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# VALUATION: IT'S NOT THAT COMPLICATED!

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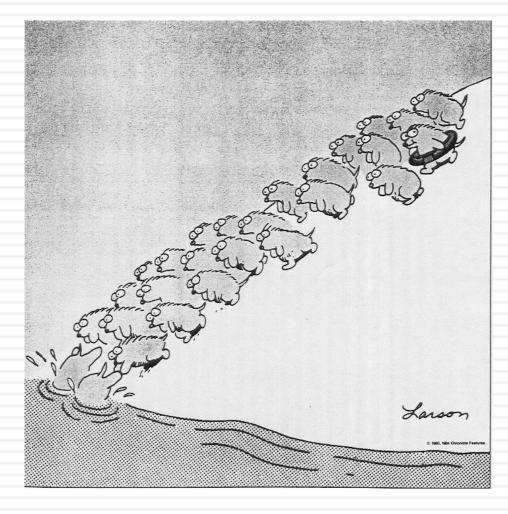
## The Big Picture

## Just because you have a D and a CF does not mean you have a DCF!

## Some Initial Thoughts

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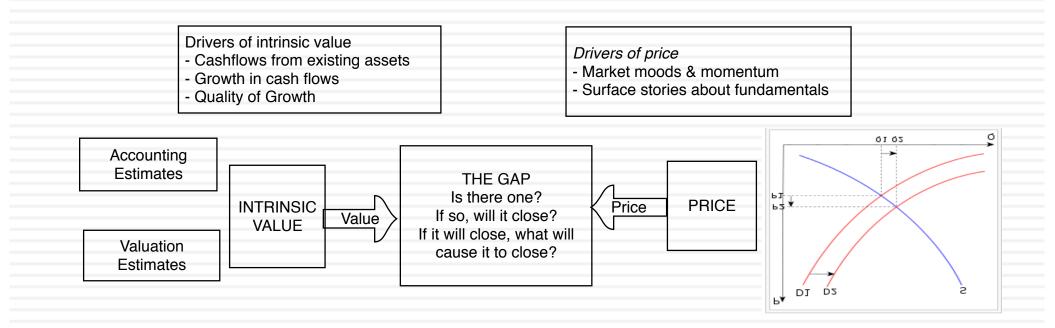
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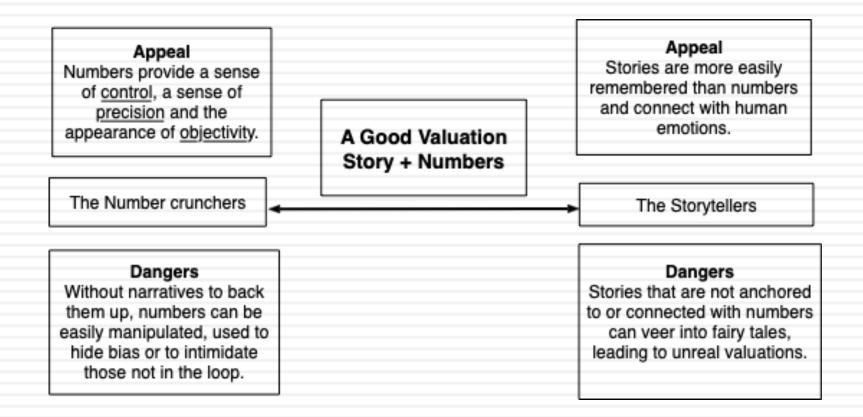
## Theme 1: Characterizing Valuation as a discipline

- In a science, if you get the inputs right, you should get the output right. The laws of physics and mathematics are universal and there are no exceptions. Valuation is not a science.
- In an art, there are elements that can be taught but there is also a magic that you either have or you do not. The essence of an art is that you are either a great artist or you are not. Valuation is not an art.
- A craft is a skill that you learn <u>by doing</u>. The more you do it, the better you get at it. Valuation is a craft.

## Theme 2: Valuing an asset is not the same as pricing that asset



### Theme 3: Good valuation = Story + Numbers



Theme 4: If you value something, you should be willing to act on it..

- What theory? There is very little theory in valuation and I am not sure what an academic valuation would like like and am not sure that I want to find out.
- Pragmatism, not purity: The end game is to estimate a value for an asset. I plan to get there, even if it means taking short cuts and making assumptions that would make purists blanch.
- Do you have faith? To act on your valuations, you have to have faith in
  - In your own valuation judgments.
  - In markets: that prices will move towards your value estimates. That faith will have to be earned.

