NUMBERS AND NARRATIVE: MODELING, STORY TELLING AND INVESTING

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Left Brain or Right Brain?

The side of the brain we tend to use more may determine our learning styles, not to mention instructors' teaching methods:

LEFT SIDE



Linear

Processes information by taking pieces, lining them up, and arranging them in a logical order to draw conclusions.



Reality-based

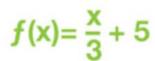
Deals with reality the way it is.

When affected by the
environment, adjustment can
be easily made.



Sequence

Processes information in order.
This makes for easy daily planning and accomplishing tasks.



Symbolic

Processing symbols is no problem such as letters, words, and mathematical notation.

RIGHT SIDE



Holistic

Processes information by starting with the answer. It sees the big picture first, not the details.



Fantasy-oriented

Processes information based on what they think the answer is. Often they find the answer intuitively.



Randon

Processes information through random processing. Tasks are done randomly and in parts.



Concrete

Processing requires things to be concrete such as feeling, seeing, or touching the real object.

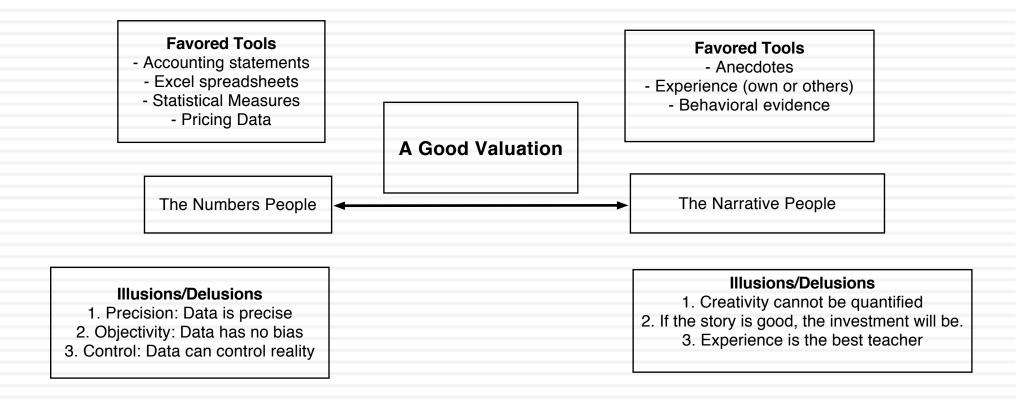
The delusions of the number crunchers

- The illusion of precision: If you use numbers, you are being more precise than when you don't, and the more numbers you use, the more precise you become.
- The illusion of "no bias": Numbers don't lie and data does not have an agenda. Thus, analysts who use numbers are more likely to be unbiased.
- The illusion of control: If you put a number on something (your cash flows, expected growth rate, risk etc.), you can control it better.

The delusions of the story tellers

- Number crunchers don't dream in technicolour: Creativity and Numbers are mutually exclusive. If you talk about numbers, you cannot be creative, and if you are being creative, talk about numbers only crimps your creative instincts.
- <u>Creativity is deserving of reward</u>: If your story is good, your business will success and your investment will pay off.
- Experience is the best teacher: If you have pulled this off before (started and succeeded at running a business), your story is more believable.

Bridging the Gap



Building a Valuation

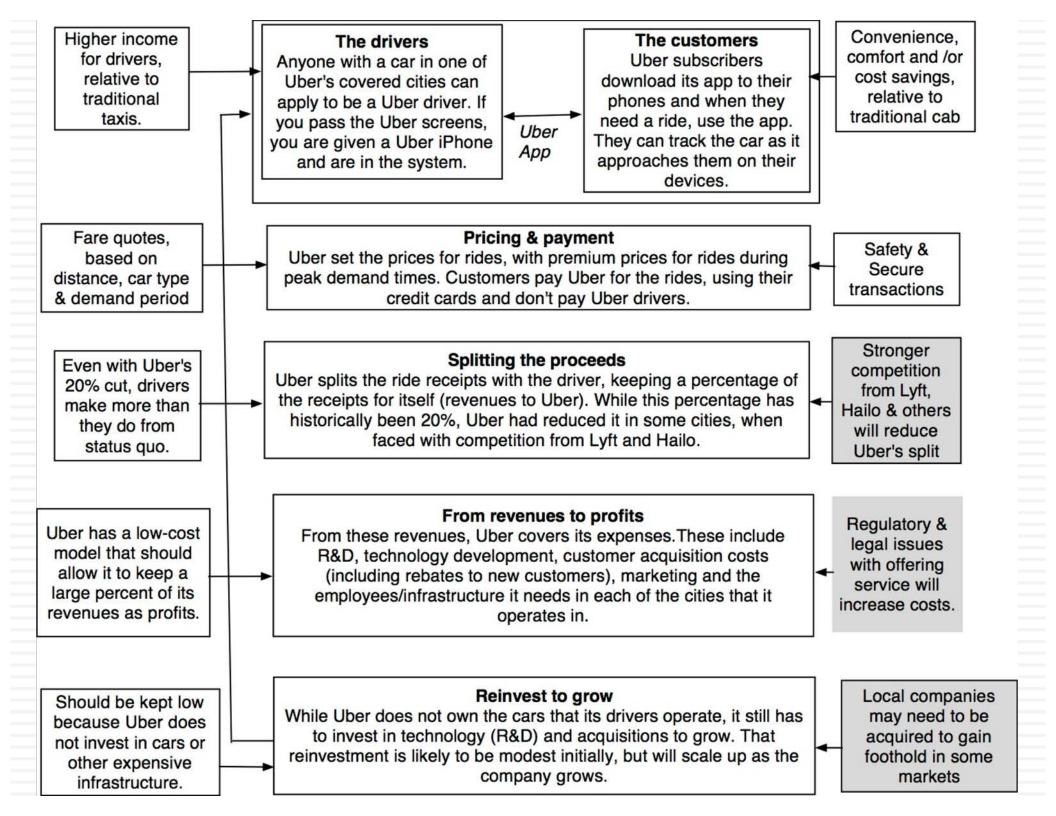
Story to Numbers

From Story to Numbers: The Steps

Step 1: Develop a narrative for the business that you are valuing In the narrative, you tell your story about how you see the business evolving over Step 2: Test the narrative to see if it is possible, plausible and probable There are lots of possible narratives, not all of them are plausible and only a few of them are probable. Step 3: Convert the narrative into drivers of value Take the narrative apart and look at how you will bring it into valuaton inputs starting with potential market size down to cash flows and risk. By the time you are done, each part of the narrative should have a place in your numbers and each number should be backed up a portion of your story. Step 4: Connect the drivers of value to a valuation Create an intrinsic valuation model that connects the inputs to an end-value the business. Step 5: Keep the feedback loop open Listen to people who know the business better than you do and use their suggestions to fine tune your narrative and perhaps even alter it. Work out the effects on value of alternative narratives for the company.

Step 1a: Survey the landscape

- Every valuation starts with a narrative, a story that you see unfolding for your company in the future.
- In developing this narrative, you will be making assessments of
 - Your company (its products, its management and its history.
 - The market or markets that you see it growing in.
 - The competition it faces and will face.
 - The macro environment in which it operates.

