Chapter Capital Structure And Leverage

Inside the risk management and corporate governance issues behind capital structure decisions Practical ways of determining capital structures have always been mysterious and riddled with risks and uncertainties. Dynamic paradigm shifts and the multi-dimensional operations of firms further complicate the situation. Financial leaders are under constant pressure to outdo their competitors, but how to do so is not always clear. Capital Structure Decisions offers an introduction to corporate finance, and provides valuable insights into the decision-making processes that face the CEOs and CFOs of organizations in dynamic multi-objective environments. Exploring the various models and techniques used to understand the capital structure of an organization, as well as the products and means available for financing these structures, the book covers how to develop a goal programming model to enable organization leaders to make better capital structure decisions. Incorporating international case studies to explain various financial models and to illustrate ways that capital structure choices determine their success, Capital Structure Decisions looks at existing models and the development of a new goal-programming model for capital structures that is capable of handling multiple objectives, with an emphasis throughout on mitigating risk. Helps financial leaders understand corporate finance and the decision-making processes involved in understanding and developing capital structure Includes case studies from around the world that explain key financial models Emphasizes ways to minimize risk when it comes to working with capital

structures There are a number of criteria that financial leaders need to consider before making any major capital investment decision. Capital Structure Decisions analyzes the various risk management and corporate governance issues to be considered by any diligent CEO/CFO before approving a project.

The way in which leverage and its expected dynamics impact on firm valuation is very different from what is assumed by the traditional static capital structure framework. Recent work that allows the firm to restructure its debt over time proves to be able to explain much of the observed cross-sectional and time-series variation in leverage, while static capital structure predictions do not. The purpose of this book is to re-characterize the firm's valuation process within a dynamical capital structure environment, by drawing on a vast body of recent and more traditional theoretical insights and empirical findings on firm evaluation, also including asset pricing literature, offering a new setting in which practitioners and researchers are provided with new tools to anticipate changes in capital structure and setting prices for firm's debt and equity accordingly.

This book focuses on microeconomic foundations of capital structure theory. It combines theoretical results with a large number of examples, exercises and applications. The book examines fundamental ideas in capital structure management, some of which are still not very well understood in the business community, such as Modigliani and Miller's irrelevance result, trade-off theory, pecking-order theory, asset substitution, credit rationing and debt overhang. Chapters also cover capital structure issues that have become very important following the recent financial crisis. Miglo

discusses the ways in which financial economists were forced to look critically at capital structure, as the problems faced by many companies stemmed from their financing policies following the crisis. The book also discusses links between capital structure and firm's performance, corporate governance, firm's strategy and flexibility, and covers such topics as life cycle approach to capital structure management, capital structure of small and start-up companies, corporate financing versus project financing and examples of optimal capital structure analyses for different companies. This comprehensive guide to capital structure theory will be of interest to all students, academics and practitioners seeking to understand this fast-developing and critical area of business management.

Corporate finance is a complex field composed of a broad variety of sub-disciplines, each involving a specific skill set and nuanced body of knowledge. This text is designed to give you an intuitive understanding of the fundamentals to provide a solid foundation for more advanced study.

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Finance – Fundamental Problems and Solutions