## **Misconceptions about Valuation**

- Myth 1: A valuation is an objective search for "true" value
  - Truth 1.1: All valuations are biased. The only questions are how much and in which direction.
  - Truth 1.2: The direction and magnitude of the bias in your valuation is directly proportional to who pays you and how much you are paid.
- Myth 2.: A good valuation provides a precise estimate of value
  - Truth 2.1: There are no precise valuations
  - Truth 2.2: The payoff to valuation is greatest when valuation is least precise.
- □ Myth 3: . The more quantitative a model, the better the valuation
  - Truth 3.1: One's understanding of a valuation model is inversely proportional to the number of inputs required for the model.
  - Truth 3.2: Simpler valuation models do much better than complex ones.

## **Approaches to Valuation**

- Intrinsic valuation, relates the value of an asset to the present value of expected future cashflows on that asset. In its most common form, this takes the form of a discounted cash flow valuation.
- Relative valuation or Pricing, estimates the value of an asset by looking at the pricing of 'comparable' assets relative to a common variable like earnings, cash flows, book value or sales.
- Contingent claim valuation, uses option pricing models to measure the value of assets that share option characteristics.

## **Discounted Cash Flow Valuation**

- What is it: In discounted cash flow valuation, the value of an asset is the present value of the expected cash flows on the asset.
- Philosophical Basis: Every asset has an intrinsic value that can be estimated, based upon its characteristics in terms of cash flows, growth and risk.
- Information Needed: To use discounted cash flow valuation, you need
  - to estimate the life of the asset
  - to estimate the cash flows during the life of the asset
  - to estimate the discount rate to apply to these cash flows to get present value
- Market Inefficiency: Markets are assumed to make mistakes in pricing assets across time, and are assumed to correct themselves over time, as new information comes out about assets.

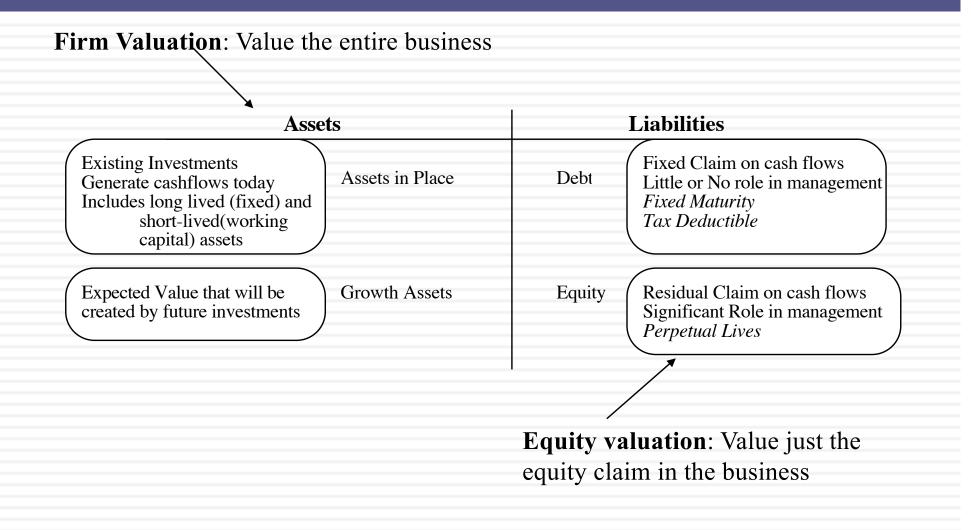
### Risk Adjusted Value: Three Basic Propositions

The value of a risky asset can be estimated by discounting the expected cash flows on the asset over its life at a risk-adjusted discount rate:

Value of asset =  $\frac{E(CF_1)}{(1+r)} + \frac{E(CF_2)}{(1+r)^2} + \frac{E(CF_3)}{(1+r)^3} \dots + \frac{E(CF_n)}{(1+r)^n}$ 

- 1. The IT Proposition: If "it" does not affect the cash flows or alter risk (thus changing discount rates), "it" cannot affect value.
- 2. The DUH Proposition: For an asset to have value, the expected cash flows have to be positive some time over the life of the asset.
- 3. The DON'T FREAK OUT Proposition: Assets that generate cash flows early in their life will be worth more than assets that generate cash flows later; the latter may however have greater growth and higher cash flows to compensate.

