

Subject : Portfolio Theory & Security Analysis

Chapter : 4,5 (Unit 2)

Practice Question Solution

1. The goal of an efficient portfolio is to_____.

- a. achieve a predetermined rate of return for a given level of risk
- b. maximize risk in order to maximize profit
- c. minimize profit in order to minimize risk
- d. minimize risk for a given level of return

Solution: d

2. Perfectly _____correlated series move exactly together and have a correlation coefficient of_____, while perfectly_____correlated series move exactly in opposite directions and have a correlation coefficient of _____.

- a. negatively; -1; positively; +1
- b. negatively; +1; positively; -1
- c. positively; -1; negatively; +1
- d. positively; +1; negatively; -1

Solution: d

3. Combining negatively correlated assets having the same expected return results in a portfolio with_____level of expected return and_____level of risk.

- a. a higher; a lower
- b. the same; a higher
- c. the same; a lower
- d. a lower; a higher

Solution: c

4. The correlation of returns between Asset A and Asset B can be characterized as _____.

- a. perfectly positively correlated
- b. perfectly negatively correlated
- c. uncorrelated
- d. partially correlated

Solution: b

5. Which of the following investment products is *most likely* to trade at their net asset value per share?
- a. Exchange traded funds.
 - b. Open-end mutual funds.
 - c. Closed-end mutual funds.

Solution: a

6. Which of the following financial products is *least likely* to have a capital gain distribution?
- a. Exchange traded funds.
 - b. Open-end mutual funds.
 - c. Closed-end mutual funds.

Solution: a

7. Which of the following forms of pooled investments is subject to the *least* amount of regulation?
- a. Hedge funds.
 - b. Exchange traded funds.
 - c. Closed-end mutual funds.

Solution: a

8. Which of the following pooled investments is *most likely* characterized by a few large investments?
- a. Hedge funds.
 - b. Buyout funds.
 - c. Venture capital funds.

Solution: b