Essays on Corporate Risk and Capital Structure

Credit Rating and the Impact on Capital Structure

Intermediate Financial Management

Financial Management Principles and Practice, second edition is fundamentally *designed to serve as an introduction to the study of Financial Management for students, Financial professionals, teachers and managers. The developments in the capital market and the new avenues available to tackle the traditional financial constraints have placed the present day finance manager in a situation to learn new skills and constantly update knowledge to take financial decision in a competitive environment, develop a familiarity with the analytical techniques and understand the theories of modern finance. Financial Management Principles and Practice is designed as a comprehensive and analytical treatise to fill the gaps. l The book seeks to build and develop familiarity with the analytical techniques in financial decision making in the competitive world. l This book covers the requirement for discussion to help Practitioners, managers, Financial professionals, academicians and students reason out Financial Management issues for themselves and thus be better prepared when making real-world investment decisions.l The book is structured in such a way that it can be used in both semester as well as trimester patterns of various MBA, M.Com, PGDM, PGP, PG Courses of all major universities, CA, CS, CFA, CWA, CPA of Professional and autonomous institutions.l It provides complete clarity in a simple style, which will help the students in easy understanding.l Discussion as well as mind stretching questions at the end of* *each chapter to stimulate financial decision making.l Concepts are explained with a number of illustrations and diagrams for clear understanding of subject matter. l The strong point of the book is its easy readability and clear explanation as well as extensive use of Case Study's and Project Works (more then 27 cases) which have been included in many chapters for Class discussion, EDP and FDP.DISTINCTIVE FEATURES OF THIS EDITION:v Provides complete clarity in a simple style v 628 Solved Problemsv 259 Unsolved Problemsv Seven new chapters included v 399 Review questions (theoretical questions)v 212 Fill in the blanks with answersv 101 True or false questions with answers v 26 case study's for class discussion v Discussion as well as mind stretching questions at the end of each chapter to stimulate financial decision making*

This dissertation, "Monetary Policy, R&D Investment, and Test of Corporate Capital Structure Theory" by Huili, Chang, {273c54}{273f2f}□, was obtained from The University of Hong Kong (Pokfulam, Hong Kong) and is being sold pursuant to Creative Commons: Attribution 3.0 Hong Kong License. The content of this dissertation has not been altered in any way. We have altered the formatting in order to facilitate the ease of printing and reading of the dissertation. All rights not granted by the above license are retained by the *author. Abstract: This dissertation consists of three chapters on monetary policy, R&D investment, and test of corporate capital structure theory. In the first chapter, I examine the impact of large-scale asset purchases (LSAPs) on corporate financing and investment. I find that LSAPs increased corporate financing and shifted the corporate financing pattern towards greater equity financing. Specifically, LSAPs enabled noninvestment-grade firms to issue more public equity and allowed investment-grade firms to issue more bonds. I find that LSAPs also affected the stock market through the portfolio balance channel. With the reversal of flight to quality, noninvestment-grade firms enjoyed significantly higher stock returns than investment-grade firms. After raising capital, public equity issuers used these proceeds to avoid bankruptcy, whereas debt issuers used the funds to expand their businesses. Therefore, unlike traditional monetary policy tools that affect bank lending, LSAPs stimulate the real economy by spurring the stock and bond markets and thereby providing firms with alternative sources of financing. In the second chapter, I attempt to differentiate demand-side reasons from supply-side reasons for firms with higher R&D investment to have a lower leverage. I use two identification events to test their different predictions, the introduction of state-level R&D tax credits and the grant of patents. Because state R&D tax* *credits increase R&D investment by firms headquartered in the state, I use their introduction to examine whether supply-side frictions affect corporate financing choices to finance R&D investment. I find that constrained firms issue more equity and have a lower leverage after their introduction, whereas unconstrained firms do not, which suggests that supply-side frictions force firms to issue equity to fund innovation. Because patents can partially relieve credit constraints, I use the grant of patents to analyze whether firms change their leverage after credit constraints are lessened. I find that firms increase their leverage after the grant of patents, which again indicates that supply-side frictions are dominant in shaping corporate leverage. Therefore, the negative relationship between R&D investment and corporate leverage is primarily due to supply-side frictions. In the third chapter, I point out that prior tests of the pecking order theory fail to consider whether firms have access to the debt market or not, and argue that small and high-growth firms' tendency to issue equity reflects no access to the debt market rather than rejects the pecking order. I adopt financial constraints as proxy for firms' access to the debt market, and empirically demonstrate that once financial constraints are controlled for, the pecking order provides a better description of firms' financing behaviors. To address the endogeneity problem, I use an exogenous* *event, firms' addition into the S&P 500 index. Consistent with my prediction, firms are more likely to issue debt after the addition. Finally, I show that financial constraints are different from the alternative explanation of debt capacity constraints. Subjects: Corporations - Finance*

As indicated by the title, this book focuses on fundamental problems in finance: a logical dilemma in valuation, stock valuation methods/models, risk valuation, and optimal capital structure. It presents an innovative approach to logic and quantitative reasoning (without advanced mathematics) that delivers valuable results ---- convincing solutions to these problems. Readers in finance will definitely be interested in these solutions as well as the methods. In fact, these fundamental problems are essential in the field of finance, and they have remained unsolved (or partly unsolved) for decades. The solutions offered in this book are all sound in theory and feasible in practice, and will hopefully benefit both theoretic al research and practical decision-making.

