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# Quantitative Methods

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# SESSION 1

## 1. The Time Value of Money

## 2. Organizing, Visualizing, and Describing Data

## 3. Probability Concepts

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## The Time Value of Money

### Interest rate

→ Interpretation

→ Components

→ **Conversion**

### TVM problem

→ **PV/FV**

→ Discount rate(I/Y)

→ Number of periods (N)

→ Size of payment (PMT)

# Interest Rate

## Interest rate conversion

- Simple interest vs. Compounding interest
- Stated rate ( $r_s$ ) vs. Effective annual rate (EAR)

$$\text{EAR} = (1 + \text{Periodic interest rate})^m - 1 = \left(1 + \frac{r_s}{m}\right)^m - 1$$

- ✓ For continuous compounding:

$$\text{EAR} = e^{r_s} - 1$$

- Two conclusions:
  - ✓ EAR is maximized for continuous compounding.
  - ✓ EAR increases as  $m$  increases at a decreasing rate.



## Practice 1

If the stated annual interest rate is 9% and the frequency of compounding is daily, the effective annual rate (EAR) is closest to:

- A. 9.42%.
- B. 9.86%.
- C. 9.00%.

**Answer: A**

$$\text{EAR} = \left(1 + \frac{9\%}{365}\right)^{365} - 1 = 9.42\%.$$

## Practice 2

A financial contract offers to pay €1,200 per month for five years with the first payment made immediately. Assuming an annual discount rate of 6.5%, compounded monthly the present value of the contract is closest to:

- A. €61,663.
- B. €63,731.
- C. €61,330.

## Practice 2

Answer: A

Using a financial calculator:

$N = 5 * 12 = 60$ ;  $I/Y = 6.5/12 = 0.54166667$ ;  $PMT = 1,200$ ;  $FV = 0$ ;

CPT:  $PV = -61,662.62$  (Mode = BGN).

Pay attention to the sign and direction of cash flows.



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## Organizing, Visualizing, and Describing Data

### Organizing, and Visualizing Data

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### Describing Data

Central tendency

Dispersion

Skewness

Kurtosis

Covariance and  
Correlation

# Organizing, and Visualizing Data

## Types of data

- Numerical data (**quantitative data**)
  - ✓ Continuous data & Discrete data
- Categorical data (**qualitative data**)
  - ✓ Nominal data & Ordinal data
- Cross-sectional data
- Time-series data
- Panel data
- Structured data
- Unstructured data