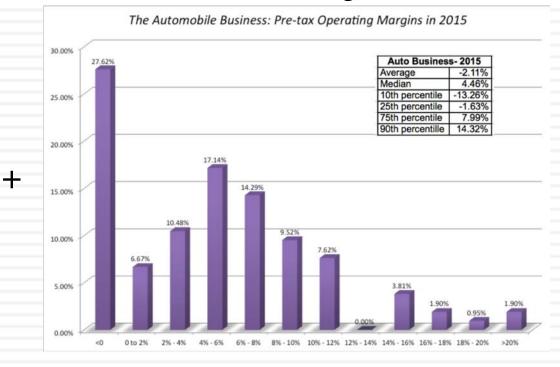


Low Growth

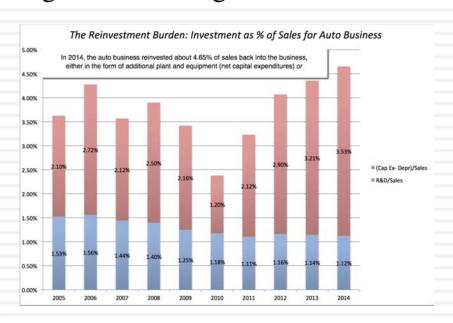
The Auto Business

Low Margins

Year ▼	Revenues (\$)	% Growth Rate			
2005	1,274,716.60				
2006	1,421,804.20	11.54%			
2007	1,854,576.40	30.44%			
2008	1,818,533.00	-1.94%			
2009	1,572,890.10	-13.51%			
2010	1,816,269.40	15.47%			
2011	1,962,630.40	8.06%			
2012	2,110,572.20	7.54%			
2013	2,158,603.00	2.28%			
2014	2,086,124.80	-3.36%			
ounded Avera	age =	5.63%			



High & Increasing Reinvestment



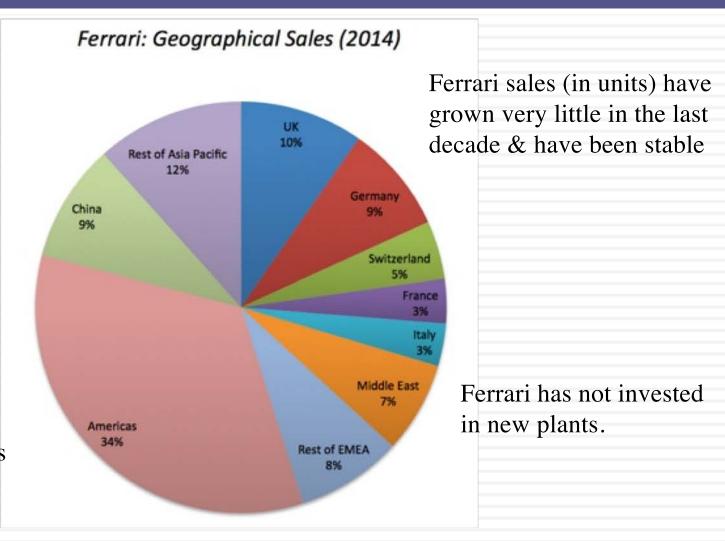
Bad Business

				Only once in the las
	ROIC	Cost of capital	ROiC - Cost of capital	10 years have auto
2004	6.82%	7.93%	-1.11%	
2005	10.47%	7.02%	3.45%	companies
2006	4.60%	7.97%	-3.37%	collectively earned
2007	7.62%	8.50%	-0.88%	more than their cost
2008	3.48%	8.03%	-4.55%	of capital
2009	-4.97%	8.58%	-13.55%	
2010	5.16%	8.03%	-2.87%	
2011	7.55%	8.15%	-0.60%	1
2012	7.80%	8.55%	-0.75%	
2013	7.83%	8.47%	-0.64%	
2014	6.47%	7.53%	-1.06%	

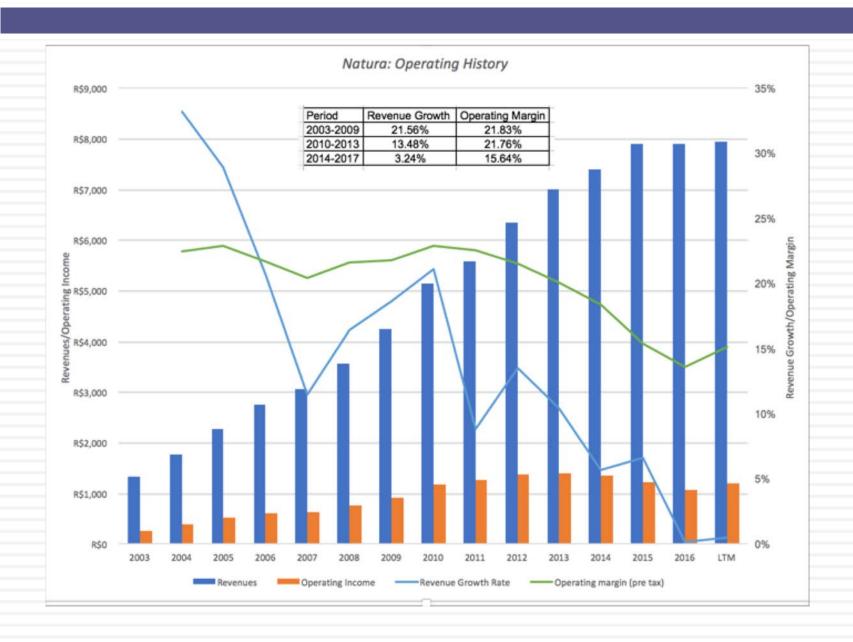
What makes Ferrari different?

Ferrari sold only 7,255 cars in all of 2014

Ferrari had a profit margin of 18.2%, in the 95th percentile, partly because of its high prices and partly because it spends little on advertising.



Natura: History



The Cosmetics Sector

- High Operating Margins: The sector is one with high operating margins and returns on capital:
 - The median pre-tax operating margin across cosmetics companies is about 14%. There is a wide range, though, around this median.
 - The median return on capital is about 12.5%, well above the cost of capital
- Brand name is key competitive advantage: The key competitive advantage in this business is brand names, with stronger brand names translating into higher margins/ returns.
- Globalizing, with growth coming primarily from emerging markets: The growth in developed markets has slowed and much of the new growth is coming from emerging markets (Asia & Latin America).

Step 1b: Create a narrative for the future

- Every valuation starts with a narrative, a story that you see unfolding for your company in the future.
- In developing this narrative, you will be making assessments of your company (its products, its management), the market or markets that you see it growing in, the competition it faces and will face and the macro environment in which it operates.
 - Rule 1: Keep it simple.
 - Rule 2: Keep it focused.

The Uber Narrative

In June 2014, my initial narrative for Uber was that it would be

- 1. <u>An urban car service business</u>: I saw Uber primarily as a force in urban areas and only in the car service business.
- 2. Which would expand the business moderately (about 40% over ten years) by bringing in new users.
- With local networking benefits: If Uber becomes large enough in any city, it will quickly become larger, but that will be of little help when it enters a new city.
- 4. Maintain its revenue sharing (20%) system due to strong competitive advantages (from being a first mover).
- 5. And its existing low-capital business model, with drivers as contractors and very little investment in infrastructure.

