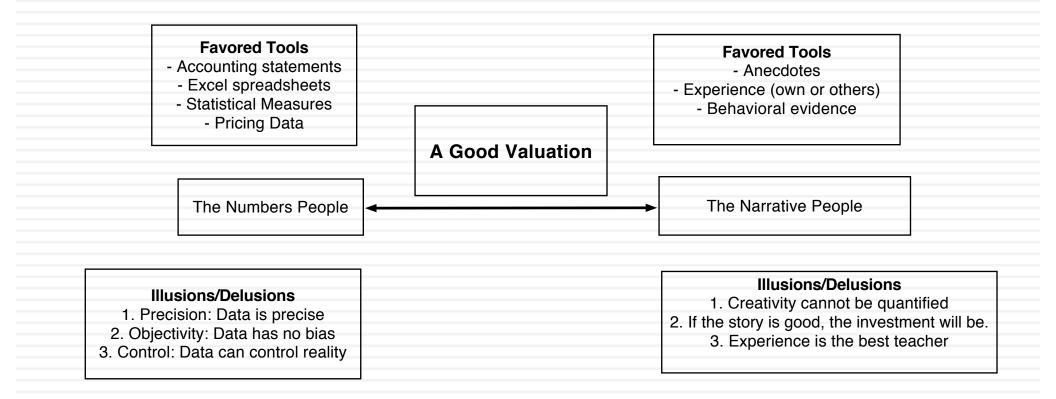
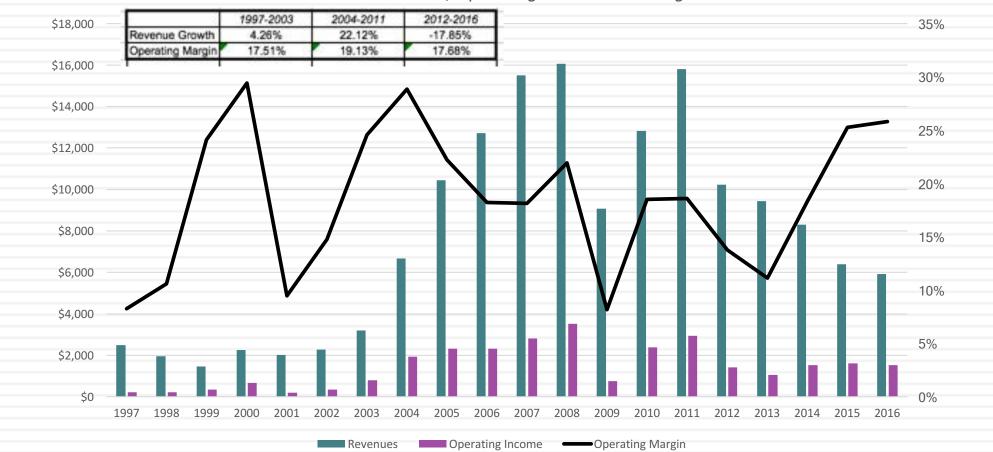
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The model is your tool... for telling a story



Severstal: Reading the (historical) tea

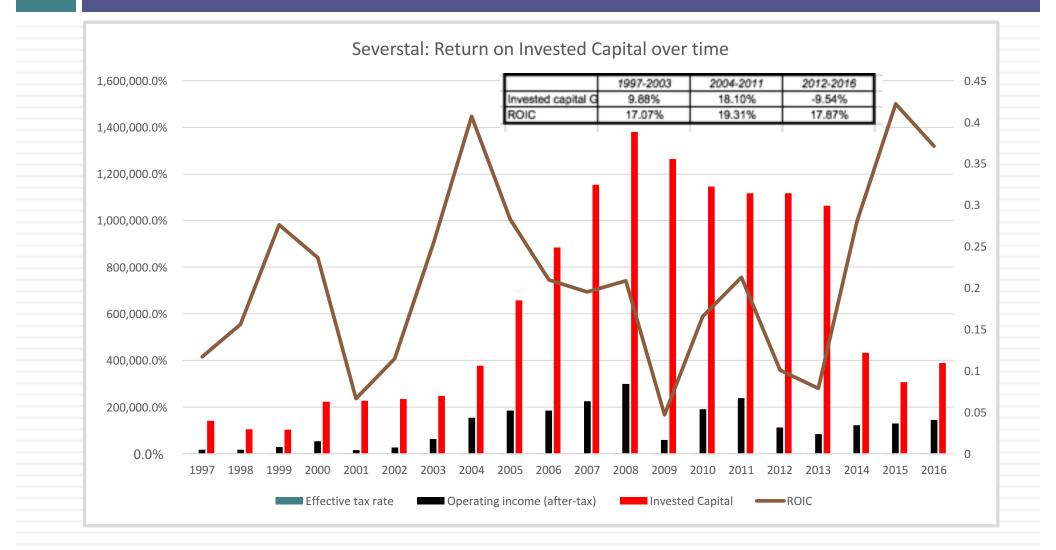
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Severstal: Revenues, Operating Income and Margins

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Operating income, Reinvestment & Return on Capital -



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Fundamentals: Steel Companies in April

Expected Debt to Historical growth arowth in Capital Return on Pre-tax Operating Effective Tax in Revenues revenues -Capital (ROC Ratio Dividend Broad Group (Market) Debt/EBITDA Last 3 years Next 2 years or ROIC) Margin Rate Payout Emerging Markets -3.34% 9.51% 4.70% 5.35% 14.58% 12.50% 4.38 100.30% -2.96% 8.03% 3.65% 4.56% 15.17% Global 12.05% 3.89 70.32% -14.40% 5.61% 47.64% 25.81% 5.65% 3.75% 1.07 56.82% Severstal

Shrinking faster & expected to grow slower than peer group Immensely more profitable than the rest of the sector

Has less debt than other steel companies While holding back more cash

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The Severstal Story: A Reality Based Steel Company!

- Severstal is a company in a bad business (shrinking revenues, margin pressures) that has worked at divesting the portions of its business that have the lowest margins (North America), reducing its debt load and focusing on its high margin domestic business
- In my story, the company will continue to emphasize high margins over growth and while country and commodity price risk lurk, it will be able to weather the storms with its domestic profits. Growth with return to low single digits and margins will stabilize at close to its current high levels (because of the company's competitive advantages in Russia).

Severstal: Valuation (April 2017)