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Empirical Corporate Finance

Essays on Reverse Leveraged Buyouts

Corporate Finance

Financial Management: Principles and Applications

Schaum's Outline of Financial Management, Third Edition

A comprehensive guide to making better capital structure and corporate financing decisions in today's dynamic business environment Given the dramatic changes that have recently occurred in the economy, the topic of capital structure and corporate financing decisions is critically important. The fact is that firms need to constantly revisit their portfolio of debt, equity, and hybrid securities to finance assets, operations, and future growth. Capital Structure and Corporate Financing Decisions provides an in-depth examination of critical capital structure topics, including discussions of basic capital structure components, key theories and practices, and practical application in an increasingly complex corporate world. Throughout, the book emphasizes how a sound capital structure simultaneously minimizes the firm's cost of capital and maximizes the value to shareholders. Offers a strategic focus that allows you to understand how financing decisions relates to a firm's overall corporate policy Consists of contributed chapters from both academics and experienced professionals, offering a variety of perspectives and a rich interplay of ideas Contains information from survey research describing actual financial practices of firms This valuable resource takes a practical approach to capital structure by discussing why various theories make sense and how firms use them to solve problems and create wealth. In the wake of the recent financial crisis, the insights found here are essential to excelling in today's volatile business environment.

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This dissertation studies target capital structure, transitory debt and corporate governance applications in private equity firms portfolio companies by utilizing a unique sample of reverse leveraged buyouts (reverse LBOs). In chapter 1, I investigate target capital structure and transitory debt. I show that firms follow target capital structures and they quickly reduce their debt ratios to levels near target ratios at the time of the reverse LBO. A minority of firms in the sample increase debt significantly after the reverse LBO. In accordance with the transitory debt hypothesis, these firms value the option to borrow and decrease their debt levels accordingly so that they can preserve the option to borrow for future. When the firms have valuable investment options, they once again issue transitory debt deliberately but temporarily, they move away from their target leverage ratios, use the proceeds from the issue mainly for investment purposes, and they revert back to the target leverage levels gradually. In chapter 2, I investigate the corporate governance structures employed by private equity firms in their portfolio companies. I show that, compared to the control firms, RLBO firms prefer to be incorporated in Delaware and have unitary boards, have younger board members with shorter tenures, have more financial experts on their boards, have CEOs with shorter tenures, prefer busy board members and busy boards. They also have smaller number of members on their boards, compared to previous findings from earlier decades. In addition, the majority of board members are effectively monitoring directors and the majority of board members on various committees of the boards are independent directors. In addition, firms are associated with high ownership by blockholders, high total managerial ownership, and low CEO ownership. Lastly, the evidence suggests that top executives and CEOs of RLBO firms do not receive significantly higher levels of compensation compared to control firms. Also, RLBO firms usually prefer to pay a higher fraction of total compensation in form of bonuses, and less in the form of stock option grants.

The Impact of Capital Structure and Financial Media on Mergers & Acquisitions

Capital Structure and Corporate Financing Decisions
Principles of Managerial Finance
Capital Structure Decisions
Strategy, Asset Specificity and Capital Structure

The research reported in this volume represents the second stage of a wide-ranging National Bureau of Economic Research effort to investigate "The Changing Role of Debt and Equity in Financing U.S. Capital Formation." The first group of studies sponsored under this project, which have been published individually and summarized in a 1982 volume bearing the same title (Friedman 1982), addressed several key issues relevant to corporate sector behavior along with such other aspects of the evolving financial underpinnings of U.S. capital formation as household saving incentives, international capital flows, and government debt management. In the project's second series of studies, presented at the National Bureau of Economic Research conference in January 1983 and published here for the first time along with commentaries from that conference, the central focus is the financial side of capital formation undertaken by the U.S. corporate business sector. At the same time, because corporations' securities must be held, a parallel focus is on the behavior of the markets that price these claims.