## DCF Choices: Equity Valuation versus Firm Valuation



## The Drivers of Value...

Value of growth
The future cash flows will reflect expectations of how quickly earnings will grow in the future (as a positive) and how much the
company will have to reinvest to generate that growth (as a negative). The net effect will determine the value of growth. The
expected cash flow is computed as net of taxes and reinvestment:

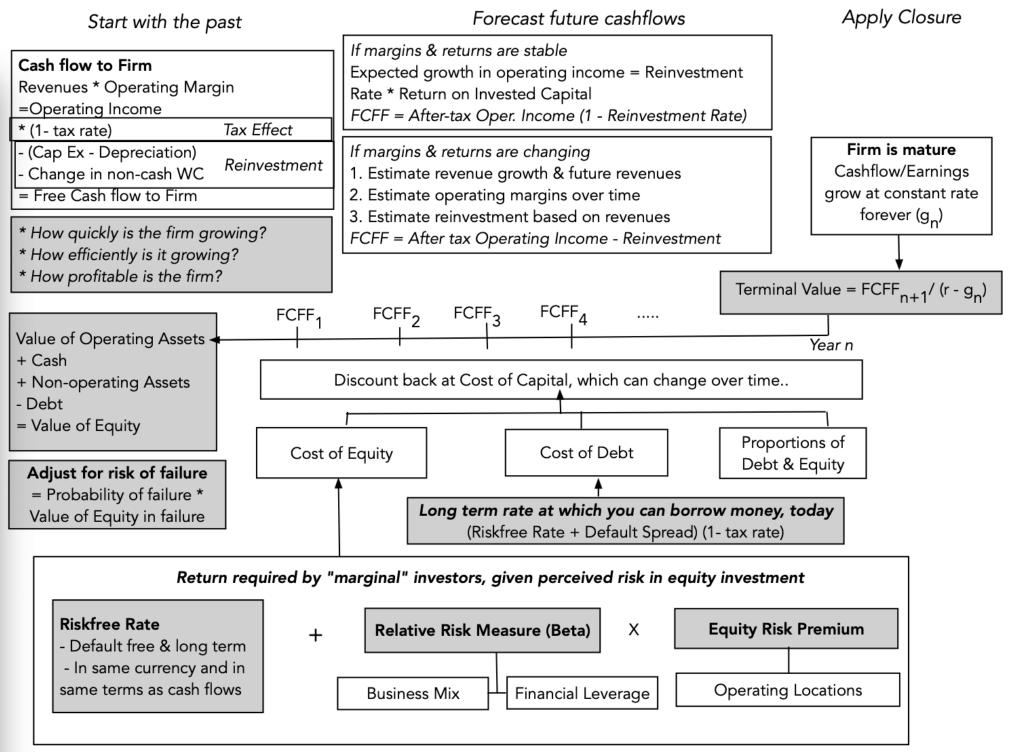
Expected Cash Flow = E(CF<sub>n</sub>) = Expected After-tax Operating Income in year n - Reinvestment in year n