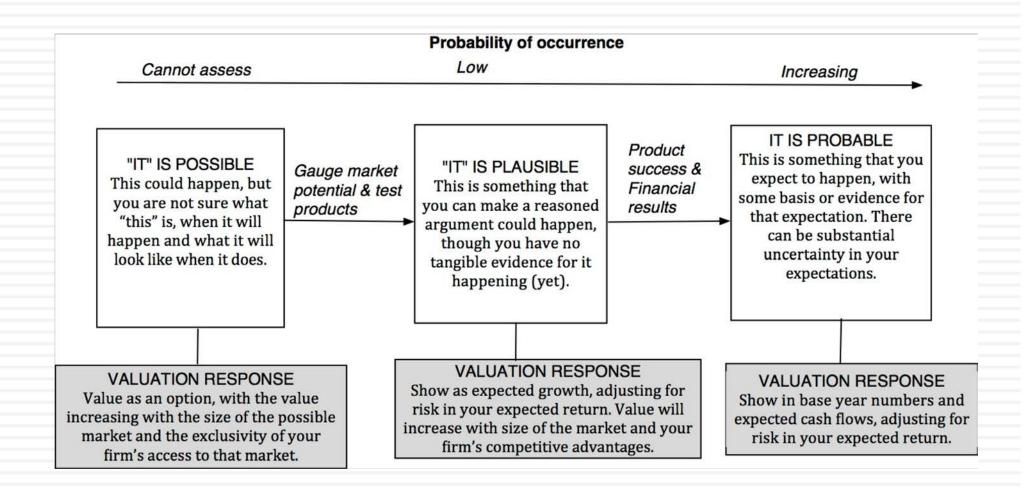
The Ferrari Narrative

- Ferrari will stay an exclusive auto club, deriving its allure from its scarcity and the fact that only a few own Ferraris.
- By staying exclusive, the company gets three benefits:
 - It can continue to charge nose bleed prices for its cars and sell them with little or no advertising.
 - It does not need to invest in new assembly plants, since it does not plan to ramp up production.
 - It sells only to the super rich, who are unaffected by overall economic conditions or market crises.

The Natura Story

- □ A cosmetics company: Business focus will stay on cosmetics.
- With strong brand name recognition: Mostly in Brazil, with some Latin American presence but not much outside.
- Hurt by Brazil country risk: Revenue growth and margins have dropped since 2014, partly because of "country" troubles.
- Return to normalcy: We see the company adapting to the new environment and reverting back to higher operating margins and revenue growth, before settling into a high margin, positive excess return steady state.
- With a more global focus: Acquisition of Body Shop may reflect more global ambitions.

Step 2: Check the narrative against history, economic first principles & common sense



The Impossible, The Implausible and the Improbable

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The Impossible

Bigger than the economy

Assuming Growth rate for company in perpetuity> Growth rate for economy

Bigger than the total market

Allowing a company's revenues to grow so much that it has more than a 100% market share of whatever business it is in.

Profit margin > 100%

Assuming earnings growth will exceeds revenue growth for a long enough period, and pushing margins above 100%

Depreciation without cap ex

Assuming that depreciation will exceed cap ex in perpetuity.

The Implausible

Growth without reinvestment

Assuming growth forever without reinvestment.

Profits without competition

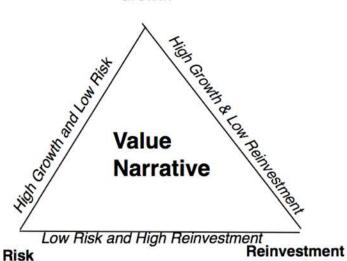
Assuming that your company will grow and earn higher profits, with no competition.

Returns without risk

Assuming that you can generate high returns in a business with no risk.

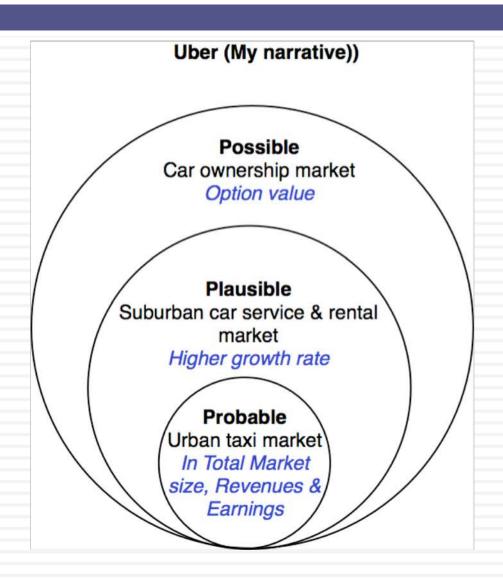
The Improbable

Growth

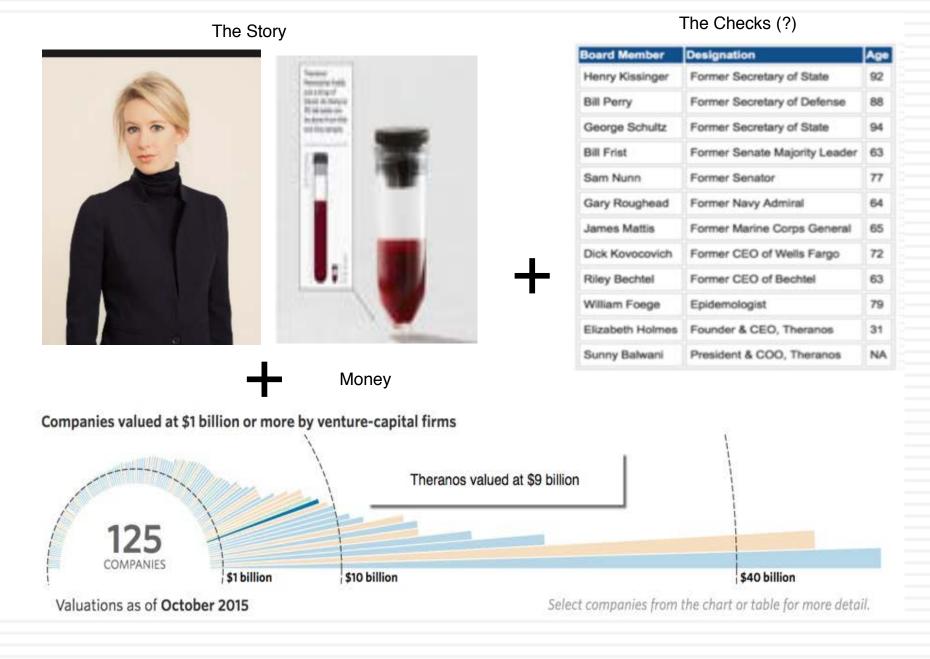


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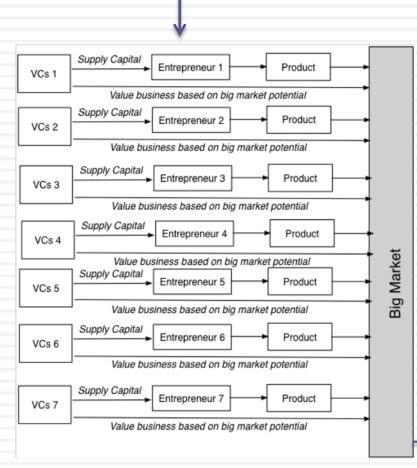
Uber: Possible, Plausible and Probable



The Impossible: The Runaway Story



VC 1.1 Supply Capital Entrepreneur 1 Product Value business based on big market potential VC 1.3



