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The Hedge Fund Mirage - Simon A. Lack 2012-01-03

The dismal truth about hedge funds and how investors can get a greater share of the profits Shocking but true: if all the money that's ever been invested in hedge funds had been in treasury bills, the results would have been twice as good. Although hedge fund managers have earned some great fortunes, investors as a group have done quite poorly, particularly in recent years. Plagued by high fees, complex legal structures, poor disclosure, and return chasing, investors confront surprisingly meager results. Drawing on an insider's view of industry growth during the 1990s, a time when hedge fund investors did well in part because there were relatively few of them, *The Hedge Fund Mirage* chronicles the early days of hedge fund investing before institutions got into the game and goes on to describe the seeding business, a specialized area in which investors provide venture capital-type funding to promising but undiscovered hedge funds. Today's investors need to do better, and this book highlights the many subtle and not-so-subtle ways that the returns and risks are biased in favor of the hedge fund manager, and how investors and allocators can redress the imbalance. The surprising frequency of fraud, highlighted with several examples that the author was able to avoid through solid due diligence, industry contacts, and some luck Why new and emerging hedge fund managers are where generally better returns are to be found, because most capital invested is steered towards apparently safer but less profitable large, established funds rather than smaller managers that evoke the more profitable 1990s Hedge fund investors have had it hard in recent years, but *The Hedge Fund Mirage* is here to change that, by turning the tables on conventional wisdom and putting the hedge fund investor back on top.

The Oxford Handbook of Hedge Funds - Douglas Cumming 2021

This handbook provides a comprehensive look at the hedge fund industry from a global perspective.

QFINANCE: The Ultimate Resource, 4th edition - Bloomsbury Publishing 2013-09-26

QFINANCE: The Ultimate Resource (4th edition) offers both practical and thought-provoking articles for the finance practitioner, written by leading experts from the markets and academia. The coverage is expansive and in-depth, with key themes which include balance sheets and cash flow, regulation, investment, governance, reputation management, and Islamic finance encompassed in over 250 best practice and thought leadership articles. This edition will also comprise key perspectives on environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors -- essential for understanding the long-term sustainability of a company, whether you are an investor or a corporate strategist. Also included: Checklists: more than 250 practical guides and solutions to daily financial challenges; Finance Information Sources: 200+ pages spanning 65 finance areas; International Financial Information: up-to-date country and industry data; Management Library: over 130 summaries of the most popular finance titles; Finance Thinkers: 50 biographies covering their work and life; Quotations and Dictionary.

Hedge Funds: An Analytic Perspective - Andrew W. Lo 2010-07-21

The hedge fund industry has grown dramatically over the last two decades, with more than eight thousand funds now controlling close to two trillion dollars. Originally intended for the wealthy, these private investments have now attracted a much broader following that includes pension funds and retail investors. Because hedge funds are largely unregulated and shrouded in secrecy, they have developed a mystique and allure that can beguile even the most experienced investor. In *Hedge Funds*, Andrew Lo--one of the world's most respected financial economists--addresses the pressing need for a systematic framework for managing hedge fund investments. Arguing that hedge funds have very different risk and return characteristics than traditional investments, Lo constructs new tools for analyzing their dynamics, including measures of illiquidity exposure and performance smoothing, linear and nonlinear risk models that capture alternative betas, econometric models of hedge fund failure rates, and integrated investment processes for alternative investments. In a new chapter, he looks at how the strategies for and regulation of hedge funds have changed in the aftermath of the financial crisis.

Hedge Funds - Andrew Wen-Chuan Lo 2008

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Hedge Funds - Andrew W. Lo 2010-07-01

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Hedge Fund Activism - Alon Brav 2010

Hedge Fund Activism begins with a brief outline of the research literature and describes datasets on hedge

fund activism.