Cash flows from existing assetsThe base earnings will reflect the earnings power of the existing assets of the firm, net of taxes and any reinvestment needed to sustain the base earnings.Value of Business = $\frac{E(CF_1)}{(1+r)} + \frac{E(CF_2)}{(1+r)^2}$	$+ \frac{E(CF_3)}{(1+r)^3} \dots + \frac{Terminal \ Value_n}{(1+r)^n} \qquad \qquad$
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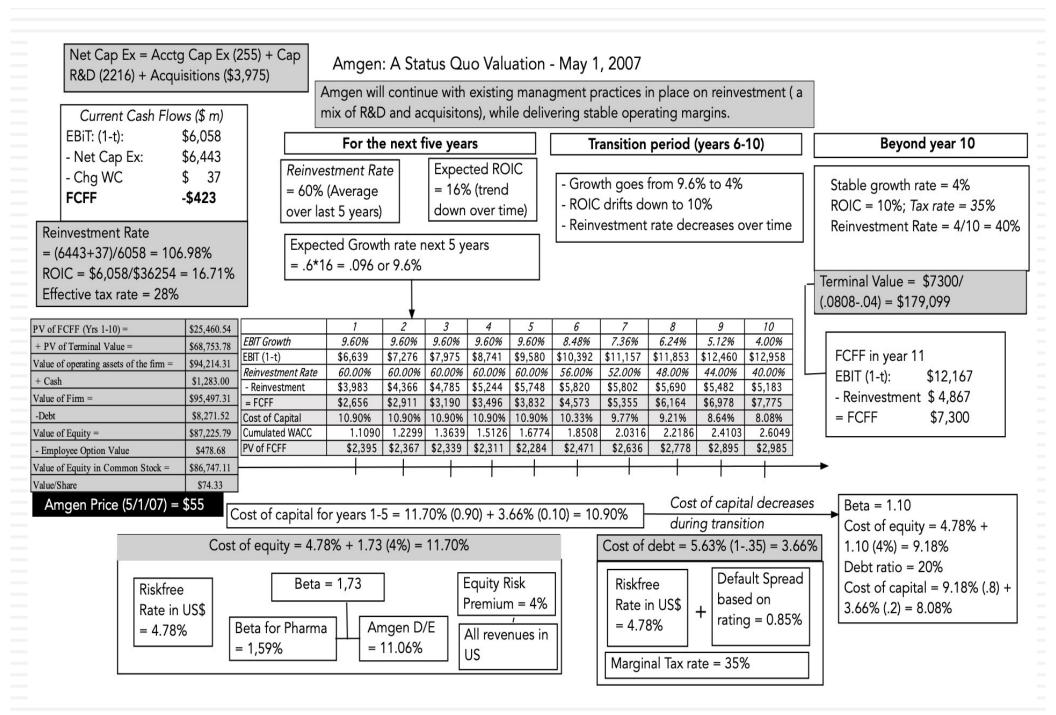
#### Cost of Capital

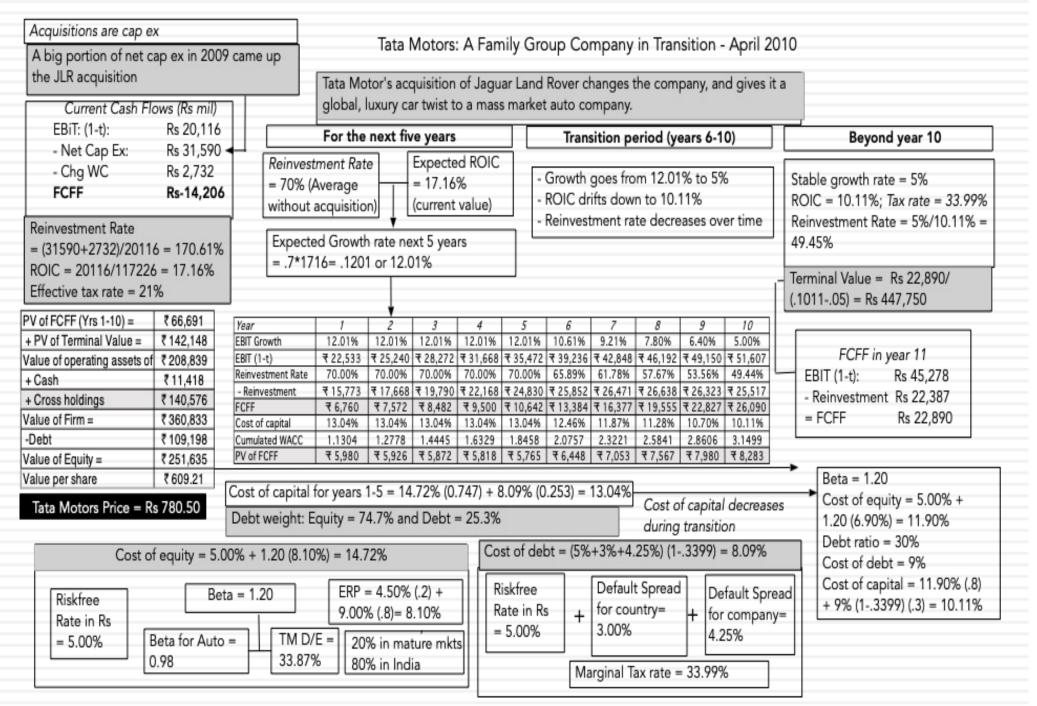
The cost of capital can be affected by the tax code, if it tilts towards debt over equity or vice versa. In much of the world, debt creates a tax benefit, because interest is tax deductible and the tax savings are at the margin (at the marginal tax rate). Risk adjusted Discount Rate = r = Cost of capital = Cost of Equity (Equity/(Debt+Equity) + Cost of Debt (1-t) (Debt/(Debt+Equity))

