It’s Official: We Offer the Best Fundamental Data in the World

We have excellent news.

The Journal of Financial Economics selected the paper, Core Earnings: New Data & Evidence, for publication.

The paper reveals:

1. Legacy fundamental datasets suffer from significant inaccuracies, omissions and biases.
2. Only our “novel database” enables investors to overcome those flaws and apply reliable fundamental data in their research.
3. Our proprietary measures of Core Earnings and Earnings Distortion materially improve stock picking and forecasting of profits.

Now, all investors, not just Wall Street insiders, can properly assess corporate profits after excluding the unusual gains and losses that companies bury in footnotes.

The authors, professors from Harvard Business School and MIT Sloan, invested years of research into the paper. After it was rigorously reviewed by experts, The Journal of Financial Economics, a top-three peer-reviewed journal in the world, selected it for publication.

With the 100% transparency of our models, the authors could unequivocally demonstrate the differences in our data and models versus legacy firms. We eagerly share the unrivalled rigor of our research.

The paper also highlights the difficulty in collecting critical data from the footnotes and the MD&A. It underscores the unrivaled efficacy of our Robo-Analyst technology for intelligently analyzing complex financial statements and disclosures at unprecedented scale.

Harvard Business School and MIT Sloan are not the only institutions to write papers on the superiority of our data and research. Find more papers here.

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Many firms claim their research is superior, but none of them can prove it with independent studies from highly-respected institutions as we can. Three different papers from both the public and private sectors show:

4. Legacy fundamental datasets suffer from significant inaccuracies, omissions and biases.
5. Only our “novel database” can overcome these flaws and provides materially superior fundamental data.
6. Our proprietary measures of Core Earnings and Earnings Distortion materially improve stock picking and forecasting of profits.

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Key quotes from the paper:

- “[New Constructs’] Total Adjustments differs significantly from the items identified and excluded from Compustat’s adjusted earnings measures. For example... 50% to 70% of the variation in Total Adjustments is not explained by S&P Global’s (SPGI) Adjustments individually.” – pp. 14, 1st para.
- “A final source of differences [between New Constructs’ and S&P Global’s data] is due to data collection oversights...we identified cases where Compustat did not collect information relating to firms’ income that is useful in assessing core earnings.” – pp. 16, 2nd para.

Superior Models

A top accounting firm features the superiority of our ROIC, NOPAT and Invested Capital research to Capital IQ & Bloomberg’s in Getting ROIC Right. See the Appendix for direct comparison details.

Key quotes from the paper:

- “…an accurate calculation of ROIC requires more diligence than often occurs in some of the common, off-the-shelf ROIC calculations. Only by scouring the footnotes and the MD&A [as New Constructs does] can investors get an accurate calculation of ROIC.” – pp. 8, 5th para.
- “The majority of the difference...comes from New Constructs’ machine learning approach, which leverages technology to calculate ROIC by applying accounting adjustments that may be buried deeply in the footnotes across thousands of companies.” – pp. 4, 2nd para.

Superior Stock Ratings

Robo-Analysts’ stock ratings outperform those from human analysts as shown in this paper from Indiana’s Kelley School of Business. Bloomberg features the paper here.

Key quotes from the paper:

- “the portfolios formed following the buy recommendations of Robo-Analysts earn abnormal returns that are statistically and economically significant.” – pp. 6, 3rd para.
- “Our results ultimately suggest that Robo-Analysts are a valuable, alternative information intermediary to traditional sell-side analysts.” – pp. 20, 3rd para.

Our mission is to provide the best fundamental analysis of public and private businesses in the world and make it affordable for all investors, not just Wall Street insiders.

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