The Fearful Rise of Markets - John Authers 2012-09-26

"Concise, relevant, and perceptive...this book should be read by all those interested in the way markets operate, be they investors, analysts, or policy makers." -From the Foreword by Mohamed A. El-Erian, CEO and co-CIO of PIMCO, and author of *When Markets Collide* "A must-read for anyone concerned about how we can avoid recurring debt-induced busts in the years ahead, or anyone who wonders how to invest if (when!) the crisis returns. Authers' insights on the global financial crisis are profound." -Robert D. Arnott, Chairman, Research Affiliates, LLC "In a crowded field of works on the financial crisis, Authers' work is unique in both its insight and style." -Robert R. Johnson, Ph.D., CFA, Senior Managing Director of the CFA Institute "John Authers has combined his journalistically honed FT skills with great insights. Serious investors and policy makers should read this book." -David R. Kotok, Chairman and Chief Investment Officer of Cumberland Advisors "John masterfully drives a stake through the myth of global economic decoupling one chapter and example at a time. A must-read in today's economy." -Vitaliy Katsenelson, Director of Research at Investment Management Associates, Inc, author of *Active Value Investing: Making Money in Range-Bound Markets* Award-winning Financial Times journalist John Authers explains the multiple roots of repeated financial crises. He explains why it is that investment bubbles now form all at once, all across the world and why so many markets that were once considered disconnected are now able to collapse all at the same time. He offers a strategy for preventing future financial disasters. Market bubbles are growing ever bigger, ever more terrifying. As soon as one ends, the next one seems already to be inflating. Multiple markets, once disconnected, are aligning in ways that are increasingly unpredictable and uncontrollable. Something has changed. What can we do about it? *The Fearful Rise of Markets* explains how the world's markets became synchronised, how they formed a bubble, how they all managed to crash together and then rebound together, and what can be done to prevent another synchronised bust in future. From post-Depression regulation and the 1954 recovery from the Great Crash, through the innovations and mis-steps that led to the collapse of Lehman Brothers in 2008, to the markets rally of 2009, *The Fearful Rise of Markets* details massive shifts in the way our money is invested, and in the global balance of economic power.

More Money Than God - Sebastian Mallaby 2011-05-03

Wealthy, powerful, and potentially dangerous, hedge-fund managers have emerged as the stars of twenty-first century capitalism. Based on unprecedented access to the industry, *More Money Than God* provides the first authoritative history of hedge funds. This is the inside story of their origins in the 1960s and 1970s, their explosive battles with central banks in the 1980s and 1990s, and finally their role in the financial crisis of 2007-9. Hedge funds reward risk takers, so they tend to attract larger-than-life personalities. Jim Simons began life as a code-breaker and mathematician, co-authoring a paper on theoretical geometry that led to breakthroughs in string theory. Ken Griffin started out trading convertible bonds from his Harvard dorm room. Paul Tudor Jones happily declared that a 1929-style crash would be 'total rock-and-roll' for him. Michael Steinhardt was capable of reducing underlings to sobs. 'All I want to do is kill myself,' one said. 'Can I watch?' Steinhardt responded. A saga of riches and rich egos, this is also a history of discovery. Drawing on insights from mathematics, economics and psychology to crack the mysteries of the market, hedge funds have transformed the world, spawning new markets in exotic financial instruments and rewriting the rules of capitalism. And while major banks, brokers, home lenders, insurers and money market funds failed or were bailed out during the crisis of 2007-9, the hedge-fund industry survived the test, proving that money can be successfully managed without taxpayer safety nets. Anybody pondering fixes to the financial system could usefully start here: the future of finance lies in the history of hedge funds.

Buffett Beyond Value - Prem C. Jain 2010-03-29

A detailed look at how Warren Buffett really invests In this engaging new book, author Prem Jain extracts Warren Buffett's wisdom from his writings, Berkshire Hathaway financial statements, and his letters to shareholders and partners in his partnership firms-thousands of pages written over the last fifty years. Jain uncovers the key elements of Buffett's approach that every investor should be aware of. With *Buffett Beyond Value*, you'll learn that, contrary to popular belief, Warren Buffett is not a pure value investor, but a

unique thinker who combines the principles of both value and growth investing strategies. You'll also discover why understanding CEOs is more important than studying financial metrics; and why you need an appropriate psychological temperament to be a successful investor. Reveals Buffett's multifaceted investment principles Discusses how Buffett thinks differently from others about portfolio diversification, market efficiency, and corporate governance Highlights how you can build a diverse and profitable investment portfolio With this book as your guide, you'll learn how to successfully invest like Warren Buffett.