This Study Guide to accompany Foundations of Finance: The Logic and Practice of Finance Management, 5th Edition, was written by the authors with the objective of providing a student-oriented supplement to the text. Each chapter of the Study Guide contains: *an orientation of each chapter along with a chapter outline of key topics *problems (with detailed solutions) and self tests which can be used to aid in the preparation of ouside assignments and in studying for exams *a tutorial on capital budgeting *a set of tables that not only give compound sum and present value interest factors, but also show how to compute the interest using a financial calculator

This thesis aims to add empirical evidence to the corporate finance literature by looking at the financing decisions with a specific application to small companies in the context of the UK relatively highly regulated Main market, versus the lightly regulated Alternative Investment Market (AIM). I do this by gathering data on all quoted dead and alive companies in both markets from 1995 to 2008. I then split my sample firms in each market into different size groups and test my hypothesis within and across each group and each market. The thesis consists of six chapters. After an introductory chapter, I review the existing literature on capital structure and debt maturity controversies with an emphasis on recent empirical work. The next three chapters consist of three research papers. The first paper looks at the capital structure decisions of companies quoted in AIM and Main market across different size groups. In the second research paper, the maturity structure of debt is investigated in both markets. The third research paper tests the determinants of the delisting decision, particularly the effect of leverage using a sample of AIM companies. In the last chapter, I provide a summary of the main conclusions of the study and highlight some promising ideas for future research. The first empirical chapter analyses the drivers of leverage across firms' sizes and market of quotation. I find that companies that are listed on the Main market have higher leverage than those listed on AIM. My results show that AIM companies are subject to higher business risk and tend to have lower profitability and tangible assets. In addition, in both markets, small companies are different from large firms in their level of leverage, tangibility of assets, and profitability, suggesting that the drivers of the financing choice are size dependent. Interestingly, the impact of taxation is limited to only large companies in both markets. Similarly, the impact of the agency conflict is also limited to large companies, as for small firms I find a positive relationship between leverage and growth opportunities, in contrast to the predictions of the agency theory. These results suggest that size rather than market of quotation is more likely to explain firms' leverage. However, I find that the market of quotation affects their speed of adjustment toward target leverage ratios. Using the dynamic model of capital structure, I find that in the Main market, small companies adjust more rapidly than large firms, suggesting that they rely more on bank debt and thus result in lower costs of adjustment. In contrast, large firms on the AIM adjust more rapidly than small companies, suggesting that small AIM companies are subject to the highest costs of adjustment as they have the highest business risk and the lowest profitability. The second empirical paper investigates the determinants of the structure of debt maturity across firms' size groups in both markets. I find that firms quoted in the Main market use longer maturity of debt in contrast to their AIM counterparts. However, the structure of debt maturity is different between small and large companies, as small companies use shorter debt maturity. Moreover, I find that the determinants of debt maturity are relatively different across the two sets of markets, suggesting that the market of quotation, are likely to affect the structure of debt maturity. Particularly, the effect of leverage is mixed in those markets. In the Main market, companies with higher leverage use more long-term debt in contrast to those quoted in the AIM. In line with my results in the previous chapter, I find that the speed of adjustment depends on the market of quotation. Using a dynamic framework, I find that companies have a target debt maturity, but, while in the AIM large companies adjust more rapidly than small companies, I find the opposite in the Main market. I also contribute to the literature by assessing the impact of firm's life cycle on its choice of debt maturity. I use a sample of newly listed firms and assess the evolution of the maturity structure of their debt four years after their IPO. I find strong differences across the two markets. In the Main market, my empirical evidence shows that in contrast with small companies, large companies change the structure of their debt maturity significantly as they are more likely to use longer maturity of debt in the post-IPO period. While in the AIM, the structure of debt maturity is not affected by size as neither large companies nor small companies change their debt maturity significantly. In the last empirical chapter, I study the impact of leverage on the delisting decision. I address the following questions: Do firms delist from the stock market because they are unable to raise equity capital and redress their balance sheet? Previous studies state that raising equity capital is one of the main benefits of stock market quotation. I expect firms that are not likely to take advantage of this benefit to have higher listing costs and more likely to delist. I use leverage as a proxy variable and a sample of voluntary delisting from AIM. I find that delisted companies have higher leverage as they did not raise equity capital over their public life. My results suggest that companies with higher leverage are more likely to delist voluntarily. These results hold even after controlling for agency conflicts, liquidity, and asymmetric information. I also investigate how the market reacts to the delisting announcement. I find that on the announcement date, stock prices decrease significantly. However, this reaction is not consistent with previous studies that report positive excess returns for companies that go private through different forms of buyouts. The voluntary delisting does not deliver good news to the market and hence voluntary delisting leads to a decrease in stock prices. I also find that firms that increased their leverage in the year prior to the delisting decision generate significantly lower excess returns than other firms. I compare my results to firms that delisted from the AIM but moved to the Main market. I find that that these firms generate statistically higher and positive returns than the remaining firms that delisted voluntarily. My results highlight the negative impact of leverage and a lack of equity financing on firms' market valuation. My results contribute to the literature and to policy making in several ways. First, I test various controversial and new hypotheses by focussing on differences in institutional settings between the AIM and the Main market. The former is less regulated and it is more likely to attract younger, high growth, and riskier companies. These differences allow me to test various hypotheses developed in previous literature relating to the financing choices of firms. In addition, I provide a deeper analysis of the impact of size on the firms' financing choices. I focus on the differences in leverages across the two, markets, changes in maturity from the IPQ dates, and the drivers of the decision and timing from the IPQ date of companies in the UK. Unlike previous studies, I show that the theoretical determinants of leverage, such as taxation and agency costs, across firms' size groups are not homogeneous, independently of the market quotation. However, I find significant differences across the two markets in terms of dynamic changes in leverage. In addition, my results highlight the impact of leverage on the decision to delist, and imply that policy makers need to facilitate the financing of companies when they list on the market, so that the benefits of