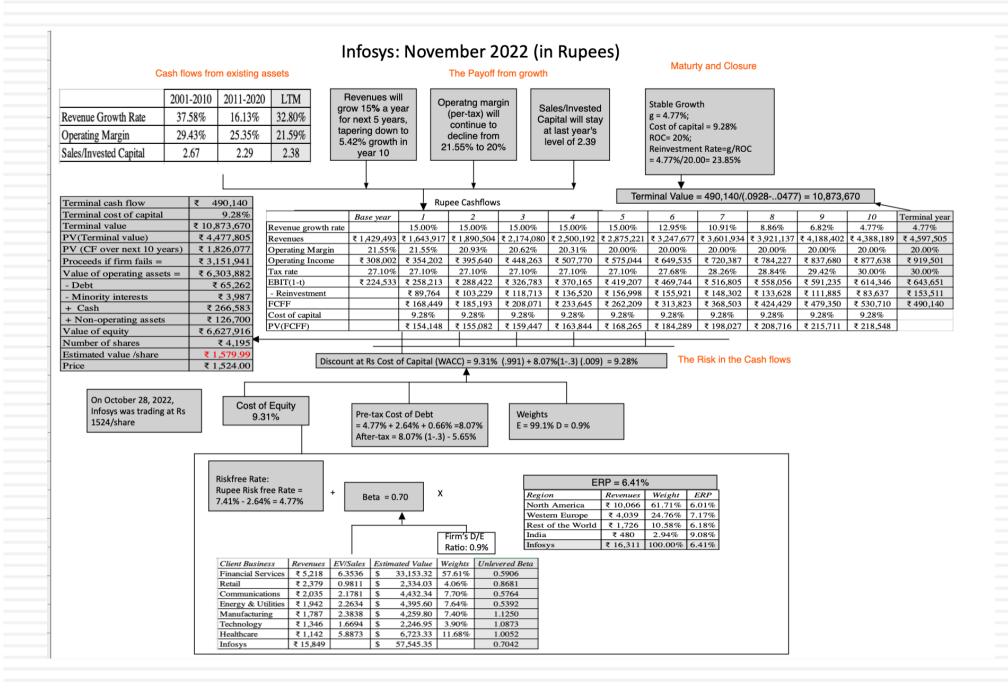
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Adjust for operating risk in cashflows



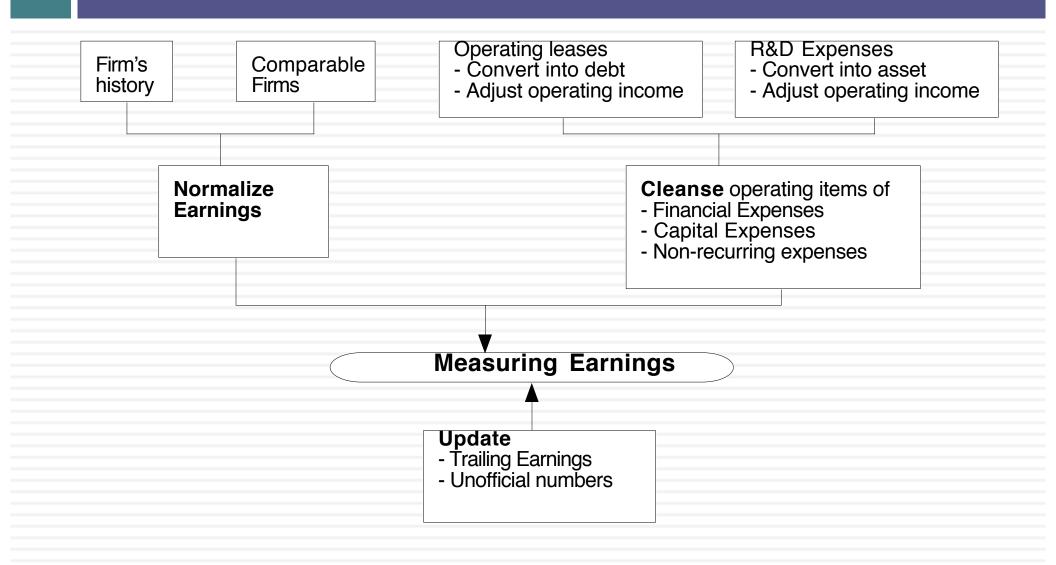




## I. The Nuts and Bolts of D & CF

The details matter, but never as much as you think they do...

