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Deals with corporate finance and portfolio problems

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A substantially revised edition of a bestselling text combining explanation and implementation using Excel; for classroom use or as a reference for finance practitioners. Financial Modeling is now the standard text for explaining the implementation of financial models in Excel. This long-awaited fourth edition maintains the "cookbook" features and Excel dependence that have made the previous editions so popular. As in previous editions, basic and advanced models in the areas of corporate finance, portfolio management, options, and bonds are explained with

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detailed Excel spreadsheets. Sections on technical aspects of Excel and on the use of Visual Basic for Applications (VBA) round out the book to make Financial Modeling a complete guide for the financial modeler. The new edition of Financial Modeling includes a number of innovations. A new section explains the principles of Monte Carlo methods and their application to portfolio management and exotic option valuation. A new chapter discusses term structure modeling, with special emphasis on the Nelson-Siegel model. The discussion of corporate valuation using pro forma models has been rounded out with the introduction of a new, simple model for corporate valuation based on accounting data and a minimal number of valuation parameters. New print copies of this book include a card affixed to the inside back cover with a unique access code. Access codes are required to download Excel worksheets and solutions to end-of-chapter exercises. If you have a used copy of this book, you may purchase a digitally-delivered access code separately via the Supplemental Material link on this page. If you purchased an e-book, you may obtain a unique access code by emailing digitalproducts-cs@mit.edu or calling 617-253-2889 or 800-207-8354 (toll-free in the U.S. and Canada). Praise for earlier editions “Financial Modeling belongs on the desk of every finance professional. Its no-nonsense, hands-on approach makes it an indispensable tool.” —Hal R. Varian, Dean, School of Information Management and Systems, University of California, Berkeley “Financial Modeling is highly recommended to readers who are interested in an introduction to basic, traditional approaches to

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financial modeling and analysis, as well as to those who want to learn more about applying spreadsheet software to financial analysis." —Edward Weiss, *Journal of Computational Intelligence in Finance* "Benninga has a clear writing style and uses numerous illustrations, which make this book one of the best texts on using Excel for finance that I've seen." —Ed McCarthy, *Ticker Magazine*

A Review of Taxes and Corporate Finance investigates the consequences of taxation on corporate finance focusing on how taxes affect corporate policies and firm value. A common theme is that tax rules affect corporate incentives and decisions. A second emphasis is on research that describes how taxes affect costs and benefits. *A Review of Taxes and Corporate Finance* explores the multiple avenues for taxes to affect corporate decisions including capital structure decisions, organizational form and restructurings, payout policy, compensation policy, risk management, and the use of tax shelters. The author provides a theoretical framework, empirical predictions, and empirical evidence for each of these areas. Each section concludes with a discussion of unanswered questions and possible avenues for future research. *A Review of Taxes and Corporate Finance* is valuable reading for researchers and professionals in corporate finance, corporate governance, public finance and tax policy.

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problems with spreadsheets. The CD-ROM contains Excel* worksheets and solutions to end-of-chapter exercises. 634 illustrations.

Management Science provides students and business analysts with the technical knowledge and skill needed to develop real expertise in business modeling. The authors cover spreadsheet engineering, management science, and the modeling craft. The text is designed to improve modeling efficiency and modeling effectiveness by focusing on the most important tasks and tools.

This book provides a comprehensive introduction to modern financial modeling using Excel, VBA, standards of financial modeling and model review. It offers guidance on essential modeling concepts around the four core financial activities in the modern financial industry today: financial management; corporate finance; portfolio management and financial derivatives. Written in a highly practical, market focused manner, it gives step-by-step guidance on modeling practical problems in a structured manner. Quick and interactive learning is assured due to the structure as a training course which includes applied examples that are easy to follow. All applied examples contained in the book can be reproduced step by step with the help of the Excel files. The content of this book serves as the foundation for the training course Certified Financial Modeler. In an industry that is becoming increasingly complex, financial modeling is a key skill for

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practitioners across all key sectors of finance and banking, where complicated problems often need to be solved quickly and clearly. This book will equip readers with the basic modeling skills required across the industry today.

