

Forward Looking Premiums: A Repeat

Assume that you were looking at an investment, where you were guaranteed a cash flow of \$ 1 (with certainty) every year in perpetuity.
How much would you pay for this investment right now?

Now assume that you were looking at an investment, where you expect to generate a cash flow of \$ 1, with about the same uncertainty as you would face on an average risk stock, in perpetuity. How much would you pay for this investment?

Age and Risk Aversion

Studies of risk aversion find that as people age, they become more risk averse. If that is true, would someone older than you pay more or less for this investment?

There are some parts of the world that are aging (Japan, Europe, even China). As investors age, what should happen to risk premiums in these markets?

Crisis and Risk Premiums

Now assume that an unexpected crisis (economic, political, pandemic) hits the economy. As an investor, would you pay less or more for the same investment (that I offered you)?

■ What does that imply for risk premiums?