# Organizing, and Visualizing Data

## Presentation of data

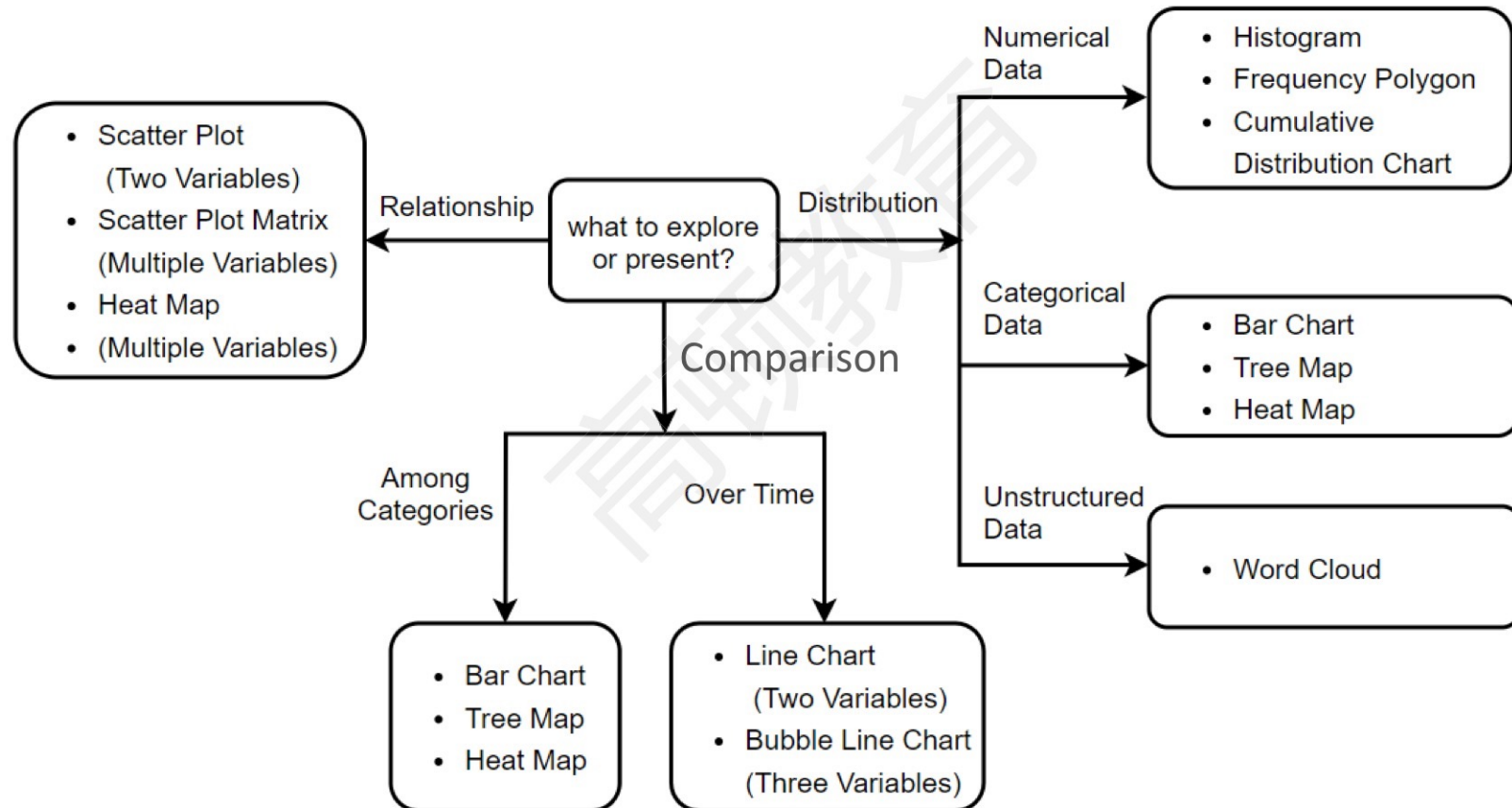
- Data arrays
- Frequency distribution
- Contingency table