The Implausible: The Big Market Delusion

				Breakeven	% from Online	Imputed Online Ad
Company	Market Cap	Enterprise Value	Current Revenues	Revenues (2025)	Advertising	Revenue (2025)
Google	\$441,572.00	\$386,954.00	\$69,611.00	\$224,923.20	89.50%	\$201,306.26
Facebook	\$245,662.00	\$234,696.00	\$14,640.00	\$129,375.54	92.20%	\$119,284.25
Yahoo!	\$30,614.00	\$23,836.10	\$4,871.00	\$25,413.13	100.00%	\$25,413.13
LinkedIn	\$23,265.00	\$20,904.00	\$2,561.00	\$22,371.44	80.30%	\$17,964.26
Twitter	\$16,927.90	\$14,912.90	\$1,779.00	\$23,128.68	89.50%	\$20,700.17
Pandora	\$3,643.00	\$3,271.00	\$1,024.00	\$2,915.67	79.50%	\$2,317.96
Yelp	\$1,765.00	\$0.00	\$465.00	\$1,144.26	93.60%	\$1,071.02
Zillow	\$4,496.00	\$4,101.00	\$480.00	\$4,156.21	18.00%	\$748.12
Zynga	\$2,241.00	\$1,142.00	\$752.00	\$757.86	22.10%	\$167.49
Total US	\$770,185.90	\$689,817.00	\$96,183.00	\$434,185.98		\$388,972.66
Alibaba	\$184,362.00	\$173,871.00	\$12,598.00	\$111,414.06	60.00%	\$66,848.43
Tencent	\$154,366.00	\$151,554.00	\$13,969.00	\$63,730.36	10.50%	\$6,691.69
Baidu	\$49,991.00	\$44,864.00	\$9,172.00	\$30,999.49	98.90%	\$30,658.50
Sohu.com	\$18,240.00	\$17,411.00	\$1,857.00	\$16,973.01	53.70%	\$9,114.51
Naver	\$13,699.00	\$12,686.00	\$2,755.00	\$12,139.34	76.60%	\$9,298.74
Yandex	\$3,454.00	\$3,449.00	\$972.00	\$2,082.52	98.80%	\$2,057.52
Yahoo! Japan	\$23,188.00	\$18,988.00	\$3,591.00	\$5,707.61	69.40%	\$3,961.08
Sina	\$2,113.00	\$746.00	\$808.00	\$505.09	48.90%	\$246.99
Netease	\$14,566.00	\$11,257.00	\$2,388.00	\$840.00	11.90%	\$3,013.71
Mail.ru	\$3,492.00	\$3,768.00	\$636.00	\$1,676.47	35.00%	\$586.76
Mixi	\$3,095.00	\$2,661.00	\$1,229.00	\$777.02	96.00%	\$745.94
Kakaku	\$3,565.00	\$3,358.00	\$404.00	\$1,650.49	11.60%	\$191.46
Total non-US	\$474,131.00	\$444,613.00	\$50,379.00	\$248,495.46		\$133,415.32
Global Total	\$1,244,316.90	\$1,134,430.00	\$146,562.00	\$682,681.44		\$522,387.98

The Improbable: Willy Wonkitis

Tesla: Summary 15-year DCF Analysis (DCF valuation as of mid-year 2013)

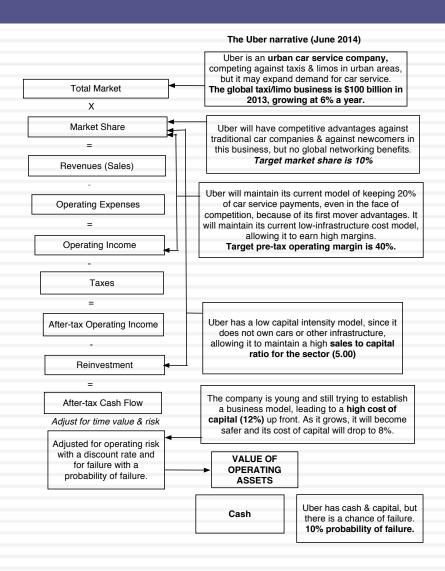
	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Unit Volume	24,298	36,883	64,684	86,713	149,869	214,841	291,861	384,747	466,559	550,398	643,850	726,655	820,645	922,481	1,034,215	1,137,780
% Growth	7,000	52%	75%	34%	73%	43%	36%	32%	21%	18%	17%	13%	1396	12%	12%	10%
Automotive Revenue Per Unit (\$)	93,403	85,342	83,432	78,932	65,465	58,258	56,407	55,553	55,991	56,586	56,969	57,540	58,138	58,603	59,002	59,554
% Growth		-9%	-2%	-5%	-17%	-11%	-3%	-2%	196	196	1%	1%	1%	116	176	1%
Automotive Sales	2,462	3,321	5,613	7,051	10,025	12,720	16,685	21,595	26,347	31,357	36,897	42,022	47,949	54,283	61,221	67,980
Development Service Sales	16	40	42	44	46	49	51	54	56	59	62	65	68	72	75	79
Total Sales	2,478	3,361	5,655	7,095	10,072	12,768	16,736	21,648	26,403	31,416	36,959	42,087	48,017	54,355	61,296	68,059
% Growth		36%	68%	25%	42%	27%	31%	29%	22%	19%	18%	14%	14%	13%	13%	11%
EBITDA	148	417	920	1,042	1,586	2,150	3,138	4,066	4,857	5,723	6,328	7,182	8,144	9,688	10,874	12,099
% Margin	6.0%	12.4%	16.3%	14.7%	15.7%	16.8%	18.7%	18.8%	18.4%	18.2%	17.1%	17.1%	17.0%	17.8%	17.7%	17.8%
D&A	103	158	172	203	301	353	389	537	606	696	811	938	1,088	1,260	1,451	1,661
% of Capex	41%	79%	50%	65%	62%	69%	78%	86%	79%	77%	75%	76%	76%	76%	76%	77%
EBIT	45	259	748	839	1,285	1,796	2,749	3,529	4,252	5,027	5,517	6,244	7,056	8,429	9,423	10,439
% Margin	1.8%	7.7%	13.2%	11.8%	12.8%	14.1%	16.4%	16.3%	16.1%	16.0%	14.9%	14.8%	14.7%	15.5%	15.4%	15.3%
Net Interest Income (Expense)	(27)	(1)	9	33	47	90	108	155	199	278	358	445	542	651	784	934
Other Income	28	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pretax Income	46	258	758	872	1,332	1,886	2,857	3,684	4,451	5,305	5,875	6,688	7,598	9,080	10,207	11,373
Income Taxes	3	2	14	34	86	262	462	641	807	1,003	1,134	1,317	1,470	1,761	2,028	2,323
% Effective Rate	6%	1%	2%	456	656	14%	16%	17%	1896	19%	19%	20%	1996	19%	20%	20%
Net Income	44	256	744	839	1,246	1,624	2,395	3,043	3,644	4,303	4,741	5,372	6,128	7,319	8,179	9,050
Plus																
After-tax Interest Expense (Income)	27	1	(9)	(33)	(47)	(90)	(108)	(154)	(199)	(278)	(357)	(444)	(541)	(650)	(782)	(932)
Depreciation of PP&E	103	158	172	203	301	353	389	537	606	696	811	938	1,088	1,260	1,451	1,661
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Less																
Change in Working Capital	(155)	(14)	(157)	(167)	(172)	(325)	(163)	(81)	(28)	(299)	(356)	(328)	(219)	(329)	(365)	(376)
% of Change in Sales		-2%	-7%	-12%	-6%	-12%	-4%	-2%	-1%	-6%	-6%	-6%	-4%	-5%	-5%	-6%
Capital Expenditures	250	200	312	312	486	510	497	623	765	906	1,078	1,236	1,437	1,660	1,898	2,149
% of Sales	10%	6%	6%	4%	5%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unlevered Free Cash Flow	78	229	750	863	1,186	1,702	2,343	2,884	3,314	4,113	4,472	4,959	5,456	6,597	7,315	8,005

