

FinQuiz Formula Sheet CFA Program Level I

Reading 1: Time Value of Money

1. Interest Rate (i)

- $i = R_f + \text{Inf P} + \text{Default Risk P} + \text{Liquidity P} + \text{Maturity P}$
- Nominal R_f i rate = Real R_f i Rate + Inf P
- i rate as a growth rate = $g = \left(\frac{FV_N}{PV}\right)^{\frac{1}{N}} - 1$

2. PV and FV of CF =

- $PV = \frac{FV}{(1+r)^N}$
- PV of Perpetuity = $\frac{PMT}{r}$
- PV (for more than one Compounding per year) = $PV = FV_N \left(1 + \frac{r_s}{m}\right)^{-m \times N}$
where $r_s = \text{stated ann } i - \text{rate}$
- $FV_N = PV(1+r)^N$
- FV (for more than one Compounding per year) = $FV_N = \left(1 + \frac{r_s}{m}\right)^{m \times N}$
- FV (for Continuous Compounding) = $FV_N = PV e^{r_s \times N}$
- Solving for $N = \frac{\text{LN}\left(\frac{FV}{PV}\right)}{\text{LN}(1+r)}$ (where LN = natural log)

3. Stated & Effective Rates

- Periodic i Rate = $\frac{\text{Stated Ann } i \text{ Rate}}{\text{No of Compounding Periods in One Year}}$

- Effective (or Equivalent) Ann Rate (EAR = EFF%) = $(1 + \text{Periodic } i \text{ Rate})^m - 1$
- EAR (with Continuous Compounding) = $\text{EAR} = e^{r_s} - 1$

4. PV & FV of Ordinary Annuity

- $PV_{\text{OA}} = \sum_{t=1}^n \frac{PMT}{(1+r)^t} = PMT \left[\frac{1 - \frac{1}{(1+r)^N}}{r} \right]$
- $FV_{\text{OA}} = \sum_{t=1}^n (PMT_t (1+r))^{N-t} = PMT \left[\frac{(1+r)^N - 1}{r} \right]$
- Size of Annuity Payment = $PMT = \frac{PV}{\text{PV of Annuity Factor}}$
- PV of Annuity Factor = $\frac{1 - \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{r_s}{m}\right)^{m \times N}}}{\frac{r_s}{m}}$

5. PV & FV of Annuity Due

- $PV_{\text{AD}} = PMT \left[\frac{1 - \frac{1}{(1+r)^N}}{r} \right] + PMT$ at $t = 0$
 $PV_{\text{OA}} + PMT$
- $FV_{\text{AD}} = PMT \left[\frac{(1+r)^N - 1}{r} \right] (1+r) = FV_{\text{OA}} \times (1+r)$

Reading 2: Organizing, Visualizing, and Describing Data

1. Range = Max. value – Min value

$$2. \text{ Bin width} = \frac{\text{Range}}{k}$$

$$3. \text{ Relative Frequency} = \frac{\text{Absolute Frequency}}{\text{Total No of Obs}}$$

4. Cumulative Absolute Frequency = Add up the Absolute Frequencies

5. Cumulative Relative Frequency = Add up the Relative Frequencies

$$6. \text{ Arithmetic Mean} = \frac{\text{Sum of obs in database}}{\text{No. of obs in the database}}$$

7. Median = Middle No (when observations are arranged in ascending/descending order)

- For Even no of obs locate median at $\frac{n}{2}$
- For Odd no. of obs locate median at $\frac{n+1}{2}$

8. Mode = obs that occurs most frequently in the distribution

$$9. \text{ Weighted Mean} = \bar{X}_w = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i X_i = (w_1 X_1 + w_2 X_2 + \dots + w_n X_n)$$

$$10. \text{ Geometric Mean} = GM = \sqrt[n]{X_1 X_2 \dots X_n}$$

with $X_i \geq 0$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

11. Harmonic Mean = H.M = $\overline{X}_H = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{X_i}\right)}$
12. Population Mean = $\mu = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{N}$ with $X_i > 0$
for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.
13. Sample Mean = $\bar{X} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n}$ where $n =$
number of observation in the sample
14. Measures of Location:
- Quartiles = $\frac{\text{Distribution}}{4}$
 - Quintiles = $\frac{\text{Distribution}}{5}$
 - Deciles = $\frac{\text{Distribution}}{10}$,
 - Percentiles = $L_y = (n + 1) \frac{y}{100}$
15. Mean Absolute Deviation = MAD = $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n |X_i - \bar{X}|}{n}$
16. Sample Var = $s^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n-1}$
17. Sample S.D = $s = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n-1}}$
18. Semi-var = $\sum_{\text{For all } X_i \leq \bar{X}} \frac{(X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n-1}$
19. Semi-deviation (Semi S.D) =
 $\sqrt{\text{semivariance}} = \sqrt{\sum_{\text{For all } X_i \leq \bar{X}} \frac{(X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n-1}}$

20. Target Semi-var = $\sum_{\text{For all } X_i \leq B} \frac{(X_i - B)^2}{n-1}$
where $B =$ Target Value
21. Target Semi-Deviation =
 $\sqrt{\text{target semivariance}} =$
 $\sqrt{\sum_{\text{For all } X_i \leq B} \frac{(X_i - B)^2}{n-1}}$
22. Coefficient of Variation = $CV = \left(\frac{S}{\bar{X}}\right)$
where $s =$ sample S.D and $\bar{X} =$ sample
mean
23. Sharpe Ratio = $\frac{\text{Mean Portfolio R} - \text{Mean Rf R}}{\text{S.D of Portfolio R}}$
24. Excess Kurtosis = Kurtosis $- 3$
25. Geometric Mean Return \approx
 $\text{Arithmetic Mean Return} -$
 $\frac{\text{Variance of R}}{2}$

Reading 3: Probability Concepts

1. Empirical Prob of an event $E = P(E) =$
 $\frac{\text{Prob of event } E}{\text{Total Prob}}$
2. Odds for event $E = \frac{\text{Prob of } E}{1 - \text{Prob of } E}$
3. Odds against event $E = \frac{1 - \text{Prob of } E}{\text{Prob of } E}$
4. Conditional Prob of A given that B has
occurred = $P(A|B) = \frac{P(AB)}{P(B)} \rightarrow P(B) \neq 0$.