listings outweigh the costs, and firms will not rush to voluntary delisting.
Both theory and practice seem to agree that firms adjust their capital structure to stay in close proximity to a target leverage ratio. However, this target leverage ratio is not accounted for as a determinant of leverage in existing empirical work. In the first chapter, I calculate the deviation of actual leverage from target leverage and use it as a determinant of firm ’ s leverage along with a set of other control variables that are traditionally used in the literature. I find that the addition of deviations from target leverage more than doubles the explanatory power compared to existing empirical specifications. Using standardized regression coefficients I show that the deviation from target leverage ratios is the most important determinant of firms ’ capital structure. In the second chapter, I study firms ’ credit ratings. Capital structure choice as measured by firms ’ leverage ratio is an essential parameter in rating models. The endogeneity of firms ’ leverage in rating estimation has recently come to consideration but has not received the attention it should have. My study shows that the corrected impact of leverage is about ten times more than the other determinants. In the final chapter, I study the endogeneity of leverage-rating relation. I estimate leverage-rating relation simultaneously using three-stage least squares. I find that change in rating is the most important factor for change in leverage (two to five times more than the control variables) and vice versa change in leverage is the most important factor for change in rating (three to nine times more than the control variables).
Practical Financial Management
Capital Structure in the Modern World

Strategies, Capital Structure, and M&A Transactions
Advanced Introduction to Corporate Finance
Determinants of Firms' Capital Structure Choice, Their Credit Ratings and the Leverage-rating Relation