## Visualizing of data

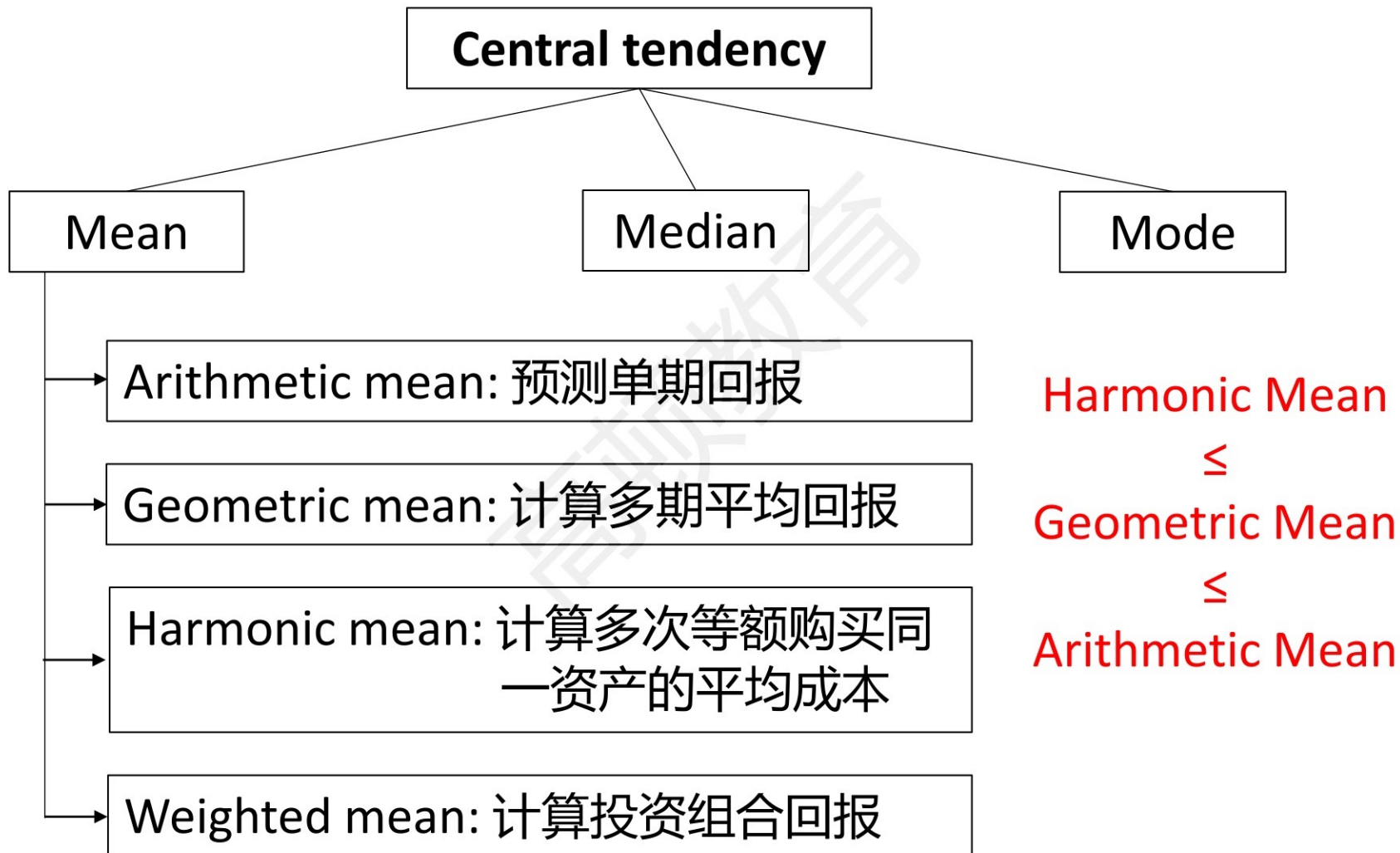
- Histogram and Frequency Polygon
- Bar chart & Tree Map & Word cloud
- Line chart & Scatter plot & Heat map