Advances in Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management - Cheng-Few Lee 2008-03-01

Advances in Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management (New Series) is an annual publication designed to disseminate developments in the area of investment analysis and portfolio management. The publication is a forum for statistical and quantitative analyses of issues in security analysis, portfolio management, options, futures, and other related issues. The objective is to promote interaction between academic research in finance, economics, and accounting and applied research in the financial community. The chapters in this volume cover a wider range of topics including equity markets, risk return trade-off analysis and portfolio management, and IPOs. In this volume there are 10 chapters, four of them analyze the issues of equity markets: 1. Revisiting U.S. Stock Market Returns: Individual Retirement Accounts; 2. Asset Returns and Monetary Policy in the Emerging Taiwan Financial Markets; 3. On the Intradaily Relationship between Information Revelation and Trade Duration: The Evidence of MSCI Taiwan Stock Index Futures; and 4. Does the Net Flow of Funds Help to Predict the S&P 500 Index? Four of the other six chapters discuss risk return trade-off analysis and portfolio management: 1. An Intertemporal Analysis of Optimal International Asset Allocation; 2. Complexity and the Performance of Investment Portfolios; 3. The Similarity Between Mean-Variance and Mean-Gini: Testing for Equality of Gini Correlations; 4. Estimating Capital Market Parameters: CRSP Versus Yahoo Data. The remaining two papers are related to IPOs: 1. Distinguishing Quality within the IPO Market and 2. Do IPO Firms have Lower Risk? Evidence from IPO Performance in Different States of the World? In sum, this annual publication covers equity markets, IPO, risk return trade-off analysis, and portfolio management. Therefore, the material covered in this publication is not only useful for academicians and but also for practitioners in the area of Finance.

QFINANCE - Bloomsbury Publishing 2014-11-20

QFINANCE: The Ultimate Resource (5th edition) is the first-step reference for the finance professional or student of finance. Its coverage and author quality reflect a fine blend of practitioner and academic expertise, whilst providing the reader with a thorough education in the many facets of finance.

Advances in Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management (New Series) Vol 6 - Cheng F. Lee 2014-01-01

Advances in Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management (New Series) is an annual publication designed to disseminate developments in the area of investment analysis and portfolio management. The publication is a forum for statistical and quantitative analyses of issues in security analysis, portfolio management, options, futures, and other related issues. The objective is to promote interaction between academic research in finance, economics, and accounting and applied research in the financial community.

QFinance - 2009-10-13

An authoritative reference for financial professionals features coverage of key areas ranging from auditing and banking to insurance and investments, in a volume that includes checklists, biographies, summaries of key works, and quotations.

Hedge Funds - Greg N. Gregoriou 2003

Twenty-one contributions from academics and practitioners discuss recent research on hedge funds. Aimed at investment professionals and high net worth individuals, the text deals with current methods of hedge fund tracking, evaluation, and selection. Sample topics include convertible arbitrage funds

Hedge Fund Analysis - Frank J. Travers 2012-08-14

A detailed, step-by-step book covering the entire hedge fund evaluation process Investing in hedge funds is different from investing in other asset classes. There is much less publicly available information about hedge funds performance than there is about mutual funds or individual stocks. Consequently, investing in this class requires more sophisticated investment knowledge, greater due diligence, and, in many cases, a better-

developed ability to evaluate investment managers. Hedge Fund Analysis provides a broad framework of how to approach this endeavor, from initial screening to analytical techniques, interviewing skills, and legal and contract negotiations. Along the way, it demonstrates a variety of mechanisms for monitoring and tracking hedge funds and the underlying hedge fund portfolios—explaining each stage of the process in minute detail and providing specific examples which fully explain the opportunities and challenges you'll face each step of the way. Provides a detailed look at how to source hedge funds, screen through them, and rank their strengths and weaknesses. Lays out a thorough process for evaluating funds, from initial interviews to performance analysis to on-site meetings. Reveals what questions to ask by strategy in order to understand the underlying risk factors associated with each. Highlights non-investment analysis, including operational due diligence and risk management, as integral elements in the process. Written by a financial professional with over twenty years of experience conducting investment manager due diligence, this book will put you in a position to make more informed decisions when investing in hedge funds.

