

**Online Appendix**  
**Asset Market Equilibrium and Family Firm Cost of Capital:**  
**Implications for Corporate Finance**

**A. Appendix**

**A.1 Appendix 1**

Let us denote  $\mathbf{H}$  as  $\mathbf{H} = [\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_v] \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta^{-1}$ . In the literature on asymmetric information,  $\mathbf{H}^{-1}$  is the classic measure of the informativeness of the noisy information  $\mathbf{I}$  since it can easily be shown that  $\mathbf{H}^{-1}$  is equal to the percentage reduction in the uncertainty of  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  as beliefs are updated from the ex-ante to the ex-post probability distribution. Using all these, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{I}) &= \mathbf{E}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\theta|\mathbf{I}} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta^{-1} [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{I})] \\ &= \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta [\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_v]^{-1} [(\boldsymbol{\theta} - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) + \mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{x} - \bar{\mathbf{x}})] \end{aligned} \quad (22a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\theta|\mathbf{I}} &= \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\theta|\mathbf{I}} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\theta|\mathbf{I}} \\ &= \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta^{-1} [\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta] \\ &= \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 (\boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 [\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_v] \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1)^{-1} [(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 [\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_v] \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1) \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1^{-1} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta] \\ &= \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta [\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\theta + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_v]^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_v \end{aligned} \quad (22b)$$

and we can rewrite  $\mathbf{E}_2(\mathbf{R})$  and  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_2$  as

$$\mathbf{E}_2(\mathbf{R}) = \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + \mathbf{H}^{-1} [(\boldsymbol{\theta} - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) + \mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{x} - \bar{\mathbf{x}})] - \mathbf{I} \quad (23)$$

and

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_2 = \mathbf{H}^{-1} [\mathbf{H} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_v \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\epsilon^{-1}] \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\epsilon \quad (24)$$

The market equilibrium clearing condition is:

$$\bar{W}_1(\mathbf{X}_1 - \mathbf{Y}_1) + \bar{W}_2(\mathbf{X}_2 - \mathbf{Y}_2) = \bar{W}_m \mathbf{x}$$

Substituting for  $\lambda$ ,  $\mathbf{Y}_i$ , and  $\mathbf{X}_i$  (from equation (8)) into the market equilibrium clearing condition results in

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda \left(\frac{1}{A}\right) \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\epsilon^{-1} [\boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 \boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2 \mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}_3 - R_f \mathbf{1} + \mathbf{B}] + (1 - \lambda) \left(\frac{1}{A}\right) \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\epsilon^{-1} [\mathbf{H} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_v \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\epsilon^{-1}]^{-1} \times \\ [\mathbf{H} \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + (\boldsymbol{\theta} - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) + \mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{x} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) - \mathbf{H} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 \boldsymbol{\theta} - \mathbf{H} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2 \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{H} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_3 - \mathbf{H} R_f \mathbf{1}] = \mathbf{x} + \lambda \mathbf{Y} \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

This market equilibrium condition must hold as an identity (i.e., for any realization of  $\mathbf{x}$ ) which implies the following three equations:

$$\lambda \left(\frac{1}{A}\right) \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\epsilon^{-1} (\mathbf{1} - \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1) + (1 - \lambda) \left(\frac{1}{A}\right) \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\epsilon^{-1} [\mathbf{H} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_v \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\epsilon^{-1}]^{-1} [\mathbf{1} - \mathbf{H} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1] = \mathbf{0} \quad (a1)$$

$$-\lambda \left(\frac{1}{A}\right) \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\epsilon^{-1} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2 + (1 - \lambda) \left(\frac{1}{A}\right) \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\epsilon^{-1} [\mathbf{H} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_v \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\epsilon^{-1}]^{-1} [\mathbf{Z} - \mathbf{H} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2] = \mathbf{1} \quad (a2)$$

$$-\lambda \left(\frac{1}{A}\right) \Sigma_{\varepsilon}^{-1} [\alpha_3 + R_f \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{B}] + (1 - \lambda) \left(\frac{1}{A}\right) \Sigma_{\varepsilon}^{-1} [\mathbf{H} + \Sigma_{\mathbf{v}} \Sigma_{\varepsilon}^{-1}]^{-1} \times [\mathbf{H}\bar{\theta} - \bar{\theta} - \mathbf{Z}\bar{x} - \mathbf{H}\alpha_3 - \mathbf{H}R_f \mathbf{1}] = \lambda Y \quad (\text{a3})$$