From the reviews: "Paul Glasserman has written an astonishingly good book that bridges financial engineering and the Monte Carlo method. The book will appeal to graduate students, researchers, and most of all, practicing financial engineers [...] So often, financial engineering texts are very theoretical. This book is not."

--Glyn Holton, Contingency Analysis

Corporate valuation using multiples is one of the most popular corporate valuation approaches. In this book, the different steps of this valuation approach such as the selection of comparable companies or the choice of the reference variables are discussed. Then, the circumstances required for a sound valuation (e.g., the degree of efficiency of the equity market) are described. Additionally, the book gives insight on how the state of the industry and/or the company has an impact on the proper choice of the reference variables. Finally, it is shown how multi-factor models can enrich the universe of valuation models. While always maintaining the academic rigor, the author addresses practice-relevant topics and delivers hands-on solutions for typical valuation problems.

Make informed business decisions with the beginner's guide to financial modeling

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using Microsoft Excel Financial Modeling in Excel For Dummies is your comprehensive guide to learning how to create informative, enlightening financial models today. Not a math whiz or an Excel power-user? No problem! All you need is a basic understanding of Excel to start building simple models with practical hands-on exercises and before you know it, you'll be modeling your way to optimized profits for your business in no time. Excel is powerful, user-friendly, and is most likely already installed on your computer—which is why it has so readily become the most popular financial modeling software. This book shows you how to harness Excel's capabilities to determine profitability, develop budgetary projections, model depreciation, project costs, value assets and more. You'll learn the fundamental best practices and know-how of financial modeling, and how to put them to work for your business and your clients. You'll learn the tools and techniques that bring insight out of the numbers, and make better business decisions based on quantitative evidence. You'll discover that financial modeling is an invaluable resource for your business, and you'll wonder why you've waited this long to learn how! Companies around the world use financial modeling for decision making, to steer strategy, and to develop solutions. This book walks you through the process with clear, expert guidance that assumes little prior knowledge. Learn the six crucial rules to follow when building a

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successful financial model Discover how to review and edit an inherited financial model and align it with your business and financial strategy Solve client problems, identify market projections, and develop business strategies based on scenario analysis Create valuable customized templates models that can become a source of competitive advantage From multinational corporations to the mom-and-pop corner store, there isn't a business around that wouldn't benefit from financial modeling. No need to buy expensive specialized software—the tools you need are right there in Excel. Financial Modeling in Excel For Dummies gets you up to speed quickly so you can start reaping the benefits today!

The definitive source of information on all topics related to investment valuation tools and techniques Valuation is at the heart of any investment decision, whether that decision is buy, sell or hold. But the pricing of many assets has become a more complex task in modern markets, especially after the recent financial crisis. In order to be successful at this endeavor, you must have a firm understanding of the proper valuation techniques. One valuation book stands out as withstanding the test of time among investors and students of financial markets, Aswath Damodaran's Investment Valuation. Now completely revised and updated to reflect changing market conditions, this third edition comprehensively introduces investment professionals and students to the range of valuation

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models available and how to choose the right model for any given asset valuation scenario. This edition includes valuation techniques for a whole host of real options, start-up firms, unconventional assets, distressed companies and private equity, and real estate. All examples have been updated and new material has been added. Fully revised to incorporate valuation lessons learned from the last five years, from the market crisis and emerging markets to new types of equity investments Includes valuation practices across the life cycle of companies and emphasizes value enhancement measures, such as EVA and CFROI Contains a new chapter on probabilistic valuation techniques such as decision trees and Monte Carlo Simulation Author Aswath Damodaran is regarded as one of the best educators and thinkers on the topic of investment valuation This indispensable guide is a must read for anyone wishing to gain a better understanding of investment valuation and its methods. With it, you can take the insights and advice of a recognized authority on the valuation process and immediately put them to work for you.