The Hedge Fund Fraud Casebook - Bruce Johnson 2010-01-29

An in-depth, well-researched look at 100 hedge fund frauds. Compared to mutual funds, hedge funds are the James Bonds of the marketplace. They have been relatively unfettered by government regulation, and they play bigger games, take bigger risks, use unorthodox methods, and have the power to capture the public imagination in a way that their lesser counterparts have difficulty approaching. At once fascinating and startling, The Hedge Fund Fraud Casebook provides readers with a broad knowledge of hedge fund regulation through a look at the first 100 cases of proven fraud at hedge funds. Compiling concrete data on cases of hedge fund fraud, The Hedge Fund Fraud Casebook provides you with a factual foundation for assessing this difficult area of risk. First comprehensive survey of hedge fund fraud including 100 chronological fraud cases. Includes descriptions of each case, diagram of the player interaction, and tables detailing monies recovered, fines paid, prison terms, and professional sanctions. Useful for both individual and professional investors, particularly given the last eighteen months of fraud and mismanagement among leading financial professionals and companies. The Hedge Fund Fraud Casebook provides a hedge fund professional's look at fraud and can help you prevent or avoid similar frauds in the future. It's a vital resource for any hedge fund manager or investor.

An Introduction to Global Financial Markets - Stephen Valdez 2017-09-16

This textbook provides an accessible introduction to finance and financial markets around the world. Requiring no previous knowledge of the subject, the authors comprehensively cover a broad range of different types of banking, markets, foreign exchange and derivative products. Incorporating recent events and current developments in finance, contemporary, international examples are used throughout to illustrate this fast-moving subject area. With Stephen Valdez's decades of experience as a financial trainer and Philip Molyneux's academic experience, they are the perfect team for this accessible and applied textbook. This textbook is core reading for second and third year undergraduate students studying modules in financial markets and institutions as part of business and management degree courses. In addition it is suitable for use on MBA finance courses. New to this Edition: - Provides updated and expanded coverage of the global financial crisis of 2007-08 and its aftermath - Explains and contextualises the major structural and regulatory reforms of global banking and financial markets - A new design to make it more student-friendly, such as illustrative boxes that explain key financial issues

Investing in Hedge Funds - Turan Bali 2013-06-29

This book will present a comprehensive view of the risk characteristics, risk-adjusted performances, and risk exposures of various hedge fund indices. It will distinguish itself from other books and journal articles by focusing solely on hedge fund indices and emphasizing tail risk as a predictor of hedge fund index returns. The three chapters in this short book have not been previously published. Presents new insights about the investability and performance measurement of an investor's final portfolio. Uses most recently developed investable hedge fund indexes to revise previous analyses of indexes. Focuses on 14 distinct types of hedge fund indices with daily data from January 1994 to December 2011.

Advanced Business Analytics - Fausto Pedro García Márquez 2015-01-24

The book describes advanced business analytics and shows how to apply them to many different professional areas of engineering and management. Each chapter of the book is contributed by a different

author and covers a different area of business analytics. The book connects the analytic principles with business practice and provides an interface between the main disciplines of engineering/technology and the organizational, administrative and planning abilities of management. It also refers to other disciplines such as economy, finance, marketing, behavioral economics and risk analysis. This book is of special interest to engineers, economists and researchers who are developing new advances in engineering management but also to practitioners working on this subject.

Hedge Fund Returns - Christian Alexander Wegener 2011

The present work advances the research on hedge fund returns in three main areas. Firstly, their statistical properties are assessed in order to understand by what degree the returns of this alternative asset class are subject to non-normality, autocorrelation and heteroscedasticity. Secondly, state-of-the-art econometric approaches are used for the purpose of analyzing whether and to what extent monthly hedge fund returns are forecastable. Thirdly, an effort is made to identify and explain which economic risks affect the performance of the different hedge fund strategy styles in which way. The empirical results suggest that monthly hedge fund returns are forecastable by means of multivariate regression models which rely on economic predictors such as changes in interest rates or changes in business outlooks. Accounting for the fact that hedge fund returns are non-normally distributed, heteroscedastic and time-varying in their exposure to pervasive risk factors, the devised econometric models are found to deliver significant out-of-sample predictive power. The thesis at hand also documents that the interdependencies between the monthly changes of envisaged risk factors and the subsequent hedge fund returns remain remarkably stable throughout time. In essence, the performance of hedge funds appears to be sensitive to common business cycle movements. Altogether, the results are relevant to researchers in search of a description and application of contemporary return prediction methods as well as to investors in need of a better understanding of the drivers of hedge fund returns.