# Organizing, and Visualizing Data

## Select a visualization type

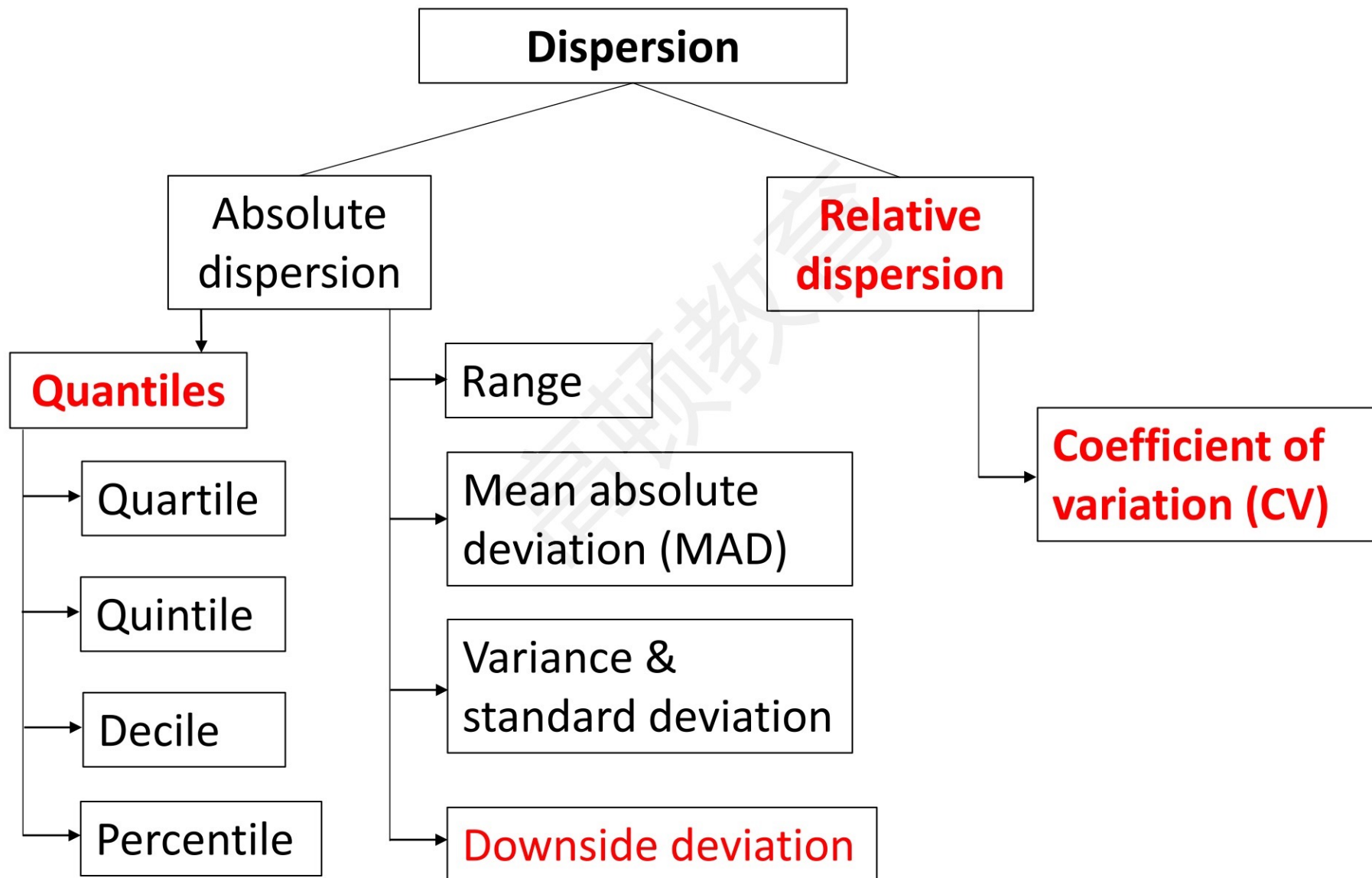


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## Quantiles

➤ Formula for **location** of data in ascending order:

$$L_y = (n + 1) \frac{y}{100}$$

Where:  $n$  = the number of data;

$y$  = the  $y^{\text{th}}$  percentile.

# Describing Data

## Downside deviation

- **Target semideviation** is a measure of dispersion of the observations **below the target**.
  - ✓ A measure of downside risk.
- **Sample Target Semideviation**

$$S_{\text{Target}} = \sqrt{\sum_{\text{for all } X_i \leq B}^n \frac{(X_i - B)^2}{n - 1}}$$

## Describing Data

### Coefficient of variation (CV)

- $CV = \frac{S}{\bar{X}}$ , a measure of risk per unit of mean return, thus **the lower the better.**

**Advantage:** no units of measurement, so permits direct comparisons of dispersions across different data sets.

# Describing Data

## Skewness ( $S_k$ )

- $S_k = 0 \rightarrow$  symmetrical distribution.
  - ✓ Mean = median = mode
- $S_k > 0 \rightarrow$  positively (right) skewed distribution.
  - ✓ Mean > median > mode
  - ✓ Fatter/longer right tail
- $S_k < 0 \rightarrow$  negatively (left) skewed distribution.
  - ✓ Mean < median < mode
  - ✓ Fatter/longer left tail

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## Kurtosis

- **Leptokurtic:**  $\text{kurtosis} > 3$ ,  $\text{excess kurtosis} > 0$ .
  - ✓ Fatter tailed than normal distribution.
- **Mesokurtic:**  $\text{kurtosis} = 3$ ,  $\text{excess kurtosis} = 0$ .
  - ✓ Identical to normal distribution.
- **Platykurtic:**  $\text{kurtosis} < 3$ ,  $\text{excess kurtosis} < 0$ .
  - ✓ Thinner tailed than normal distribution.