Finance is a topic that requires much computation, and in today's business world that computation is almost entirely done using Microsoft Excel. Despite this, existing finance textbooks continue to rely heavily on hand calculators, and business school students find that when they leave the academic environment

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they have to relearn finance using Excel. Addressing this issue, *Principles of Finance with Excel* is the only introductory finance text that comprehensively integrates Excel into the teaching and practice of finance. The second edition covers the same topics as standard financial textbooks, including portfolios, capital asset pricing models, stock and bond valuation, capital structure, and dividend and optional policy, and can therefore be used in any introductory course. However, this text also introduces Excel as it applies to finance students, demonstrating and explaining the implementation of finance concepts with Excel, and providing thorough coverage of all Excel topics including graphs, function data tables, dates in Excel, Goal Seek, and Solver. Combining classroom-tested pedagogy with the powerful functions of Excel, Simon Benninga, one of the most recognised names in financial modelling, shows students how spreadsheets can provide new and deeper insights into financial decision making.

Financial modeling is essential for determining a company's current value and projecting its future performance, yet few books explain how to build models for accurately interpreting financial statements. *Building Financial Models* is the first book to correct this oversight, unveiling a step-by-step process for creating a core model and then customizing it for companies in virtually any industry. Covering every aspect of building a financial model, it provides a broad understanding of

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the actual mechanics of models, as well as their foundational accounting and finance concepts.

"A rare blend of a well-organized, comprehensive guide to portfolio management and a deep, cutting-edge treatment of the key topics by distinguished authors who have all practiced what they preach. The subtitle, *A Dynamic Process*, points to the fresh, modern ideas that sparkle throughout this new edition. Just reading Peter Bernstein's thoughtful Foreword can move you forward in your thinking about this critical subject." —Martin L. Leibowitz, Morgan Stanley "Managing Investment Portfolios remains the definitive volume in explaining investment management as a process, providing organization and structure to a complex, multipart set of concepts and procedures. Anyone involved in the management of portfolios will benefit from a careful reading of this new edition." —Charles P. Jones, CFA, Edwin Gill Professor of Finance, College of Management, North Carolina State University

An excellent resource for investors, *Modern Portfolio Theory and Investment Analysis*, 9th Edition examines the characteristics and analysis of individual securities as well as the theory and practice of optimally combining securities into portfolios. A chapter on behavioral finance is included, aimed to explore the nature of individual decision making. A chapter on forecasting expected returns, a key input to portfolio

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management, is also included. In addition, investors will find material on value at risk and the use of simulation to enhance their understanding of the field.

[flap] For investors, risk is about the odds of losing money, and Value at Risk (VaR) is grounded in that common-sense fact. VaR modeling answers, “What is my worst-case scenario?” and “How much could I lose in a really bad month?” However, there has not been an effective guidebook available to help investors and financial managers make their own VaR calculations--until now. The VaR Implementation Handbook is a hands-on road map for professionals who have a solid background in VaR but need the critical strategies, models, and insights to apply their knowledge in the real world. Heralded as “the new science of risk management,” VaR has emerged as the dominant methodology used by financial institutions and corporate treasuries worldwide for estimating precisely how much money is at risk each day in the financial markets. The VaR Implementation Handbook picks up where other books on the subject leave off and demonstrates how, with proper implementation, VaR can be a valuable tool for assessing risk in a variety of areas--from equity to structured and operational products. This complete guide thoroughly covers the three major areas of VaR implementation--measuring, modeling risk, and managing--in three convenient sections. Savvy professionals will keep this handbook at their fingertips for its: Reliable advice from 40 recognized experts working in universities and financial institutions around the world Effective methods and measures to ensure that implemented VaR models

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maintain optimal performance Up-to-date coverage on newly exposed areas of volatility, including derivatives Real-world prosperity requires making informed financial decisions. The VaR Implementation Handbook is a step-by-step playbook to getting the most out of VaR modeling so you can successfully manage financial risk.

Financial Modeling MIT Press

This textbook contains the fundamentals for an undergraduate course in mathematical finance aimed primarily at students of mathematics. Assuming only a basic knowledge of probability and calculus, the material is presented in a mathematically rigorous and complete way. The book covers the time value of money, including the time structure of interest rates, bonds and stock valuation; derivative securities (futures, options), modelling in discrete time, pricing and hedging, and many other core topics. With numerous examples, problems and exercises, this book is ideally suited for independent study.