## I. Measure earnings right..



## Operating Leases at Amgen in 2007

Amgen has lease commitments and its cost of debt (based on it's A rating) is 5.63%.

Year	Commitment	Present Value
1	\$96.00	\$90.88
2	\$95.00	\$85.14
3	\$102.00	\$86.54
4	\$98.00	\$78.72
5	\$87.00	\$66.16
6-12	\$107.43	\$462.10 (\$752 million prorated)

- □ Debt Value of leases = \$869.55
- Debt outstanding at Amgen = \$7,402 + \$870 = \$8,272 million
- Adjusted Operating Income = Stated OI + Lease expense this year Depreciation

= 5,071 m + 69 m - 870/12 = \$5,068 million (12-year life for assets)

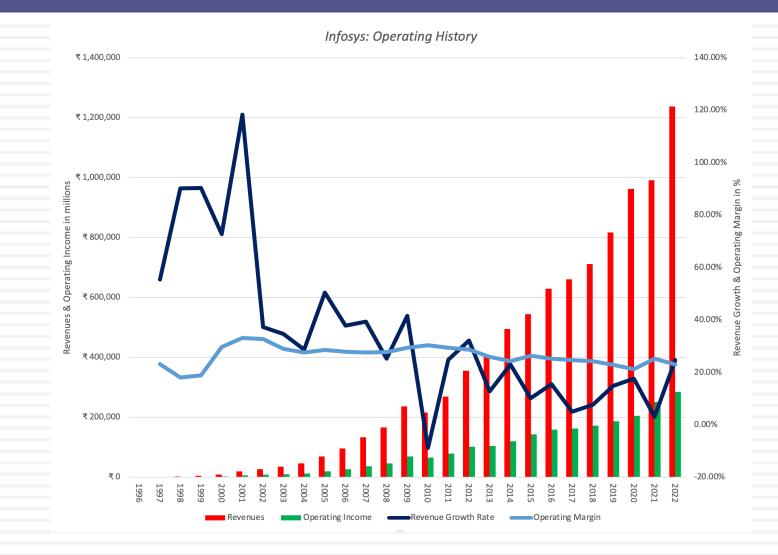
## Capitalizing R&D Expenses: Amgen

#### **R** & D was assumed to have a 10-year life.

Year	R&D Expense	Unamortia	zed portion	Amortization this year	
Current	3366.00	1.00	3366.00		
-1	2314.00	0.90	2082.60	\$231.40	
-2	2028.00	0.80	1622.40	\$202.80	
-3	1655.00	0.70	1158.50	\$165.50	
-4	1117.00	0.60	670.20	\$111.70	
-5	865.00	0.50	432.50	\$86.50	
-6	845.00	0.40	338.00	\$84.50	
-7	823.00	0.30	246.90	\$82.30	
-8	663.00	0.20	132.60	\$66.30	
-9	631.00	0.10	63.10	\$63.10	
-10	558.00		0.00	\$55.80	
Value of Research Asset & Current Amortization =			\$10,113	\$1,150	
Adjusted Operating Income - \$5,120 + 3,366 - 1,150 - \$7,336 million					

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## **Infosys: Operating History**



II. Get the big picture (not the accounting one) when it comes to cap ex and working capital

### Capital expenditures should include

- Research and development expenses, once they have been recategorized as capital expenses.
- Acquisitions of other firms, whether paid for with cash or stock.
- Working capital should be defined not as the difference between current assets and current liabilities but as the difference between non-cash current assets and nondebt current liabilities.
- On both items, start with what the company did in the most recent year but do look at the company's history and at industry averages.

## Amgen's Net Capital Expenditures

□ The accounting net cap ex at Amgen is small:

- Accounting Capital Expenditures =
- Accounting Depreciation =
- Accounting Net Cap Ex =
- We define capital expenditures broadly to include R&D and acquisitions:
  - Accounting Net Cap Ex =
  - Net R&D Cap Ex = (3366-1150) =
  - Acquisitions in 2006 =

Total Net Capital Expenditures =

\$ 255 million
\$2,216 million
\$3,975 million
\$ 6,443 million

\$1,218 million

\$ 963 million

\$ 255 million

 Acquisitions have been a volatile item. Amgen was quiet on the acquisition front in 2004 and 2005 and had a significant acquisition in 2003.