EBITDA	12,099
Sales	68,059
Net Debt (Cash)	(260)
Tesla Diluted Shares	142

Exit EBITDA High	12.0 x	Exit PPG High	5.0%	Exit P/Sales High	180%
Exit EBITDA Low	8.0 x	Exit PPG Low	3.0%	Exit P/Sales Low	130%

Discount Rate High 13.0% FY Month of Valuation 1.0 (Beginning of this Month)
Discount Rage Low 9.0% Month of FY End 12.0 (End of this Month)

Step 3: Connect your narrative to key drivers of value



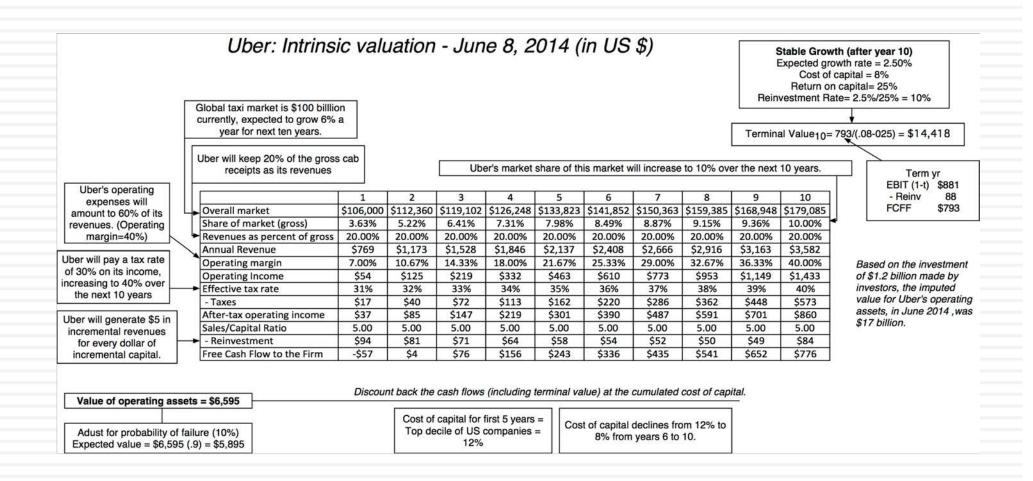
Ferrari: From story to numbers

Valuation Input	The Story	Valuation Inputs		
Revenues	Keep it scarce	Revenue growth of 4% (in Euro terms) a year for next 5 years, scaling down to		
Operating Margin & Taxes		0.7% in year 10. Translates into an increase in production of about 25% in next 10 years		
Operating Income	And pricey	Ferrari's pre-tax operating margin stays at 18.2%, in the 95th percentile of auto business.		
Reinvestment	Little need for capacity expansion	Sales/Invested Capital stays at 1.42, i.e. every euro invested generates 1.42 euros in sales		
Cash Flow				
Discount Rate (Risk)	Super-rich clients are recession-proof	Cost of capital of 6.96% in Euros and no chance of default.		
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Natura: From story to numbers

	Base year	Years 1-5	Years 6-10		After year 10	Link to story
Revenues (a)	R\$ 7,952	9.92%	6.00%		6.00%	Latin American growth potential
Operating margin (b)	15.51%	15.51%	18.00%		18.00%	Improvement back to 2014 levels
Tax rate	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%		25.00%	Steady state tax rate
Reinvestment (c)		Sales to capital ratio :	1.87	RIR =	40.00%	Reinvest like global cosmetics companies
Return on capital	25.60%	Marginal ROIC =	37.21%		15.00%	Strong brand name persists
Cost of capital (d)		13.40%	10.50%		10.50%	\$R cost of capital

Step 4: Value the company (Uber)



Ferrari: The "Exclusive Club" Value

		Stay Super Exclusive: Revenue growth is low																							
	Ba	se year		1		2		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10	Ter	minal year	
Revenue growth rate			4.	00%	4.	00%	4.	.00%	4.	00%	4.	.00%	3.	34%	2.	68%	2.	02%	1.	36%	0.	70%		0.70%][
Revenues	€	2,763	€	2,874	€	2,988	€	3,108	€	3,232	€	3,362	€ :	3,474	€ :	3,567	€	3,639	€	3,689	€	3,714	€	3,740]
EBIT (Operating) margin		18.20%	18	.20%	18	.20%	18	.20%	18	.20%	18	.20%	18	.20%	18	.20%	18	.20%	18	.20%	18	.20%		18.20%][
EBIT (Operating income)	€	503	€	523	€	544	€	566	€	588	€	612	€	632	€	649	€	662	€	671	€	676	€	681	JI
Tax rate		33.54%	33	54%	33	.54%	33	54%	33	.54%	33	.54%	33	.54%	33	.54%	33	.54%	33	.54%	33	.54%		33.54%	
EBIT(1-t)	€	334	€	348	€	361	€	376	€	391	€	407	€	420	€	431	€	440	€	446	€	449	€	452	
- Reinvestment			€	78	€	81	€	84	€	87	€	91	€	79	€	66	€	51	€	35	€	18	€	22	
FCFF			€	270	€	281	€	292	€	303	€	316	€	341	€	366	€	389	€	411	€	431	€	431	
Cost of capital			6.	96%	6.	96%	6.	96%	6.	96%	6.	96%	6.	96%	6.	97%	6.	98%	6.	99%	7.	00%		7.00%	
PV(FCFF)			€	252	€	245	€	238	€	232	€	225	€	228	€	228	€	227	€	224	€	220			
Terminal value	€	6,835																							
PV(Terminal value)	€	3,485																							
PV (CF over next 10 years)	€	2,321																							
Value of operating assets =	€	5,806																							
- Debt	€	623																							
- Minority interests	€	13																							
+ Cash	€	1,141																							
Value of equity	€	6,311																							

High Prices
+ No selling
cost =
Preserve
current
operating
margin

Minimal Reinvestment due to low growth

The super rich are not sensitive to economic downturns

Natura

The Story

A cosmetics company with strong brand name recognition in Brazil and growth opportunities in Latin America that has seen its operations affected by country risk in Brazil.

Acquisition of Body Shop opens global markets, but with lower margins. We see the company adapting to the new environment and reverting back to higher operating margins and revenue growth, before settling into a high margin, positive excess return steady state.