Provides a comprehensive guide for anyone who has to undertake financial analysis, or understand and implement financial models. Discusses a wide range of real-world financial problems and models using Excel 2007 and Visual Basic for Applications (VBA). Provides reference to earlier versions of Excel and VBA, and includes a CD-Rom with modelling tools and working versions of models discussed.

Dealing with all aspects of risk management that have undergone significant innovation in recent years, this book aims at being a reference work in its field. Different to other

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books on the topic, it addresses the challenges and opportunities facing the different risk management types in banks, insurance companies, and the corporate sector. Due to the rising volatility in the financial markets as well as political and operational risks affecting the business sector in general, capital adequacy rules are equally important for non-financial companies. For the banking sector, the book emphasizes the modifications implied by the Basel II proposal. The volume has been written for academics as well as practitioners, in particular finance specialists. It is unique in bringing together such a wide array of experts and correspondingly offers a complete coverage of recent developments in risk management.

The comprehensive, broadly-applicable, real-world guide to financial modelling *Principles of Financial Modelling – Model Design and Best Practices Using Excel and VBA* covers the full spectrum of financial modelling tools and techniques in order to provide practical skills that are grounded in real-world applications. Based on rigorously-tested materials created for consulting projects and for training courses, this book demonstrates how to plan, design and build financial models that are flexible, robust, transparent, and highly applicable to a wide range of planning, forecasting and decision-support contexts. This book integrates theory and practice to provide a high-value resource for anyone wanting to gain a practical understanding of this complex and nuanced topic. Highlights of its content include extensive coverage of: Model design and best practices, including the optimisation of data structures and layout, maximising

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transparency, balancing complexity with flexibility, dealing with circularity, model audit and error-checking Sensitivity and scenario analysis, simulation, and optimisation Data manipulation and analysis The use and choice of Excel functions and functionality, including advanced functions and those from all categories, as well as of VBA and its key areas of application within financial modelling The companion website provides approximately 235 Excel files (screen-clips of most of which are shown in the text), which demonstrate key principles in modelling, as well as providing many examples of the use of Excel functions and VBA macros. These facilitate learning and have a strong emphasis on practical solutions and direct real-world application. For practical instruction, robust technique and clear presentation, Principles of Financial Modelling is the premier guide to real-world financial modelling from the ground up. It provides clear instruction applicable across sectors, settings and countries, and is presented in a well-structured and highly-developed format that is accessible to people with different backgrounds.

Offering exceptional resources for students and instructors, Principles of Finance with Excel, Third Edition, combines classroom-tested pedagogy with the powerful functions of Excel software. Authors Simon Benninga and Tal Mofkadi show students how spreadsheets provide new and deeper insights into financial decision making. The third edition of Principles of Finance with Excel covers the same topics as standard financial textbooks - including portfolios, capital asset pricing models, stock and bond valuation,

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capital structure and dividend policy, and option pricing - and can therefore be used in any introductory course. In addition, it introduces Excel software as it applies to finance students and practitioners. Throughout the book, the implementation of finance concepts with Excel software is demonstrated and explained. A separate section of PFE provides thorough coverage of all Excel software topics used in the book: graphs, function data tables, dates, Goal Seek, and Solver. Visit www.oup.com/us/benninga for student and instructor resources, including all the spreadsheets used as examples in the text and in the end-of-chapter problems.

In Part I, the fundamentals of financial thinking and elementary mathematical methods of finance are presented. The method of presentation is simple enough to bridge the elements of financial arithmetic and complex models of financial math developed in the later parts. It covers characteristics of cash flows, yield curves, and valuation of securities. Part II is devoted to the allocation of funds and risk management: classics (Markowitz theory of portfolio), capital asset pricing model, arbitrage pricing theory, asset & liability management, value at risk. The method explanation takes into account the computational aspects. Part III explains modeling aspects of multistage stochastic programming on a relatively accessible level. It includes a survey of existing software, links to parametric, multiobjective and dynamic programming, and to probability and statistics. It focuses on scenario-based problems with the problems of scenario generation and output analysis discussed in detail and illustrated within a case study.