Solving equations (a1) to (a3) simultaneously<sup>24</sup> results in the information equilibrium expressions for  $\alpha_1$ ,  $\alpha_2$ , and  $\alpha_3$ .

## A.2 Appendix 2

Recall equation (16):

$$E[\mathbf{R}] = R_f \mathbf{1} + ACov(\mathbf{R}, R_m + I_m) + ACov(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{R} + \mathbf{I})\lambda Y - Cov(\mathbf{R}, \mathbf{R} + \mathbf{I})\lambda \Sigma_{\varepsilon}^{-1} \mathbf{B}$$

The matrix representation of this equation is:

$$E \begin{bmatrix} R_{FF} \\ R_{NF} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_f \\ R_f \end{bmatrix} + A \begin{bmatrix} Cov(R_{FF}, R_m + I_m) \\ Cov(R_{NF}, R_m + I_m) \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} Cov(R_{FF}, R_{FF} + I_{FF}) & Cov(R_{FF}, R_{NF} + I_{NF}) \\ Cov(R_{NF}, R_{FF} + I_{FF}) & Cov(R_{NF}, R_{NF} + I_{NF}) \end{bmatrix} \times \lambda \begin{bmatrix} Y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ + \begin{bmatrix} Cov(R_{FF}, R_{FF} + I_{FF}) & Cov(R_{FF}, R_{NF} + I_{NF}) \\ Cov(R_{NF}, R_{FF} + I_{FF}) & Cov(R_{NF}, R_{NF} + I_{NF}) \end{bmatrix} \times \lambda \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{\varepsilon_{FF}}^2 & \sigma_{\varepsilon_{FF}, \varepsilon_{NF}} \\ \sigma_{\varepsilon_{FF}, \varepsilon_{NF}} & \sigma_{\varepsilon_{NF}}^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The third term in this equation can be rewritten as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} Cov(R_{FF}, R_{FF} + I_{FF}) & Cov(R_{FF}, R_{NF} + I_{NF}) \\ Cov(R_{NF}, R_{FF} + I_{FF}) & Cov(R_{NF}, R_{NF} + I_{NF}) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{\varepsilon_{NF}}^2 \\ -\sigma_{\varepsilon_{FF}, \varepsilon_{NF}} \end{bmatrix} \frac{\lambda B}{|\Sigma_{\varepsilon}|}$$

Taking element by element of this matrix representation gives us the representation in equation (17) with

$$R_I + I_I = \lambda(R_{NF} + I_{NF})$$

## A.3 Appendix 3

Recall the (scalar) elements of  $\Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1}$  as

$$\Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}^{-1} = \frac{1}{|\Sigma_{\mathbf{w}}|} \begin{bmatrix} Cov(R_m, R_m + I_m) & Cov(R_m, R_B + I_B) & Cov(R_m, R_I + I_I) \\ Cov(R_B, R_m + I_m) & Cov(R_B, R_B + I_B) & Cov(R_B, R_I + I_I) \\ Cov(R_I, R_m + I_m) & Cov(R_I, R_B + I_B) & Cov(R_I, R_I + I_I) \end{bmatrix}$$

Aggregating equation (18) across the family and nonfamily firms, weighting them first by their relative market values (traded and nontraded) and then finding portfolios that will generate the *net* returns on private wealth and interaction returns results in the three equations.

<sup>24</sup> The detailed proof is available from the authors upon request.