The Heretics of Finance - Andrew W. Lo 2010-05-21

The Heretics of Finance provides extraordinary insight into both the art of technical analysis and the character of the successful trader. Distinguished MIT professor Andrew W. Lo and researcher Jasmina Hasahodzic interviewed thirteen highly successful, award-winning market professionals who credit their substantial achievements to technical analysis. The result is the story of technical analysis in the words of the people who know it best; the lively and candid interviews with these gurus of technical analysis. The first half of the book focuses on the technicians' careers: How and why they learned technical analysis. What market conditions increase their chances of making mistakes. What their average workday is like. To what extent trading controls their lives. Whether they work on their own or with a team. How their style of technical analysis is unique. The second half concentrates on technical analysis and addresses questions such as these: Did the lack of validation by academics ever cause you to doubt technical analysis? Can technical analysis be applied to other disciplines? How do you prove the validity of the method? How has computer software influenced the craft? What is the role of luck in technical analysis? Are there laws that underlie market action? What traits characterize a highly successful trader? How do you test patterns before you start using them with real money? Interviewees include: Ralph J. Acampora, Laszlo Birinyi, Walter Deemer, Paul Desmond, Gail Dudack, Robert J. Farrell, Ian McAvity, John Murphy, Robert Prechter, Linda Raschke, Alan R. Shaw, Anthony Tabell, Stan Weinstein.

World Of Hedge Funds, The: Characteristics And Analysis - H Gifford Fong 2005-07-18

The World of Hedge Funds is a compendium of distinguished papers focusing on the cutting-edge analysis of hedge funds. This area is arguably the fastest growing source of funds in the investment management arena. It represents an exciting opportunity for the investor and manager in terms of the range of return and risk available. A source of rigorous analysis is therefore both sought after as well as needed. This book aims to fill this gap by presenting an eclectic collection of papers contributed by influential academics and practitioners covering the characteristics and problems of hedge funds.

Hedge Funds - H. Kent Baker 2017-07-26

Hedge Funds: Structure, Strategies, and Performance provides a synthesis of the theoretical and empirical literature on this intriguing, complex, and frequently misunderstood topic. The book dispels some common misconceptions of hedge funds, showing that they are not a monolithic asset class but pursue highly diverse

strategies. Furthermore, not all hedge funds are unusually risky, excessively leveraged, invest only in illiquid assets, attempt to profit from short-term market movements, or only benefit hedge fund managers due to their high fees. Among the core issues addressed are how hedge funds are structured and how they work, hedge fund strategies, leading issues in this investment, and the latest trends and developments. The authors examine hedge funds from a range of perspectives, and from the theoretical to the practical. The book explores the background, organization, and economics of hedge funds, as well as their structure. A key part is the diverse investment strategies hedge funds follow, for example some are activists, others focusing on relative value, and all have views on managing risk. The book examines various ways to evaluate hedge fund performance, and enhances understanding of their regulatory environment. The extensive and engaging examination of these issues help the reader understand the important issues and trends facing hedge funds, as well as their future prospects.

Economic Developments in India : Monthly Update, Volume -80 Analysis, Reports, Policy Documents -
Editors : Raj Kapila & Uma Kapila 2004

Advances in Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management (New Series) Vol 7 - Cheng F. Lee 2016-01-01
Advances in Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management (New Series) is an annual publication designed to disseminate developments in the area of investment analysis and portfolio management. The publication is a forum for statistical and quantitative analyses of issues in security analysis, portfolio management, options, futures, and other related issues. The objective is to promote interaction between academic research in finance, economics, and accounting and applied research in the financial community.

