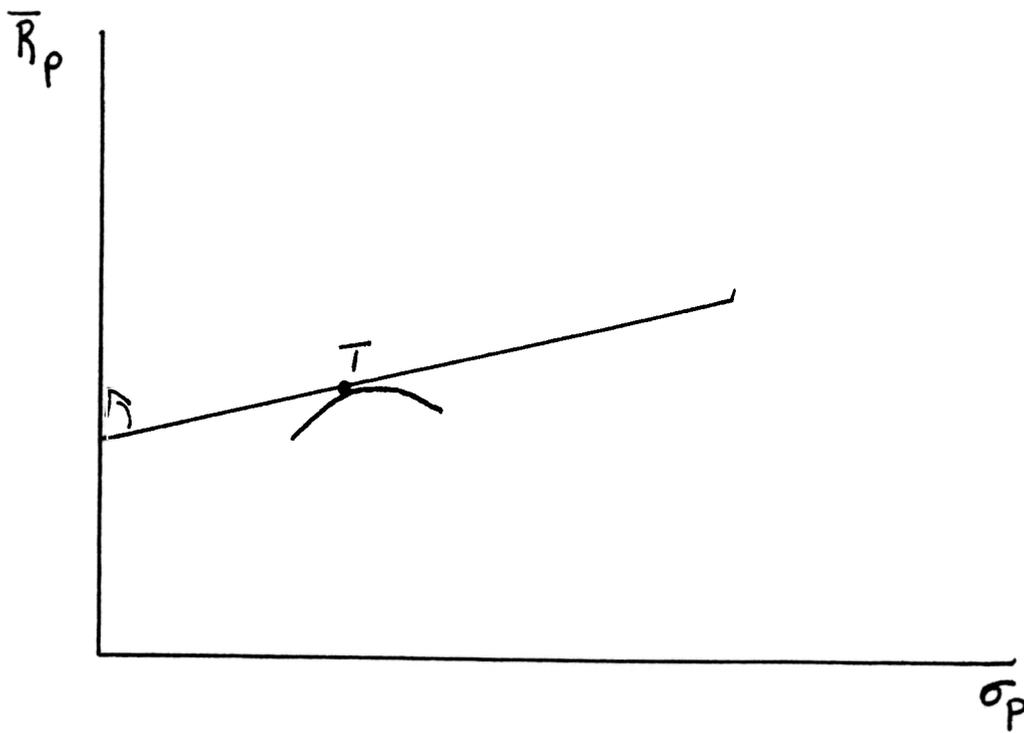


SOLVING FOR THE EFFICIENT FRONTIER



Recall T is point on the efficient frontier in most counter-clockwise directions. Equation of line Tangent at T is:

$$\bar{R}_i = R_F + \frac{\bar{R}_T - R_F}{\sigma_T} \sigma_i$$

Moving in most counter-clockwise directions is equivalent to maximizing slope. Thus, the objective is to find portfolio where:

$$\theta = \frac{\bar{R}_T - R_F}{\sigma_T}$$

is maximum.

$$\Theta = \frac{\sum_i X_i \bar{R}_i - 1R_F}{\left[\sum_i X_i^2 s_i^2 + \sum_i \sum_j X_i X_j s_{ij} \right]^{1/2}}$$

Subject to $\sum_i X_i = 1$

$$\Theta = \frac{\sum_i X_i \bar{R}_i - \left[\sum_i X_i \right] R_F}{\left[\sum_i X_i^2 s_i^2 + \sum_i \sum_j X_i X_j s_{ij} \right]^{1/2}}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_i X_i \left(\bar{R}_i - R_F \right)}{\left[\sum_i X_i^2 s_i^2 + \sum_i \sum_j X_i X_j s_{ij} \right]^{1/2}}$$