Capital structure theory is one of the most dynamic areas of finance and forms the basis for modern thinking on the capital structure of firms. Much controversy has resulted from comparisons of the theory of capital structure originally developed by Franco Modigliani and Merton Miller to real-world situations. Two competing theories have emerged over the years, the optimal capital structure theory and the pecking order theory.Arvin Ghosh begins with an overview of the controversies regarding capital structure theories, and then statistically tests both the optimal capital structure and pecking order theories. Using the binomial approach he analyzes the determinants of capital structure while discussing the role of market power in determining capital structure decisions. Ghosh probes the questions of new stock offerings and stockholders' returns, and analyzes capital structure and executive compensation. He then looks into debt financing ownership structure, and the controversal relationship between capital structure and firm profitability. Finally, he discusses the latest developments in the field of capital structure.A concise overview of a major issue in business

economics and finance, this volume provides a fuller understanding of capital structure influence on the financial performance of firms, and will certainly stimulate further debate. While hundreds of scholarly articles have been written on the subject this is the first book to test competing theories against measurements of firms' performance and their underlying capital structure.

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from different topics • [Latest Question Papers] Questions that appeared in the Latest Question Paper of Delhi University have been incorporated at appropriate places • [New Chapter on Capital Budgeting: Techniques of Evaluation] has the following features: o Basic principles of calculation of Cash Flows for capital budgeting proposals have been summarised for quick reference o A new section to deal with the Analysis of Risk in Capital Budgeting proposals has been introduced o Discussions on the Modified Internal Rate of Return have been inserted. • The structure of this book is as follows: o Synopsis (Chapter Plan) o Main Body (Contents) o Points to Remember o Graded Illustrations o Object Type Questions (True/False) o Multiple Choice Questions o Theoretical Assignments o Problems (Unsolved Questions with Answers) Contents of this book are as follows: • Background o Introduction to financial management, finance function and financial decision-making have been explained in Part I. The basic concepts of Risk-Return trade-off and the Time Value of Money have also been explained in detail in Part I, comprising of Chapters 1 and 2 • Long-Term Investment Decisions: Capital Budgeting o Part II of the book deals with long-term investment decisions, i.e. the capital budgeting process. Chapter 3 explains the significance and process of capital budgeting. The different techniques of evaluation of capital budgeting proposals have been discussed in Chapter 4. • Financing Decision o The Financing Decision deals with the leverage and the formation of the

capital structure of any firm, and it has been discussed in detail in Part III. The cost of capital, an important concept for capital budgeting and financing decisions, has been taken up in Chapter 5. Chapters 6 and 7 deal with the Leverage Analysis and EBIT-EPS Analysis. Different theories on the relationship between the leverage, cost of capital and value of the firm have been taken up in Chapter 8. The theoretical considerations for planning the capital structure have been summarised in Chapter 9 of the book. • Divided Decision o Part IV (Chapters 10 & 11) deals with another important area of decision making, i.e. the Dividend Decision. Besides giving an analytical overview of different models on the relationship between dividend decisions and the value of the firm, an attempt has also been made to give the determinants of dividend policy for any firm. • Management of Current Assets o Part V deals with the management of current assets (total as well as individual). Chapter 12 deals with the planning and management of total working capital and discusses the basic trade-off between liquidity and profitability. The estimation of total working capital requirement has been taken up in Chapter 13. The management of individual elements of working capital, i.e. the Cash, Receivables and Inventory, has been taken up in Chapters 14, 15 and 16, respectively, of the book. • Valuation o Valuation of Securities has been discussed in Chapter 17 in Part VI of the book • Appendices o Financial Decision Making with Excel o Past Year Question Papers with Suggested