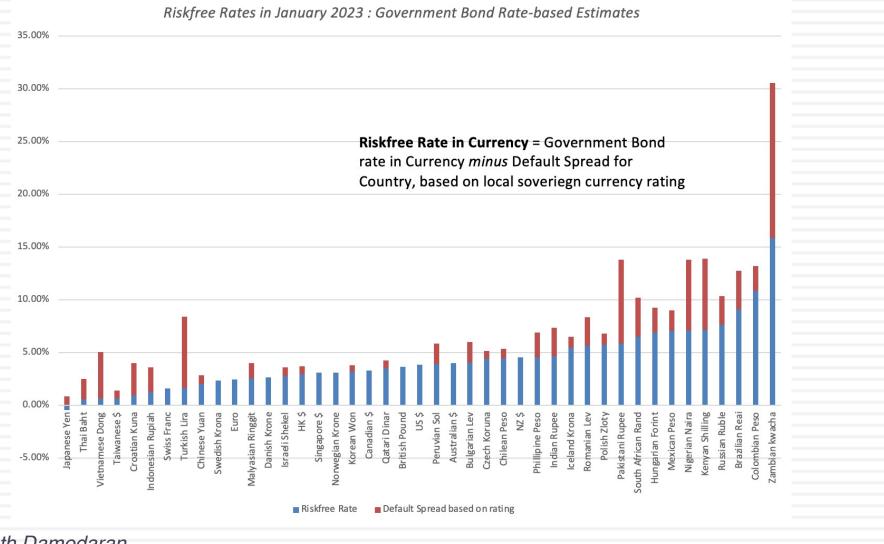
## III. The government bond rate is not always the riskfree rate

- When valuing Amgen in US dollars, the US\$ ten-year bond rate of 4.78% was used as the risk free rate. We assumed that the US treasury was default free.
- When valuing Tata Motors in Indian rupees in 2010, the Indian government bond rate of 8% was not default free. Using the Indian government's local currency rating of Ba2 yielded a default spread of 3% for India and a riskfree rate of 5% in Indian rupees.

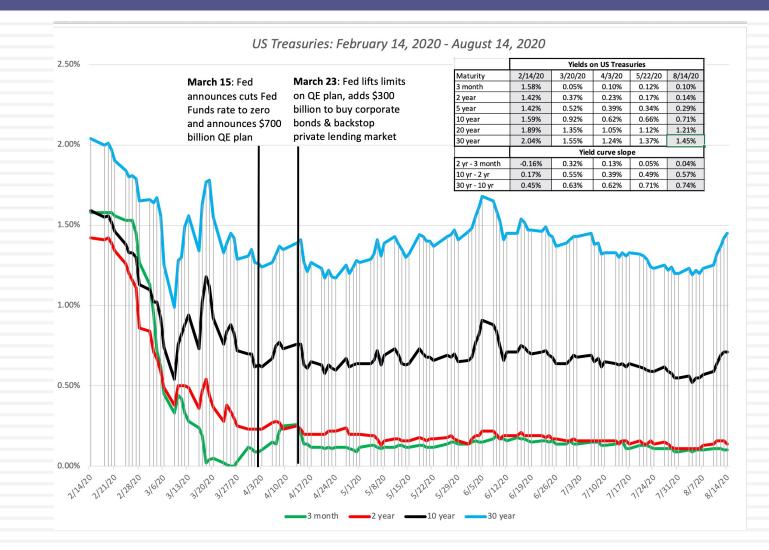
Risk free rate in Indian Rupees = 8% - 3% = 5%

- To value Infosys in March 2022, you need a risk free rate in Rupees at the time. The Indian government bond rate on October 28, 2022, was 7.41%. The Indian government was rated Ba3 on that day with a default spread of 2.64% associated with it. The risk free rate in the Indian rupees on March 31, 2018:
  - Risk free Rate in Rupees = 7.41% 2.64% = 4.77%