5. Multiplication Rule (Joint probability that
both events will happen):

$$P(A \text{ and } B) = P(AB) = P(A|B) \times P(B)$$

$$P(B \text{ and } A) = P(BA) = P(B|A) \times P(A)$$

6. Addition Rule (Prob that event A or B will
occur):

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(AB)$$

$$P(A \text{ or } B) = P(A) + P(B) \text{ (when events are} \\ \text{mutually exclusive because } P(AB) = 0)$$

7. Independent Events:

- Two events are independent if:
 $P(B|A) = P(B)$ or if $P(A|B) =$
 $P(A)$
- Multiplication Rule for two
independent events = $P(A \& B) =$
 $P(AB) = P(A) \times P(B)$
- Multiplication Rule for three
independent events = $P(A \text{ and } B \\ \text{and } C) = P(ABC) = P(A) \times P(B) \\ \times P(C)$

8. Complement Rule (for an event S) = $P(S)$
 $+ P(S^C) = 1$ (where S^C is the event not S)

9. Total Probability Rule:

$$P(A) = P(AS) + P(AS^C) = P(A|S) \times P(S) +$$

$$P(A|S^C) \times P(S^C)$$

$$P(A) = P(AS_1) + P(AS_2) + \dots + P(AS_n) =$$

$$P(A|S_1) \times P(S_1) + P(A|S_2) \times P(S_2) \dots$$

$$P(A|S_n) \times P(S_n)$$

(where S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n are mutually exclusive and exhaustive scenarios)

10. Expected $R = E(w_i R_i) = w_i E(R_i)$

11. $Cov(R_i, R_j) = \sum_{i=1}^n (p(R_i - ER_i))(R_j - ER_j)$
 $Cov(R_i, R_j) = Cov(R_j, R_i)$
 $Cov(R, R) = \sigma^2(R)$

12. Portfolio Var = $\sigma^2(R_p) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n w_i w_j Cov(R_i, R_j)$
 $\sigma^2(R_p) = w_1^2 \sigma^2(R_1) + w_2^2 \sigma^2(R_2) + w_3^2 \sigma^2(R_3) + 2w_1 w_2 Cov(R_1, R_2) + 2w_1 w_3 Cov(R_1, R_3) + 2w_2 w_3 Cov(R_2, R_3)$

13. Standard Deviation (S.D) = $\sqrt{w_1^2 R_1 + w_2^2 R_2 + w_3^2 R_3}$

14. Correlation (b/w two random variables R_i, R_j) = $\rho(R_i, R_j) = \frac{Cov(R_i, R_j)}{\sigma_{R_i} \times \sigma_{R_j}}$

15. Bayes' Formula = $\frac{P(Event|New Information)}{P(New Information)} \times P(Prior prob. of Event)$

16. Multiplication Rule of Counting = n factorial = $n! = n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)\dots 1$.

17. Multinomial Formula (General formula for labeling problem) = $\frac{n!}{n_1! n_2! \dots n_k!}$

18. Combination Formula (Binomial Formula) = ${}^n C_r = \binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{(n-r)! r!}$
 where n = total no. of objects and r = no. of objects selected.

19. Permutation = ${}^n P_r = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!}$

Reading 4: Common Probability Distributions

1. Probability Function (for a binomial random variable) $p(x) = P(X=x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1-p)^{n-x} = \frac{n!}{(n-x)! x! p^x} (1-p)^{n-x}$ (for $x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$)
- x = success out of n trials
 - $n-x$ = failures out of n trials
 - p = probability of success
 - $1-p$ = probability of failure
 - n = no of trials.

2. Probability Density Function (pdf) = $f(x)$
 $= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & \text{for } a \leq x \leq b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
 $F(x) = \frac{x-a}{b-a}$ for $a < x < b$

3. Normal Density Funct = $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$ for $-\infty < x < +\infty$

4. Estimations by using Normal Distribution:

- Approximately 50% of all obsv. fall in the interval $\mu \pm \frac{2}{3}\sigma$
- Approx. 68% of all obsvs fall in the interval $\mu \pm \sigma$
- Approx. 95% of all obsvs fall in the interval $\mu \pm 2\sigma$
- Approx. 99% of all obsvs fall in the interval $\mu \pm 3\sigma$
- More precise intervals for 95% of the obsvs are $\mu \pm 1.96\sigma$ and for 99% of the observations are $\mu \pm 2.58\sigma$.

5. Z-Score (how many S.Ds away from the mean the point x lies) $z = \frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}$ (when X is normally distributed)

6. Roy's Safety-Frist Criterion = SF Ratio = $\frac{[E(R_p) - R_L]}{\sigma_p}$

7. Sharpe Ratio = $\frac{[E(R_p) - R_f]}{\sigma_p}$

8. Value at Risk = VAR = Minimum \$ loss expected over a specified period at a specified prob level.

9. Mean (μ_L) of a lognormal random variable = $\exp(\mu + 0.5\sigma^2)$