiary corporation). Property dividends are usually paid in the form of products or services provided by the corporation. When paying property dividends, the corporation will often use securities of other companies owned by the issuer.

#### Question No: 45 ( Marks: 3 )

**Give at least three sources of synergies and explain each of them briefly.**

**Staff reductions** - As every employee knows, mergers tend to mean job losses. Consider all the money saved from reducing the number of staff

members from accounting, marketing and other departments.

**Economies of scale** - Yes, size matters. Whether it's purchasing stationery or a new corporate IT system, a bigger company placing the orders can save more on costs. When placing larger orders, companies have a greater ability to negotiate prices with their suppliers.

**Acquiring new technology** - To stay competitive, companies need to stay on top of technological developments and their business applications. By buying a smaller company with unique technologies, a large company can maintain or develop a competitive edge.

**Question No: 46 ( Marks: 5 )**

**How would you expect the firm's cash balance to respond to the following changes?**

- Interest rates increase.
- The volatility of daily cash flow decreases
- The transaction cost of buying or selling marketable securities goes up

**Question No: 47 ( Marks: 5 )**

The Inventory Manager of a firm has given the following data:

**Consumption per Period** =  $S = 4000$  Units

**Economic Order Quantity** =  $EOQ = 80$  Units

**Lead Time** =  $L = 1$  Month

**Stock out Acceptance Factor** =  $F = 1.10$

**Requirement:**

Determine the Economic Order Point for the firm.

**Solution:**

$$EOP = SL + F \sqrt{S \times EOQ \times L}$$

Where

$S$  = Consumption Per Period

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$F = 1.10$  (This Represents The Stock out level of say, 10%)

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$$= 4000 \times 1 + 1.10 \sqrt{4000 \times 80 \times 1}$$

$$= 4622.25 \text{ Units}$$

**Question No: 48 ( Marks: 5 )**

**How a firm can create a money market hedge against transaction exposure, when the firm has to make a payment at some future date?**

**Money Market Hedge – future FCY payment scenario**

A similar approach will be taken to create the hedge when a firm is expecting to pay in FCY in future. In this scenario, a hedge can be created by exchanging local currency for

FCY now using spot rates and putting the currency on deposit until the future payment is to be made. The amount borrowed and the interest earned on the deposit should be equal to the FCY. If it is not the case then it will not be a clean hedge. The cash flows are fixed because the cost in local currency is the cost of buying FCY on spot rates that was put under a deposit.

**Mechanism:**

**Step 1:** determine the FCY (assume US \$) amount to be put to a deposit that will grow exactly to equalize the future payment in dollars. You need to calculate this using the available spot rates and interest rate on dollar deposit.

**Step 2:** in order to deposit dollars in interest bearing account, the company will buy dollars at spot rates.

**Step 3:** the company will borrow local currency for the period of hedge. These steps will ensure that the hedge created a definite cash flow regardless of exchange rate or interest rate fluctuations. The exchange rate has been fixed.

**Question No: 49 ( Marks: 10 )**

Describe in detail the major steps in short term financial planning process of a firm.

**The Financial Planning Process consists of the Following five Steps**

**1. Establishing and defining the client-planner relationship.**

The financial planner should clearly explain or document the services to be provided to you and define both

his and your responsibilities. The planner should explain fully how he will be paid and by whom.

You and the planner should agree on how long the professional relationship should last and on how decisions will be made.

**2. Gathering client data, including goals.**

The financial planner should ask for information about your financial situation. You and the planner should mutually define your personal and financial goals, understand your time frame for results and discuss, if relevant, how you feel about risk. The financial planner should gather all the necessary documents before giving you the advice you need.

**3. Analyzing and evaluating your financial status.**

The financial planner should analyze your information to assess your current situation and determine what

you must do to meet your goals. Depending on what services you have asked for, this could include analyzing

your assets, liabilities and cash flow, current insurance coverage, investments or tax strategies.

**4. Developing and presenting financial planning recommendations and/or alternatives.**

The financial planner should offer financial planning recommendations that address your goals, based on the information you provide. The planner should go over the recommendations with you to help you understand them so that you can make informed

decisions. The planner should also listen to your concerns and revise the recommendations as appropriate.

#### **5. Implementing the financial planning recommendations.**

You and the planner should agree on how the recommendations will be carried out. The planner may carry out the recommendations or serve as your "coach," coordinating the whole process with you and other professionals such as attorneys or stockbrokers.

### **Q 3. Compare and contrast the Stable Dividend per share policy and Constant dividend payout policy. Marks 5**

#### **CONSTANT DIVIDEND PAYOUT**

- A fixed %age is paid out as dividend.
- Under this policy the dividend amount will vary because the net income is not constant.

#### **STABLE DIVIDEND PER SHARE:**

- per share fixed amount of dividend paid every year.
- Look favorably by investors and implies low risk firm.
- Investors can easily forecast and predict their earnings.
- Aid in financial planning
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#### **Important For Short Questions:**

#### **AGGRESSIVE AND DEFENSIVE STOCKS:**

- Aggressive Stocks have high betas, greater than 1, meaning that their return is more than one-to-one to changes in return of overall market.
- Defensive stock are less volatile to change in market return and have beta of less than one

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