Θ can be written as:

$$\Theta = \left(\bar{R}_T - R_F \right) \left(s^2 \right)^{-1/2}$$

recall how to take a derivative using the chain rule
namely:

$$d\Theta = f(X, Y) = XdY + YdX$$

and that

$$dX^N = NX^{N-1}$$

thus

$$\frac{d\Theta}{dX_k} = \left(\bar{R}_T - R_F \right) \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(s^2 \right)^{-3/2} \frac{ds^2}{dX_k} + \frac{d \left[\bar{R}_T - R_F \right] \left(s^2 \right)^{-1/2}}{dX_k}$$

or

$$\frac{d\Theta}{dX_k} = \left(\bar{R}_T - R_F \right) \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(s^2 \right)^{-3/2} \left[2X_k s^2 + 2 \sum_{k \neq i} X_k s_{ik} \right] + \left(\bar{R}_T - R_F \right) \left(s^2 \right)^{-1/2}$$

$$\frac{d\Theta}{dX_k} = -\frac{\bar{R}_T - R_F}{s^2} \left[X_k s_k^2 + \sum_{k \neq i} X_k s_{ik} \right] + (\bar{R}_k - R_F)$$

$$(\bar{R}_k - R_F) = I \left[X_k s_k^2 + \sum_{k \neq i} X_k s_{ik} \right]$$

where:

$$I = \frac{\bar{R}_T - R_F}{s^2}$$

First order conditions

$$\bar{R}_k - R_F = I \left[X_1 s_{1k} + X_2 s_{2k} + \dots + X_k s_k^2 + \dots + X_N s_{Nk} \right]$$

for all i

where
$$I = \frac{\bar{R}_T - R_F}{s_T^2}$$

define $Z_i = I X_i$ then

$$\bar{R}_k - R_F = Z_1 s_{1k} + Z_2 s_{2k} + \dots + Z_k s_k^2 + \dots + Z_N s_{Nk} \quad \text{all } k$$

Example 3 securities:

$$\bar{R}_1 - R_F = Z_1 s_{11}^2 + Z_2 s_{21} + Z_3 s_{31}$$

$$\bar{R}_2 - R_F = Z_1 s_{21} + Z_2 s_{22}^2 + Z_3 s_{32}$$

$$\bar{R}_3 - R_F = Z_1 s_{31} + Z_2 s_{23} + Z_3 s_{33}^2$$

X's are
$$X_i = \frac{Z_i}{\sum_j Z_j}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{R}} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{R}_1 \\ \bar{R}_2 \\ \bar{R}_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} s_{11}^2 & s_{12} & s_{13} \\ s_{12} & s_{22}^2 & s_{23} \\ s_{13} & s_{23} & s_{33}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{Z} = \begin{pmatrix} Z_1 \\ Z_2 \\ Z_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{R}} - \mathbf{R}_F \mathbf{1} = \Sigma \mathbf{Z}$$