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Valuation: The Art and Science of Corporate Investment Decisions is the first textbook to offer an integrated approach to both project and enterprise valuation. The text goes beyond standard DCF analysis by including additional valuation methods commonly used in practice, such as comparables, simulations (including Crystal Ball®), and real options. In addition, discussions are considered against the backdrop of other quantitative and qualitative corporate issues that affect valuation, including:

- Organizational structure and incentives: The text examines how the corporate decision-making process as well as the incentive system can positively or negatively affect valuation.
- Strategic analysis and real options: Real options are presented as a tool to complement executive intuition and provide a more disciplined evaluation process that focuses on creating value.
- Risk management and hedging: Risks associated with interest rate fluctuations, variable foreign exchange rates, and fluctuating commodity prices can create hedging and risk management opportunities that affect value.

Financing: The ability to secure attractive financing terms is an important source of value, and readers should understand how financing opportunities influence the value of an investment opportunity.

Irrational behavior: The text examines how limitations in cognitive abilities and biases in assessing abilities of key players can affect valuation.

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text provides you with the tools you need to succeed. Margin notes, boxed-in definitions and formulas in the text, enhanced explanations in the text itself, and stated objectives for the examples found throughout the text make studying easy. Problem sets and cases provide realistic examples that enable you to see the relevance of the material to your future as a business leader. The CD-ROMs packaged with every new book include the following add-ins: the Palisade Decision Tools Suite (@RISK, StatTools, PrecisionTree, TopRank, and RISKOptimizer); and SolverTable, which allows you to do sensitivity analysis. All of these add-ins have been revised for Excel 2007.

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many offering substantially new and improved material. Other areas covered include financial statement modeling, leasing, standard portfolio problems, value at risk (VaR), real options, duration and immunization, and term structure modeling. Technical chapters treat such topics as data tables, matrices, the Gauss-Seidel method, and tips for using Excel. The last section of the text covers the Visual Basic for Applications (VBA) techniques needed for the book. The accompanying CD contains Excel worksheets and solutions to end-of-chapter exercises.

Praise for Financial Modeling with Crystal Ball(r) and Excel(r) "Professor Charnes's book drives clarity into applied Monte Carlo analysis using examples and tools relevant to real-world finance. The book will prove useful for analysts of all levels and as a supplement to academic courses in multiple disciplines." -Mark Odermann, Senior Financial Analyst, Microsoft "Think you really know financial modeling? This is a must-have for power Excel users. Professor Charnes shows how to make more realistic models that result in fewer surprises. Every analyst needs this credibility booster."

-James Franklin, CEO, Decisioneering, Inc. "This book packs a first-year MBA's worth of financial and business modeling education into a few dozen easy-to-understand examples. Crystal Ball software does the housekeeping, so readers can concentrate on the business decision. A careful reader who works the examples on a computer will master the best general-purpose technology available for working with uncertainty."

-Aaron Brown, Executive Director, Morgan Stanley, author of The Poker Face of Wall

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Street "Using Crystal Ball and Excel, John Charnes takes you step by step, demonstrating a conceptual framework that turns static Excel data and financial models into true risk models. I am astonished by the clarity of the text and the hands-on, step-by-step examples using Crystal Ball and Excel; Professor Charnes is a masterful teacher, and this is an absolute gem of a book for the new generation of analyst."

-Brian Watt, Chief Operating Officer, GECC, Inc. "Financial Modeling with Crystal Ball and Excel is a comprehensive, well-written guide to one of the most useful analysis tools available to professional risk managers and quantitative analysts. This is a must-have book for anyone using Crystal Ball, and anyone wanting an overview of basic risk management concepts." -Paul Dietz, Manager, Quantitative Analysis, Westar Energy

"John Charnes presents an insightful exploration of techniques for analysis and understanding of risk and uncertainty in business cases. By application of real options theory and Monte Carlo simulation to planning, doors are opened to analysis of what used to be impossible, such as modeling the value today of future project choices."