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Reinvestment (c)		Sales to capital ratio	1.87	RIR =		Reinvest like global cosmetics companies
Return on capital	25.60%	Marginal ROIC =	37.21%		15.00%	Strong brand name persists
Cost of capital (d)		13.40%	10.50%		10.50%	\$R cost of capital
			TI	he Cash Flows		
	Revenues	Operating Margin	EBIT	EBIT (1-t)	Reinvestment	FCFF
1	R\$ 8,740.51	R\$ 0.16	R\$ 1,377.80	R\$ 1,033.35	R\$ 421.82	R\$ 611.52
2	R\$ 9,607.57	R\$ 0.16	R\$ 1,538.35	R\$ 1,153.76	R\$ 463.67	R\$ 690.10
3	R\$ 10,560.64	R\$ 0.16	R\$ 1,717.20	R\$ 1,287.90	R\$ 509.66	R\$ 778.24
4	R\$ 11,608.25	R\$ 0.17	R\$ 1,916.39	R\$ 1,437.30	R\$ 560.22	R\$ 877.07
5	R\$ 12,759.79	R\$ 0.17	R\$ 2,138.21	R\$ 1,603.66	R\$ 615.80	R\$ 987.86
6	R\$ 13,925.53	R\$ 0.17	R\$ 2,368.17	R\$ 1,776.12	R\$ 623.39	R\$ 1,152.74
7	R\$ 15,088.59	R\$ 0.17	R\$ 2,603.45	R\$ 1,952.59	R\$ 621.96	R\$ 1,330.63
8	R\$ 16,230.49	R\$ 0.18	R\$ 2,840.82	R\$ 2,130.61	R\$ 610.64	R\$ 1,519.97
9	R\$ 17,331.57	R\$ 0.18	R\$ 3,076.61	R\$ 2,307.46	R\$ 588.81	R\$ 1,718.65
10	R\$ 18,371.46	R\$ 0.18	R\$ 3,306.86	R\$ 2,480.15	R\$ 556.09	R\$ 1,924.05
Terminal year	R\$ 19,473.75	R\$ 0.18	R\$ 3,505.27	R\$ 2,628.96	R\$ 1,051.58	R\$ 1,577.37
				The Value	-	
Terminal value			R\$ 35,053			
PV(Terminal value)			R\$ 10,773			
PV (CF over next 10 year	rs)		R\$ 5,521			
Value of operating asse	ts =		R\$ 16,293			
Adjustment for distress			R\$ 0		Probability of failure =	0.00%
- Debt & Mnority Intere	ests		R\$ 3,881			
+ Cash & Other Non-op			R\$ 1,624			
Value of equity	_		R\$ 14,036			
- Value of equity option	ns		R\$ 0			
Number of shares			430.40			
Value per share			R\$ 32.61		Stock was trading at =	R\$ 31.55
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Step 5: Keep the feedback loop open

- When you tell a story about a company (either explicitly or implicitly), it is natural to feel attached to that story and to defend it against all attacks. Nothing can destroy an investor more than hubris.
- Being open to other views about a company is not easy,
 but here are some suggestions that may help:
 - Face up to the uncertainty in your own estimates of value.
 - Present the valuation to people who don't think like you do.
 - Create a process where people who disagree with you the most have a say.
 - Provide a structure where the criticisms can be specific and pointed, rather than general.

The Uber Feedback Loop: Bill Gurley

- Not just car service company.: Uber is a car company, not just a car service company, and there may be a day when consumers will subscribe to a Uber service, rather than own their own cars. It could also expand into logistics, i.e., moving and transportation businesses.
- Not just urban: Uber can create new demands for car service in parts of the country where taxis are not used (suburbia, small towns).
- Global networking benefits: By linking with technology and credit card companies, Uber can have global networking benefits.

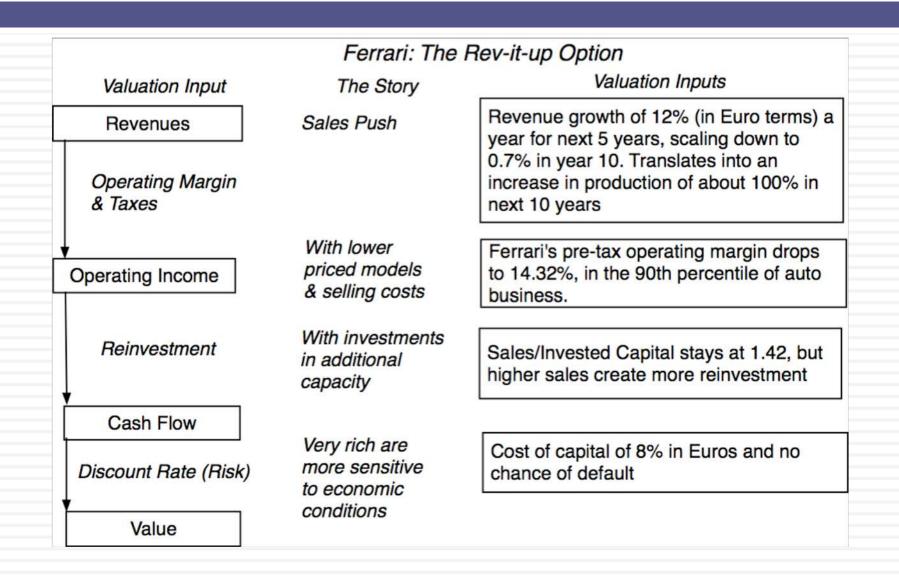
Valuing Bill Gurley's Uber narrative

	Uber (Gurley)	Uber (Gurley Mod)	Uber (Damodaran)
Narrative	Uber will expand the car service	Uber will expand the car service	Uber will expand the car service
	market substantially, bringing in	market substantially, bringing in	market moderately, primarily in
	mass transit users & non-users	mass transit users & non-users from	urban environments, and use its
	from the suburbs into the market,	the suburbs into the market, and use	competitive advantages to get a
	and use its <u>networking</u> advantage	its networking advantage to gain a	significant but not dominant
	to gain a dominant market share,	dominant market share, while	market share and maintain its
	while maintaining its revenue slice	cutting prices and margins (to 10%).	revenue slice at 20%.
	at 20%.		
Total	\$300 billion, growing at 3% a year	\$300 billion, growing at 3% a year	\$100 billion, growing at 6% a year
Market			
Market	40%	40%	10%
Share			
Uber's	20%	10%	20%
revenue			
slice			
Value for	\$53.4 billion + Option value of	\$28.7 billion + Option value of	\$5.9 billion + Option value of
Uber	entering car ownership market	entering car ownership market (\$6	entering car ownership market (\$2-
	(\$10 billion+)	billion+)	3 billion)

Different narratives, Different Numbers

Total Market	Growth Effect	Network Effect	Competitive Advantages	Value of Uber
A4. Mobility Services	B4. Double market size	C5. Strong global network effects	D4. Strong & Sustainable	\$90,457
A3. Logistics	B4. Double market size	C5. Strong global network effects	D4. Strong & Sustainable	\$65,158
A4. Mobility Services	B3. Increase market by 50%	C3. Strong local network effects	D3. Semi-strong	\$52,346
A2. All car service	B4. Double market size	C5. Strong global network effects	D4. Strong & Sustainable	\$47,764
A1. Urban car service	B4. Double market size	C5. Strong global network effects	D4. Strong & Sustainable	\$31,952
A3. Logistics	B3. Increase market by 50%	C3. Strong local network effects	D3. Semi-strong	\$14,321
A1. Urban car service	B3. Increase market by 50%	C3. Strong local network effects	D3. Semi-strong	\$7,127
A2. All car service	B3. Increase market by 50%	C3. Strong local network effects	D3. Semi-strong	\$4,764
A4. Mobility Services	B1. None	C1. No network effects	D1. None	\$1,888
A3. Logistics	B1. None	C1. No network effects	D1. None	\$1,417
A2. All car service	B1. None	C1. No network effects	D1. None	\$1,094
A1. Urban car service	B1. None	C1. No network effects	D1. None	\$799