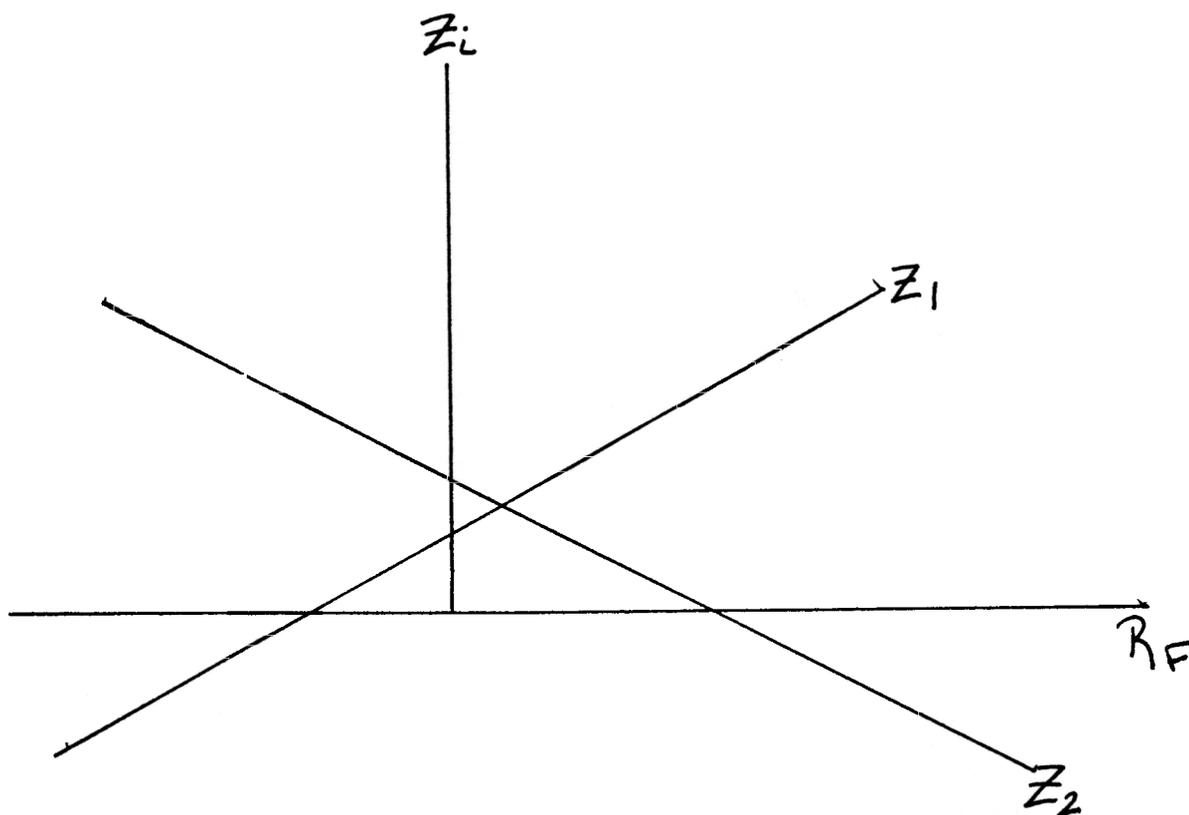
and

$$\mathbf{Z} = \Sigma^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{R}} - \mathbf{R}_F \mathbf{1})$$

Typical Element

$$Z_i = C_0 + C_1 R_F$$

Thus



Short Sales Not Allowed

Minimize S^2

Subject to:

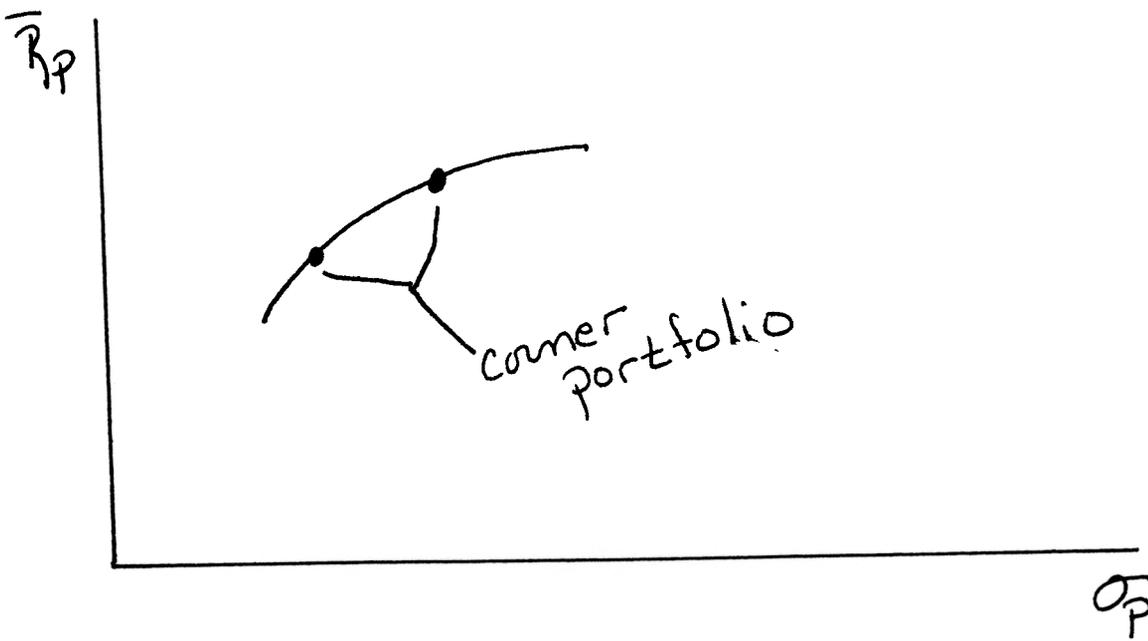
1. $\sum X_i = 1$

2. $\sum X_i \bar{R}_i = \bar{R}_p$

3. $\sum X_i \geq 0$

Quadratic Programming Problem

Since have squared and cross product terms.



Between corner portfolio the portfolio consists of linear combination of corner. At corner securities enter or leave portfolio.