# Describing Data

## Covariance and Correlation

### ➤ Covariance

- ✓ Positive covariance & Negative covariance

### ➤ Correlation

- ✓ **linear** relationship between two variables.
- ✓  $r_{xy} = \frac{s_{xy}}{s_x s_y}$ , values range from -1 to +1.
- ✓ A correlation of 0 (uncorrelated variables) indicates an absence of any **linear**(straight-line) relationship.
- ✓ The bigger the absolute value, the stronger the linear relationship.

## Practice 1

The following information is available on three portfolios:

Portfolio	Mean Return (%)	Std. Dev. (%)
D	10	20
E	18	15
F	6	3

The risk-free rate is 4%. The portfolio that has the best performance as measured by coefficient of variation is:

- A. Portfolio F.
- B. Portfolio E.
- C. Portfolio D.

## Practice 1

Answer: A

The coefficient of variation is defined as:  $CV = s/\bar{X}$ .

In this case,  $CV_D = 20/10 = 2$ ;

$$CV_E = 15/18 = 0.83;$$

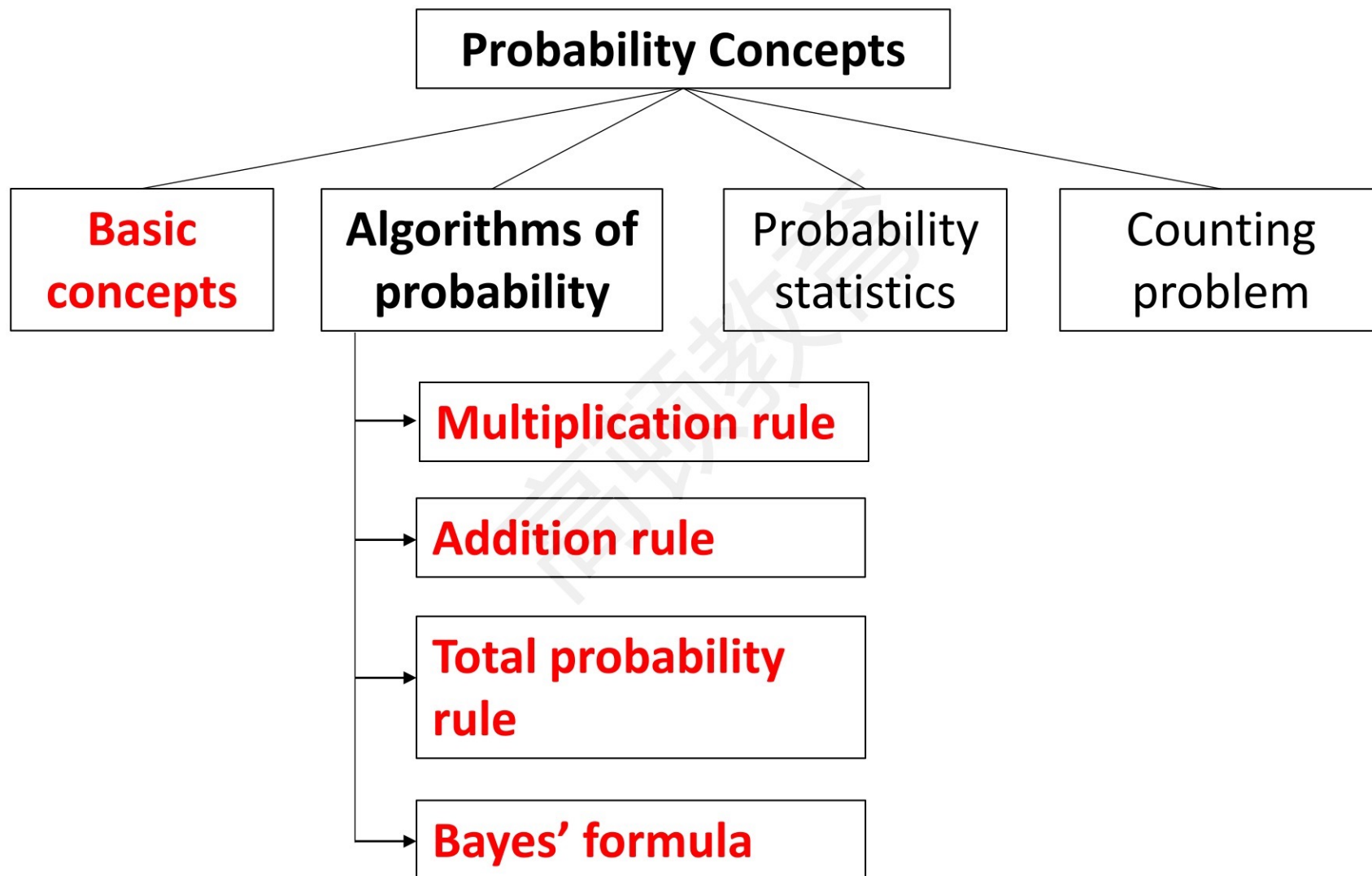
$$CV_F = 3/6 = 0.5.$$

The portfolio with the best performance as measured by the coefficient of variation is the one with the lowest coefficient of variation: Portfolio F.

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# Basic Concepts

## Basic concepts

- Random variable & Outcomes & Event
- Relationship among events
  - ✓ Mutually exclusive events & Exhaustive events
  - ✓ Independent events & Dependent events
- Types of probability
  - ✓ Empirical probability vs. Priori probability vs. Subjective probability
  - ✓ Odds for vs. Odds against
  - ✓ Unconditional probability vs. Conditional probability



# Algorithms of Probability

## Multiplication rule

➤  $P(AB) = P(A|B)P(B)$

✓ For independent events:  $P(A|B) = P(A) \rightarrow P(AB) = P(A)P(B)$