-Bruce Wallace, Nortel

A hands-on guide to using Excel in the business context First published in 2012, Using Excel for Business and Financial Modelling contains step-by-step instructions of how to solve common business problems using financial models, including downloadable Excel templates, a list of shortcuts and tons of practical tips and techniques you can apply straight away. Whilst there are many hundreds of tools, features and functions in

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Excel, this book focuses on the topics most relevant to finance professionals. It covers these features in detail from a practical perspective, but also puts them in context by applying them to practical examples in the real world. Learn to create financial models to help make business decisions whilst applying modelling best practice methodology, tools and techniques. • Provides the perfect mix of practice and theory • Helps you become a DIY Excel modelling specialist • Includes updates for Excel 2019/365 and Excel for Mac • May be used as an accompaniment to the author's online and face-to-face training courses Many people are often overwhelmed by the hundreds of tools in Excel, and this book gives clarity to the ones you need to know in order to perform your job more efficiently. This book also demystifies the technical, design, logic and financial skills you need for business and financial modelling.

A properly structured financial model can provide decision makers with a powerful planning tool that helps them identify the consequences of their decisions before they are put into practice. Introduction to Financial Models for Management and Planning, Second Edition enables professionals and students to learn how to develop and use computer-based models for financial planning. This volume provides critical tools for the financial toolbox, then shows how to use them tools to build successful models.

Downloadable Excel worksheets and solutions to end-of-chapter exercises accompany Financial Modeling, Fourth Edition, by Simon Benninga. Access codes are required to download the supplemental material. New print copies of this book include a card

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A substantially updated new edition of the essential text on financial modeling, with revised material, new data, and implementations shown in Excel, R, and Python. Financial Modeling has become the gold-standard text in its field, an essential guide for students, researchers, and practitioners that provides the computational tools needed for modeling finance fundamentals. This fifth edition has been substantially updated but maintains the straightforward, hands-on approach, with an optimal mix of explanation and implementation, that made the previous editions so popular. Using detailed Excel spreadsheets, it explains basic and advanced models in the areas of corporate finance, portfolio management, options, and bonds. This new edition offers revised material on valuation, second-order and third-order Greeks for options, value at risk (VaR), Monte Carlo methods, and implementation in R. The examples and implementation use up-to-date and relevant data. Parts I to V cover corporate finance topics, bond and yield curve models, portfolio theory, options and derivatives, and Monte Carlo methods and their implementation in finance. Parts VI and VII treat technical topics, with part VI covering Excel and R issues and part VII (now on the book's auxiliary website) covering Excel's programming language, Visual Basic for

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Applications (VBA), and Python implementations. Knowledge of technical chapters on VBA and R is not necessary for understanding the material in the first five parts. The book is suitable for use in advanced finance classes that emphasize the need to combine modeling skills with a deeper knowledge of the underlying financial models.

From the Author: This is not another boring, impossible to read, thousand-page textbook. On the contrary, this is an exciting journey into the world of Wall Street-style financial modeling. The motivation behind this book comes from my days as a new research analyst, trying to juggle the demands of 80-plus hour work weeks, FINRA exams, and client meetings, while attempting to learn the basics of modeling. At the time I sought outside educational resources only to find useless classes focused on spreadsheet tricks, or high-level theory-based books with little practical value. What I really needed was someone to sit down, and show me exactly how to build a model, using a real company as an example, from start to finish. Now, years after leaving the sell-side rat race, I have written the book that I sought when I was new to the street. The result is a clear, concise, easy to read guide on how to build a three-statement model. The book starts with an introduction to the industry and important background information for new analysts. Then, beginning with a blank spreadsheet, the text