The Economist Guide to Investment Strategy (3rd Ed) - The Economist 2014-03-04

Supported by numerous charts and detailed analysis, *The Economist Guide to Investment Strategy* outlines how to construct investment strategies appropriate for individual investors. It looks at the risks and opportunities of uncomplicated strategies and it comes with wealth-warnings for those who wish to explore more sophisticated and fashionable investment approaches. It emphasizes the importance of taking into account insights from behavioral analysis as well as the principles of traditional finance. It highlights how habitual patterns of decision-making can lead any of us into costly mistakes, and it stresses how markets are most dangerous when they appear to be most rewarding.

The Theory and Practice of Investment Management - Frank J. Fabozzi 2002-11-25

Expert advice that applies the theory and practice of investment management to today's financial environment. The changing nature and rapid growth of the investment management industry, along with new theoretical developments in the field of finance, have led to a need for higher quality investment management practices and better qualified professionals. *The Theory and Practice of Investment Management* recognizes these needs and addresses them with sharp, innovative insights from some of the most respected experts in the field of investment management. *The Theory and Practice of Investment Management* discusses and describes the full scope of investment products and strategies available in today's market. Led by financial experts Frank Fabozzi and Harry Markowitz, the contributors to this book are active, successful practitioners with hands-on expertise. By combining real-world financial knowledge with investment management theory, this book provides a complete analysis of all pertinent investment products-including hedge funds and private equity-and explores a wide range of investment strategies. Tying together theoretical advances in investment management with actual applications, this book gives readers an opportunity to use proven investment management techniques to protect and grow a portfolio under many different circumstances.

The Financial Crisis in Perspective (Collection) - Mark Zandi 2012-05

How the financial crisis really happened, and what it really meant: 3 books packed with lessons for investors and policymakers! These three books offer unsurpassed insight into the causes and implications of the global financial crisis: information every investor and policy-maker needs to prepare for an extraordinarily uncertain future. In *Financial Shock, Updated Edition*, renowned economist Mark Zandi provides the most concise, lucid account of the economic, political, and regulatory causes of the collapse, plus new insights into the continuing impact of the Obama administration's policies. Zandi doesn't just illuminate the roles of mortgage lenders, investment bankers, speculators, regulators, and the Fed: he

offers sensible recommendations for preventing the next collapse. In *Extreme Money*, best-selling author and global finance expert Satyajit Das reveals the spectacular, dangerous money games that are generating increasingly massive bubbles of fake growth, prosperity, and wealth, while endangering the jobs, possessions, and futures of everyone outside finance. Das explains how everything from home mortgages to climate change have become fully financialized... how "voodoo banking" keeps generating massive phony profits even now... and how a new generation of "Masters of the Universe" has come to own the world. Finally, in *The Fearful Rise of Markets*, top Financial Times global finance journalist John Authers reveals how the first truly global super bubble was inflated, and may now be inflating again. He illuminates the multiple roots of repeated financial crises, presenting a truly global view that avoids both oversimplification and ideology. Most valuable of all, Authers offers realistic solutions: for decision-makers who want to prevent disaster, and investors who want to survive it. From world-renowned leaders and experts, including Dr. Mark Zandi, Satyajit Das, and John Authers

Market Risk Management for Hedge Funds - Francois Duc 2010-04-01

This book provides a cutting edge introduction to market risk management for Hedge Funds, Hedge Funds of Funds, and the numerous new indices and clones launching coming to market on a near daily basis. It will present the fundamentals of quantitative risk measures by analysing the range of Value-at-Risk (VaR) models used today, addressing the robustness of each model, and looking at new risk measures available to more effectively manage risk in a hedge fund portfolio. The book begins by analysing the current state of the hedge fund industry - at the ongoing institutionalisation of the market, and at its latest developments. It then moves on to examine the range of risks, risk controls, and risk management strategies currently employed by practitioners, and focuses on particular risks embedded in the more classic investment strategies such as Long/Short, Convertible Arbitrage, Fixed Income Arbitrage, Short selling and risk arbitrage. Addressed along side these are other risks common to hedge funds, including liquidity risk, leverage risk and counterparty risk. The book then moves on to examine more closely two models which provide the underpinning for market risk management in investment today - Style Value-at-Risk and Implicit Value-at-Risk. As well as full quantitative analysis and backtesting of each methodology, the authors go on to propose a new style model for style and implicit Var, complete with analysis, real life examples and backtesting. The authors then go on to discuss annualisation issues and risk return before moving on to propose a new model based on the authors own Best Choice Implicit VaR approach, incorporating quantitative analysis, market results and backtesting and also its potential for new hedge fund clone products. This book is the only guide to VaR for Hedge Funds and will prove to be an invaluable resource as we embark into an era of increasing volatility and uncertainty.