Answers to Practical Questions o Mathematical Tables
Judging by the sheer number of papers reviewed in this Handbook, the empirical analysis of firms' financing and investment decisions—empirical corporate finance—has become a dominant field in financial economics. The growing interest in everything "corporate is fueled by a healthy combination of fundamental theoretical developments and recent widespread access to large transactional data bases. A less scientific—but nevertheless important—source of inspiration is a growing awareness of the important social implications of corporate behavior and governance. This Handbook takes stock of the main empirical findings to date across an unprecedented spectrum of corporate finance issues, ranging from econometric methodology, to raising capital and capital structure choice, and to managerial incentives and corporate investment behavior. The surveys are written by leading empirical researchers that remain active in their respective areas of interest. With few exceptions, the writing style makes the chapters accessible to industry practitioners. For doctoral students and seasoned academics, the surveys offer dense roadmaps into the empirical research landscape and provide suggestions for future work. *The Handbooks in Finance series offers a broad group of outstanding volumes in various areas of finance *Each individual volume in the series should present an accurate self-contained survey of a sub-field of finance *The series is international in scope with contributions

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Handbook of Corporate Finance
Financial Management
A Case Studies Approach to Financial Tools, Financial Policies, and Valuation
Dynamical Corporate Finance
Leverage and Debt Maturity

This Advanced Introduction presents the modern theories of corporate finance. Its focus on core concepts offers useful managerial insights, bolstered by recent empirical evidence, to provide a richer understanding of critical corporate financial policy decisions.

"This dissertation consists of two essays and five chapters. The first essay in chapter two addresses the zero-leverage puzzle, the observation that many firms do not issue debt and thus seem to forego sizable debt benefits. Based on the trade-off theory, a firm financed with debt saves on taxes, while it faces the debt costs associated with financial distress. Firms issue debt and net a positive gain by trading off costs and benefits. However, zero-levered firms seemingly ignore significant tax advantages associated with debt financing. I propose that this behavior is due to the value in waiting to issue debt and postponing debt costs. By considering

the real option of issuing debt, small and risky firms have incentives to postpone debt issuance, even when standard trade-off theory predicts that these firms should have leverage. Thus, the value of debt-free firms should include an option component whose value is derived from future debt issuance benefits. I present a simple model for a firm's optimal issuance with optimal leverage and default, and find the factors that increase the propensity to remain zero-levered: high volatility, high debt costs, low tax levels, low payout rate, and small size. I verify the factors empirically on a sample of zero-leverage (ZL) firms by estimating a survival and a choice model and an out-of-sample test on levered firms.The second essay in chapter three provides an explanation for the underleverage puzzle by relating it to volatility risk premia. As a stylized fact, many firms have lower leverage compared to what the trade-off theory predicts, in particular based on their low asset volatility. In addition, the underleverage is the highest for Investment-Grade (IG) firms. Without volatility risk, the essay empirically documents that underleverage across firms increases with volatility risk premium at the asset level. The result is the motive to present two models with stochastic asset volatility that feature optimal capital structure. With priced asset volatility risk, the models in standard trade-off settings show

that a higher premium implies lower leverage; the assets' Variance Risk Premia (VRP) reduce tax benefits and increase debt costs. Empirically, the models' calibration leaves no significant underleverage patterns in the cross-section of the firms. Thus, seemingly underleveraged firms have high asset volatility risk premia relative to their low physical asset volatility, which explains their apparent underleverage. In particular, the largest proportion of the volatility is systematic for IG firms; and, consequently, VRP are the highest. This in turn leads to a lower implied leverage, close to the IG firms' empirical leverage.Chapter four reviews the literature related to the earlier chapters. Chapter five concludes with the main findings and provides venues for the future research." --

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Hypotheses (CRCS) developed by Darren J. Kisgen as a modern approach to the capital structure discussion. The hypothesis argues that credit ratings have an impact on capital struc-ture decisions due to discrete costs (benefits) associated with a rating change. Firstly, reasons why credit ratings are material for capital structure decisions will be out-lined. Then, situations in which credit rating effects play a role will be examined. For this issue it is very important to show how it can be measured whether a firm is con-cerned about a rating change or not. Afterwards the CR-CS will be empirically tested. The traditional theories don't explain the results obtained in these tests. Therefore credit rating effects will be combined with factors discussed in the Tradeoff- and Pecking-Order-Theory. In subsequent empirical tests credit rating factors will be integrated into previous capital structure test to show that the results of the CR-CS tests remain statistically significant...