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demonstrates exactly how to build a model using an actual company example. Throughout the chapters there are numerous images of the model which highlight key elements, as if I were pointing to a computer screen and explaining it directly to the reader. There are also more than 30 spreadsheets available for download to follow along with the text. After the model is built, I discuss effective ways to use it for forecasting and share valuation, and demonstrate how to maintain the model over time. I have also included insight from my experience in research, pitfalls to watch for, and frequently asked questions from my research team, to help add color to the subject matter. This book is a self-published, grassroots effort. You will not find a shiny professional cover or expert photographs inside. This book is less what you would expect from a traditional textbook, and closer to an informal conversation between me and the reader. Sometimes all you need is to talk to someone who has been there, and that is what you will get between these two covers. Ultimately the goal is to have my readers come away from their experience feeling empowered and excited to build an earnings model of their own. Regardless of whether or not you intend to start a career in equity research, if you would like to learn how to model earnings for a company, then this book is a good place to get started.

Success in today's sophisticated financial markets depends on a firm

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understanding of key financial concepts and mathematical techniques. Mastering Financial Calculations explains them in a clear, comprehensive way — so even if your mathematical background is limited, you'll thoroughly grasp what you need to know. Mastering Financial Calculations starts by introducing the fundamentals of financial market arithmetic, including the core concepts of discounting, net present value, effective yields, and cash flow analysis. Next, walk step-by-step through the essential calculations and financial techniques behind money markets and futures, zero-coupon analysis, interest rate and currency swaps, bonds, foreign exchange, options, and more. Making use of many worked examples and practical exercises, the book explains challenging concepts such as forward pricing, duration analysis, swap valuation, and option pricing - all with exceptional clarity. Whether you are a trader, fund manager, corporate treasurer, programmer, accountant, risk manager, or market student, you'll gain the ability to manipulate and apply these techniques with speed and confidence. All the precision of financial modeling--and none of the complexity Evidence-based decision making is only as good as the external evidence on which it is based. Financial models uncover potential risks on a company's balance sheet, but the complexity of these instruments has limited their effectiveness. Now, Mastering Financial Modeling offers a simplified method for building the fast and

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accurate financial models serious evidencebased decision makers need. What sets this practical guide apart is its "learning-on-the-job" approach. Unlike other books that teach modeling in a vacuum, this superior method uses a diverse collection of case studies to convey each step of the building process. "Learning on the job" connects the dots between the proper Excel formulas and functions and the real-world situations where you want to use them. By learning through association, you can absorb the information quickly and have it ready to use when you need it. The book starts right off on building models--from creating a standalone cash flow model through integrating it with an income statement and balance sheet. Along the way, you will master the skill set you need to build advanced financial models. With only a basic knowledge of accounting and finance, individual investors and financial professionals alike can: Create a core model and customize it for companies in most industries Understand every working component of a financial model and what each one tells you about a company Format cells and sheets in Excel for easily repeatable modeling Written with the practitioner in mind, Mastering Financial Modeling shows you how to ensure your model is ready for real-world application by safeguarding it against modeling errors. It covers a full array of Excel's builtin auditing and testing tools and illustrates how to build customized error-checking tools of your own to catch

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the inaccuracies that typically fall through the cracks. Get the most out of your data with *Mastering Financial Modeling*. *Mastering Financial Modeling* brings the power of financial models down to earth and puts it in the hands of investors, bankers, and private equity professionals who don't have a passion for crunching numbers. Nowhere else can you get step-by-step instruction on building these valuable tools from an elite World Bank investment officer. Starting from the ground up, Eric Soubieiga shows you how to interpret and build financial models in Microsoft Excel that will accurately assess any company's valuation and profit potential. Even if you have unsuccessfully tried financial modeling in the past, this book will reach you because it associates every lesson to the business world you work in daily. Chapter by chapter, you will master financial modeling, and in the end, you will:

- Command authority over building every aspect of a financial model
- Be capable of explaining the accounting and finance concepts behind the mechanics of modeling
- Confidently determine a company's ability to generate cash flows for its capital investors with discounted cash flow (DCF) modeling
- Execute powerful spreadsheet calculations in Excel

Most importantly, as a decision maker, the insight you bring to the table through your sophisticated understanding and application of financial modeling will benefit every stakeholder. See what leading professionals around the world already

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