The Ferrari Counter Narrative



Ferrari: The "Rev-it-up" Alternative

			Get less exclusive: Double number of cars sold over next decade																					
	Base year		1		2		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10		Terminal year	
Revenue growth rate			12	.00%	12	.00%	12	2.00%	12	2.00%	12	2.00%	9.	74%	7.	48%	5.	22%	2.	96%	0.	.70%		0.70%
Revenues	€	2,763	€	3,095	€	3,466	€	3,882	€	4,348	€	4,869	€	5,344	€	5,743	€	6,043	€	6,222	€	6,266	€	6,309
EBIT (Operating) margin		18.20%	17	.81%	17	.42%	17	7.04%	16	6.65%	16	.26%	15	.87%	15	.48%	15	.10%	14	.71%	14	.32%		14.32%
EBIT (Operating income)	€	503	€	551	€	604	€	661	€	724	€	792	€	848	€	889	€	912	€	915	€	897	€	904
Tax rate		33.54%	33	.54%	33	.54%	33	3.54%	33	3.54%	33	.54%	33	.54%	33	.54%	33	.54%	33	.54%	33	.54%		33.54%
EBIT(1-t)	€	334	€	366	€	401	€	439	€	481	€	526	€	564	€	591	€	606	€	608	€	596	€	600
- Reinvestment			€	233	€	261	€	293	€	328	€	367	€	334	€	281	€	211	€	126	€	31	€	35
FCFF			€	133	€	140	€	147	€	153	€	159	€	230	€	310	€	395	€	482	€	566	€	565
Cost of capital		8.00%		00%	8.00%		8	8.00%		8.00%		8.00%		7.90%		7.80%		7.70%		7.60%		7.50%		7.50%
PV(FCFF)			€	123	€	120	€	117	€	113	€	108	€	145	€	181	€	215	€	244	€	266		
Terminal value	€	8,315																						
PV(Terminal value)	€	3,906																						
PV (CF over next 10 years)	€	1,631																						
Value of operating assets =	€	5,537																						
- Debt	€	623																						
- Minority interests	€	13																						
+ Cash	€	1,141																						
Value of equity	€	6,042																						

Lower Prices + Some selling cost = Lower operating margin

Reinvestment reflects higher sales

The very rich are more sensitive to economic conditions

And the world is full of feedback.. My Ferrari afterthought!

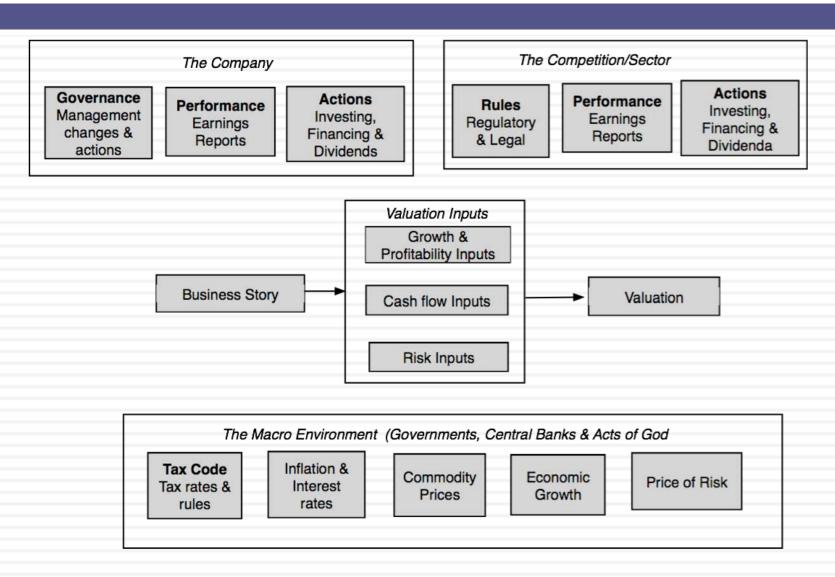


Narrative breaks, shifts & changes

"When my information changes, I alter my conclusions. What do you do, sir?"

Lord Keynes

Why narratives change: Because the world changes around you...



How narratives change

Narrative Break/End	Narrative Shift	Narrative Change (Expansion or Contraction)
Events, external (legal, political or economic) or internal (management, competitive, default), that can cause the narrative to break or end.	Improvement or deterioration in initial business model, changing market size, market share and/or profitability.	Unexpected entry/success in a new market or unexpected exit/failure in an existing market.
Your valuation estimates (cash flows, risk, growth & value) are no longer operative	Your valuation estimates will have to be modified to reflect the new data about the company.	Valuation estimates have to be redone with new overall market potential and characteristics.
Estimate a probability that it will occur & consequences	Monte Carlo simulations or scenario analysis	Real Options

Uber: The September 2015 Update

Input	June 2014	September 2015	Rationale		
Total Market	\$100 billion; Urban car service	\$230 billion; Logistics	Market is broader, bigger & more global than I thought it would be. Uber's entry into delivery & moving businesses is now plausible, perhaps even probable.		
Growth in market	Increase market size by 34%; CAGR of 6%.	Double market size; CAGR of 10.39%.	New customers being drawn to car sharing, with more diverse offerings.		
Market Share	10% (Local Networking)	25% (Weak Global Networking)	Higher cost of entry will reduce competitors, but remaining competitors have access to capital & in Asia, the hometown advantage.		
Slice of gross receipts	20% (Left at status quo)	15%	Increased competition will reduce car service company slice.		
Operating margin	40% (Low cost model)	25% (Partial employee model)	Drivers will become partial employees, higher insurance and regulatory costs.		
Cost of capital			Business model in place and substantial revenues.		
Probability of failure	10%	0%	Enough cash on hand to find off threats to survival.		
Value of \$5.9 billion equity		\$23.4 billion	Value increased more than four fold		

Potential Market	Market size (in millions)
A1. Urban car service	\$100,000
A2. All car service	\$175,000
A3. Logistics	\$230,000
A4. Mobility Services	\$310,000

Growth Effect	CAGR (next 10 years)
B1. None	3.00%
B2. Increase market by 25%	5.32%
B3. Increase market size by 50%	7.26%
B4: Double market size	10.39%

Network Effects	Market Share
C1. No network effects	5%
C2. Weak local network effects	10%
C3. Strong local network effects	15%
C4. Weak global network effects	25%
C5. Strong global network effects	40%

Increases overa	I market to \$618	billion in year 10
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	Base	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Assumptions
Overall market	\$230,000	\$253,897	\$280,277	\$309,398	\$341,544	\$377,031	\$416,204	\$459,448	\$507,184	\$559,881	\$618,052	A3 & B4
Share of market (gross)	4.71%	6.74%	8.77%	10.80%	12.83%	14.86%	16.89%	18.91%	20.94%	22.97%	25.00%	C4
Gross Billings	\$10,840	\$17,117	\$24,582	\$33,412	\$43,813	\$56,014	\$70,277	\$86,900	\$106,218	\$128,612	\$154,513	
Revenues as percent of gross	20.00%	19.50%	19.00%	18.50%	18.00%	17.50%	17.00%	16.50%	16.00%	15.50%	15.00%	D3
Annual Revenue	\$2,168	\$3,338	\$4,670	\$6,181	\$7,886	\$9,802	\$11,947	\$14,338	\$16,995	\$19,935	\$23,177	
Operating margin	-23.06%	-18.26%	-13.45%	-8.64%	-3.84%	0.97%	5.77%	10.58%	15.39%	20.19%	25.00%	E2
Operating Income	-\$500	-\$609	-\$628	-\$534	-\$303	\$95	\$690	\$1,517	\$2,615	\$4,026	\$5,794	
Effective tax rate	30.00%	31.00%	32.00%	33.00%	34.00%	35.00%	36.00%	37.00%	38.00%	39.00%	40.00%	
- Taxes	-\$150	-\$189	-\$201	-\$176	-\$103	\$33	\$248	\$561	\$994	\$1,570	\$2,318	
After-tax operating income	-\$350	-\$420	-\$427	-\$358	-\$200	\$62	\$442	\$956	\$1,621	\$2,456	\$3,477	
Sales/Capital Ratio		5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	F
- Reinvestment		\$234	\$267	\$302	\$341	\$383	\$429	\$478	\$531	\$588	\$648	
Free Cash Flow to the Firm		-\$654	-\$694	-\$660	-\$541	-\$322	\$13	\$478	\$1,090	\$1,868	\$2,828	
Terminal value											\$56,258	
Present value of FCFF		-\$595	-\$573	-\$496	-\$369	-\$200	\$7	\$248	\$520	\$822	\$1,152	
Present value of terminal value											\$22,914	
Cost of capital	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	9.60%	9.20%	8.80%	8.40%	8.00%	G1