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This thesis explores the impact of capital structure and financial media on Mergers and Acquisitions. The empirical evidence on this thesis demonstrates that firm's capital structure and financial media are both significantly related to the M&A success and M&A performances. Chapter 3 empirically investigates the interaction between a bidder's capital structure and the probability of M&A success. It suggests that bidders with great leverage deficit are less likely to be successful in M&A. The potential explanation is that overleveraged bidders are unable to provide attractive takeover offers with high premiums and thus reducing the probability of success. Chapter 4 further studies the implications of capital structure theory for M&A. The empirical evidence shows that bidder's leverage deficit is negatively related to the probability of using pure cash payment. This implies that firms may actively rebalance their financial leverage to optimal level through M&A. Overleveraged bidders are less likely to use cash payment since they are willing to reduce their deficit level by acquiring targets with equity. By contrast, underleveraged bidders have more incentive to use cash payment because they tend to increase their debt level. Chapter 4 also shows that bidder's capital structure has large impact on the merging firms' stock performances in both short term and long term. Therefore bidder's capital structure is considered as an important determinant for M&A performance. In addition, Chapter 5 further examines the relation between M&A performance and financial media. It reports that bidders with positive media attitude in pre-merger period are significantly outperformance than those with negative media attitude. It concludes that the pre-merger news released by influential financial media has large impact on market reactions to M&A announcements. Furthermore, the empirical evidence suggests that financial media is able to partially predict merging firm's long term stock performance. Overall, our research in this thesis contributes to the literature with conclusive evidence that the considerations of capital structure and financial media provide further understandings with M&A performances.

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Lessons in Corporate Finance

Capital Structure and Firm Performance

In 1958 an academic paper on corporate finance written by two professors (Merton Miller and Frances Modigliani, who were later awarded the Nobel prize for their research efforts) was published in The American Economic Review. One prime conclusion of their paper was that the exact form of a firm's capital structure did not affect the firm's value. Later papers by the same two authors and by many others modified the assumptions and changed this conclusion. We now think that capital structure decisions do affect a firm's value and corporate managers should understand better the financing alternatives that are available. One of the most important financial decisions is the decision to buy or lease assets. The leasing industry is large and getting larger. Unfortunately, it is very easy for a firm to evaluate incorrectly lease alternatives (see Chapter 12). The capital structure decision is one of the three most important financial decisions that management make (the distribution of earnings and the capital budgeting decisions are the other two contenders). Managers should increase their understanding of capital structure alternatives and remember that choosing the best capital structure is an art and not an exact simple calculation. But applying the art can be improved with understanding.

Chapter 1 of this thesis uses a more robust market timing measure to test the relation between market timing and capital structure. A persistent impact of

market timing on leverage is found. Moreover, the market timing measure is not a proxy for other firm characteristics, such as growth opportunities. This chapter also shows that equity issues at the IPO affect capital structure persistently, but equity issues in hot markets do not significantly reduce leverage more than those in cold markets. Though these results seem inconsistent with the static trade-off theory, we have to be cautious in rejecting the theory because the underlying capital structure will change after a firm goes public. Therefore, the firm may not need to rebalance away the effect of market timing IPO issues. To circumvent the bias against the trade-off theory when examining the IPO firms, chapter 2 studies capital structure adjustment mechanisms of firms that experience substantial changes in leverage. Adjustments appear to be asymmetric among firms with large increases and those with large decreases in debt ratios. The different adjustments are not due to differences in leverage targets or industry distributions between the samples. Speeds of adjustment are found to be affected by market timing opportunities. The persistence of equity market timing opportunities slows some firms' rebalancing process. Chapter 3 examines the relation between dividend smoothing and information asymmetry. Both the amount of the dividend payment and the extent of dividend smoothing are found to be negatively related to standard measures of information asymmetry. Firms with higher levels of asymmetric information are associated

with lower dividend payments and also have a higher propensity to smooth their dividends. These results imply that a firm's information environment affects its dividend policy as indicated by Miller and Modigliani (1961).

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