## Addition rule

➤  $P(A+B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(AB)$

✓ For mutually exclusive events:

$$P(A+B) = P(A) + P(B)$$

# Algorithms of Probability

## Total probability rule

➤ 
$$P(A) = P(A|S_1)P(S_1) + P(A|S_2)P(S_2) + \dots + P(A|S_n)P(S_n)$$

## Bayes' formula

➤ 
$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)}{P(B)} \times P(A)$$

## Practice 1

An analyst has established the following prior probabilities regarding a company's next quarter's earnings per share (EPS).

	Prior probabilities
EPS below consensus	40%
EPS equal or exceed consensus	60%

Several days before releasing its earnings statement, the company announces a cut in its dividend. Given this information, the analyst revises his opinion regarding the likelihood that the company will have EPS below the consensus estimate.

## Practice 1

He estimates the likelihoods the company will cut the dividend as reported below.

$P(\text{Cut div} \mid \text{EPS below consensus})$ : 70%;

$P(\text{Cut div} \mid \text{EPS equal or exceed consensus})$ : 20%.

Using Bayes' formula, the updated (posterior) probability that the company's EPS are below the consensus is closest to:

- A. 24%.
- B. 70%.
- C. 85%.

## Practice 1

Answer: B

First, calculate the unconditional probability for a cut in dividends:

$$P(\text{Cut div}) = 0.4 \times 0.7 + 0.6 \times 0.2 = 0.4.$$

Then update the probability of EPS falling below the consensus:

$$P(\text{EPS below consensus} | \text{Cut div})$$

$$= [P(\text{Cut div} | \text{EPS below consensus}) \div P(\text{Cut div})] \times P(\text{EPS below consensus})$$

$$= [0.7 \div 0.4] \times 0.4 = 70\%.$$