PV of cash flows during next 10 years =	\$515
PV of terminal value =	\$22,914
Value of operating assets	\$23,429
Probability of failure	0.00%
Adjusted value of operating assets	\$23,429
Less Debt	\$0
Value of Equity	\$23,429

Expense Profile	Operating Margin
E1: Independent contractor	40%
E2: Partial employee	25%
E3: Full employee	15%

Capital Intensity
F: Status Quo: Sales/Capital = 5

Competitive Advantages	Slice of Gross Receipts
D1. None	5%
D2. Weak	10%
D3. Semi-strong	15%
D4. Strong & Sustainable	20%

Risk Estimates

G1. Cost of capital at 75th percentile of US companies = 10% G2. Probability of failure in next 10 years= 0%

Uber Valuation: September 2015

Uber: Doomsday or Bump in the Road?

- Uber has had a tough few months, with management turnover, legal troubles and competitive challenges all mounting.
- The big question, especially with the trouble at the top, is whether this is a story break (which is catastrophic for the company and its investors), a story shift (which is that the new management will find a new path for the company) or just a story change (more of the same).

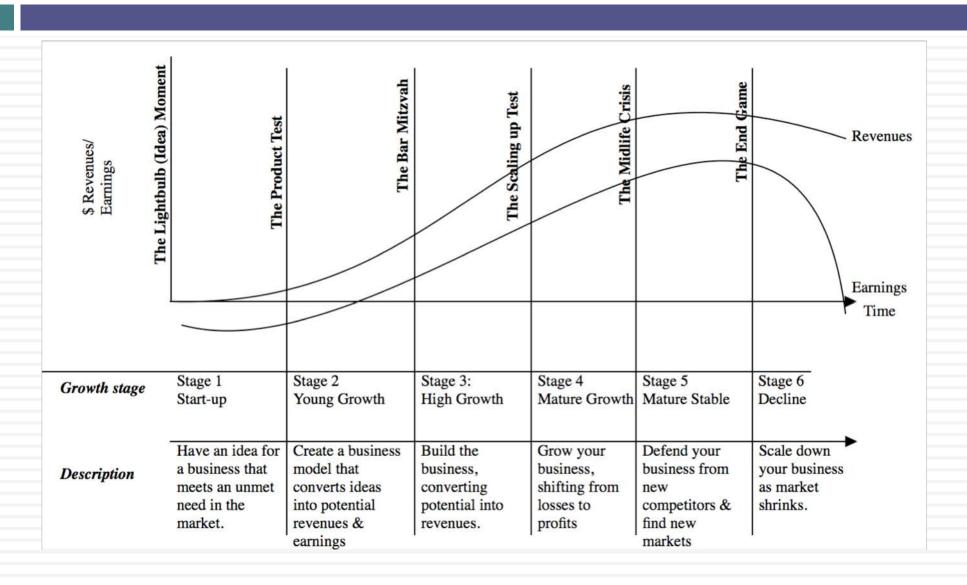
Natura: The Body Shop Acquisition

- Natura acquired The Body Shop from L'Oreal for \$1.1 billion.
- The good news is that Natura is now getting a global presence, through the Body Shop stores. The bad news is that Body Shop has seen revenues stagnate and margins decline.
- The market reaction to the announcement was negative, with Natura stock prices dropping. Is this a story change or a story shift?

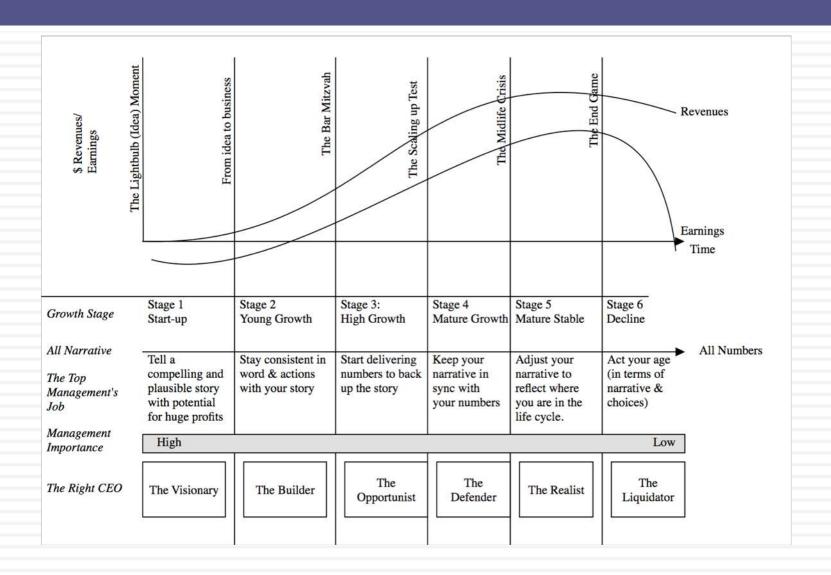
Investors and Managers: Narrative or Numbers?

"Management is, above all, a practice where art, science, and craft meet"

Introducing the corporate life cycle



The Managerial Challenge



The Investor Challenge

Growth stage			Stage 4 & 5 Mature Stable	Stage 6 Decline	
Key Questions	Is there a market for the product or service? How big is that market? Will you survive?	Do people use your product or service? How much do they like it?	Will people pay for the product or service? Can you scale up, i.e., grow as you get bigger?	Can you make money of the product and service and sustain profitability in the face of competition?	What will you get if you sell your assets? How do you plan to return cash flows to your investors?
Pricing Metrics & Measures	Market size, Cash on hand, Access to capital	Number of users, User intensity (EV/User)	User engagement with model, Revenues (EV/Sales)	Earnings levels and growth (PE, EV/EBIT)	Cash flows, Payout & Debt servicing (PBV, EV/EBITDA)
Narrative vs Numbers	Mostly or all narrative	More narrative than numbers	Mix of narrative & numbers	More numbers than narrative	Mostly or all numbers
Value Drivers	Total market size, Market Share & Target Margin	Revenue Growth (and its drivers)	Revenue Growth & Reinvestment	Operating margins and Return on capital	Dividends/Cash Returns & Debt ratios
Dangers	Macro delusions, where companies are collectively overpriced, given market size.	Value distractions, with focus on wrong revenue drivers.	Growth illusions, with failure to factor in the cost of growth.	Disruption Denial, with failure to see threats to sustainable profits.	Liquidation leakage, with unrealistic assumptions about what others will pay for liquidated assets.
Transitions	Potential	to Product Product	to Revenues Revenu	es to Profits Profits to	o Cash flows

The End

"There is no real ending. It's just the place where you stop the story."