Hedge Fund Analysis - Frank J. Travers 2012-10-02

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Recent Developments in Alternative Finance - Fredj Jawadi 2012-11-28

Since the global financial crisis began in 2008-2009, there has been a strong decline in financial markets

and investment. Alternative finance presents challenges intended to stimulate investment and promote economic growth and development. This volume aims to provide the reader an understanding of alternative finance in its various forms.

Hedge Fund Governance - Jason Scharfman 2014-10-22

Hedge Fund Governance: Evaluating Oversight, Independence and Conflicts summarizes the fundamental elements of hedge fund governance and principal perspectives on governance arguments. An authoritative reference on governance, it describes the tools needed for developing a flexible, comprehensive hedge fund governance analysis framework. Case studies and interviews with professional fund directors shine a bright light of pragmatism on this framework. The author's global analysis of more than 5,000 hedge fund governance structures enables him to draw realistic conclusions about best practices. He also explores the value consequences of good vs. bad governance, estimating the actual dollar losses that can result from bad governance, as well as the operational and investment performance benefits of certain governance practices. Presents methods for evaluating qualifications, conflicts of interests, fees, obligations and liabilities of hedge fund Boards of Directors. Explains techniques for developing a hedge fund governance assessment program, including analyzing legal documentation analysis and financial statements for governance related information. Uses case studies and example scenarios in hedge fund governance successes and failures to explore investor governance rights and fund manager responsibilities in onshore and offshore jurisdictions.

Guide to Investment Strategy - Peter Stanyer 2011-09-26

The first edition of The Economist Guide to Investment Strategy explained the fundamentals of investment risk, how to put together "keep-it-simple" investment strategies, and the need to guard against our own behavior leading to dreadful investment mistakes. The global crisis that erupted in 2008 exposed the flaws in many more complicated investment strategies. The second edition starts with a new section on financial fraud and how investors can help to protect themselves against this "heartly perennial." It also includes a new section on risk profiling and discusses the role of risk tolerance questionnaires. In Chapter 3 data are provided pointing to underperformance of equities between 1978 and 2008. Against this background, there is a new Chapter 4—"Which should we do: buy-and-hold or time markets?" Chapter 5, which discusses the design of short-term and long-term strategies, includes a new section—"How safe is cash?"—and the discussion of bond ladders is extended to reflect issues of bond selection in the light of corporate credit risk and the financial difficulties of some US municipal authorities. Part 2 has been updated extensively to reflect developments in the past four years and the impact of the financial crisis on credit instruments, hedge funds, private equity, and real estate. The book concludes with a new chapter on investing in art and collectibles. It explores the argument that art prices "float aimlessly," discusses financial investment in art, and provides some reasons for expecting that a portfolio of art might perform well in the future.

Advances in Financial Machine Learning - Marcos Lopez de Prado 2018-01-23

Machine learning (ML) is changing virtually every aspect of our lives. Today ML algorithms accomplish tasks that until recently only expert humans could perform. As it relates to finance, this is the most exciting time to adopt a disruptive technology that will transform how everyone invests for generations. Readers will learn how to structure Big data in a way that is amenable to ML algorithms; how to conduct research with ML algorithms on that data; how to use supercomputing methods; how to backtest your discoveries while avoiding false positives. The book addresses real-life problems faced by practitioners on a daily basis, and explains scientifically sound solutions using math, supported by code and examples. Readers become active users who can test the proposed solutions in their particular setting. Written by a recognized expert and portfolio manager, this book will equip investment professionals with the groundbreaking tools needed to succeed in modern finance.

Hedge Fund Alpha -

Advances in Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management (New Series) Vol 10 - Cheng F. Lee

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Hedge Funds - IMCA 2003-03-10

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