### Risk free rates will vary across currencies!



### And across time...



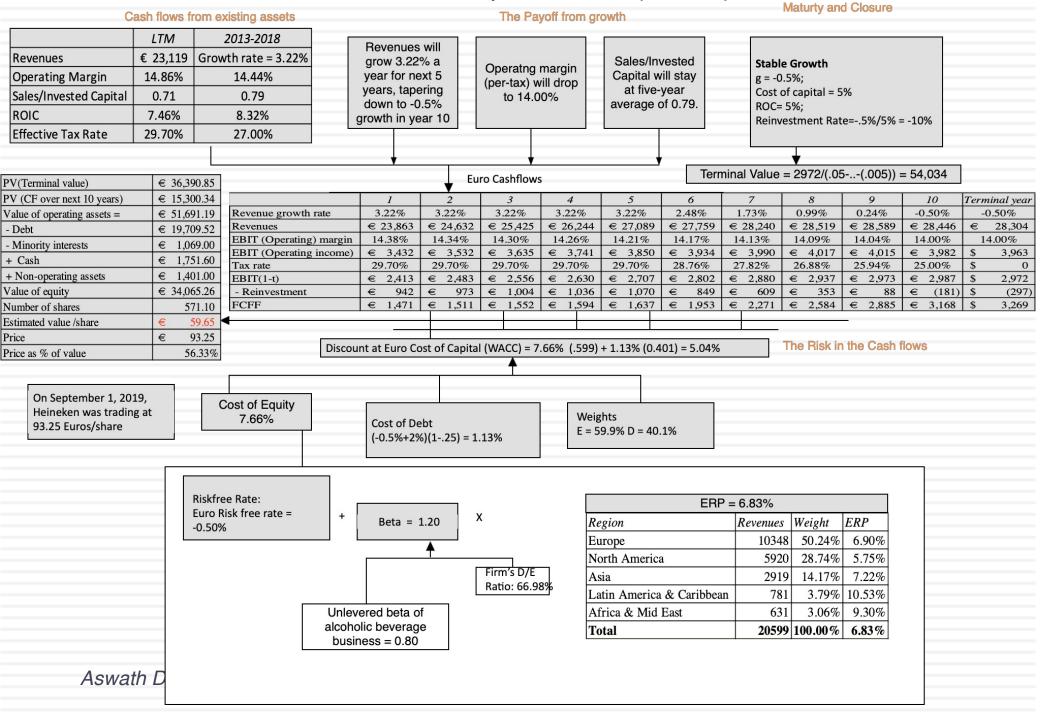
## Risk free Rates in Currencies without a Government Bond Rate

- There are no traded long term Government bonds in some currencies. Hence, you have to improvise.
- One simple technique is to use differential inflation and the US dollar risk free rate. Using this technique on the Egyptian pound, here is what you get:
  - Risk free rate in US dollars on 12/31/15 = 2.27%
  - Expected inflation rate in the US = 1.50%
  - Expected inflation rate in Egypt = 9.70% (last year's estimate)
  - Risk free rate in EGP = (1.0227) \* (1.097/1.015) -1 = 10.53%
- This is also a good way to check government bond rates that you do not trust. For instance, the Venezuelan government bond rate of 19% on January 1, 2019, is pure fiction, since no rational person would have bought the bonds with the interest rate (given that inflation was in >5000%).

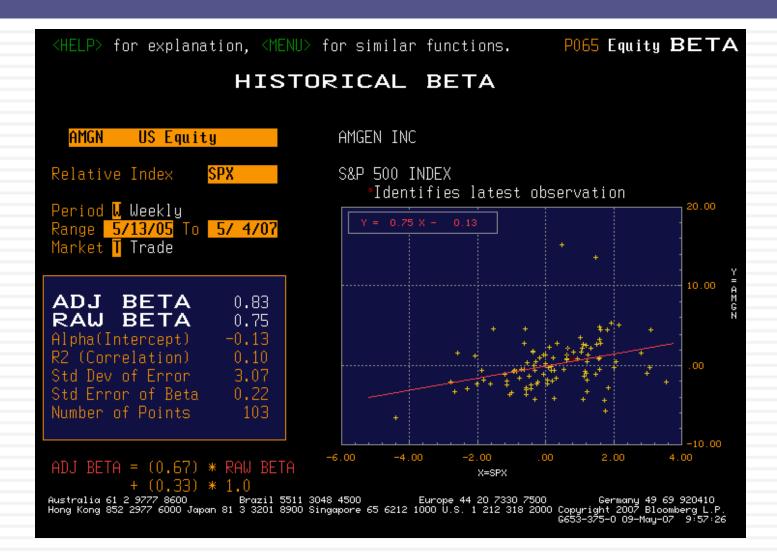
# But valuations should not! Infosys Valuation in 2018

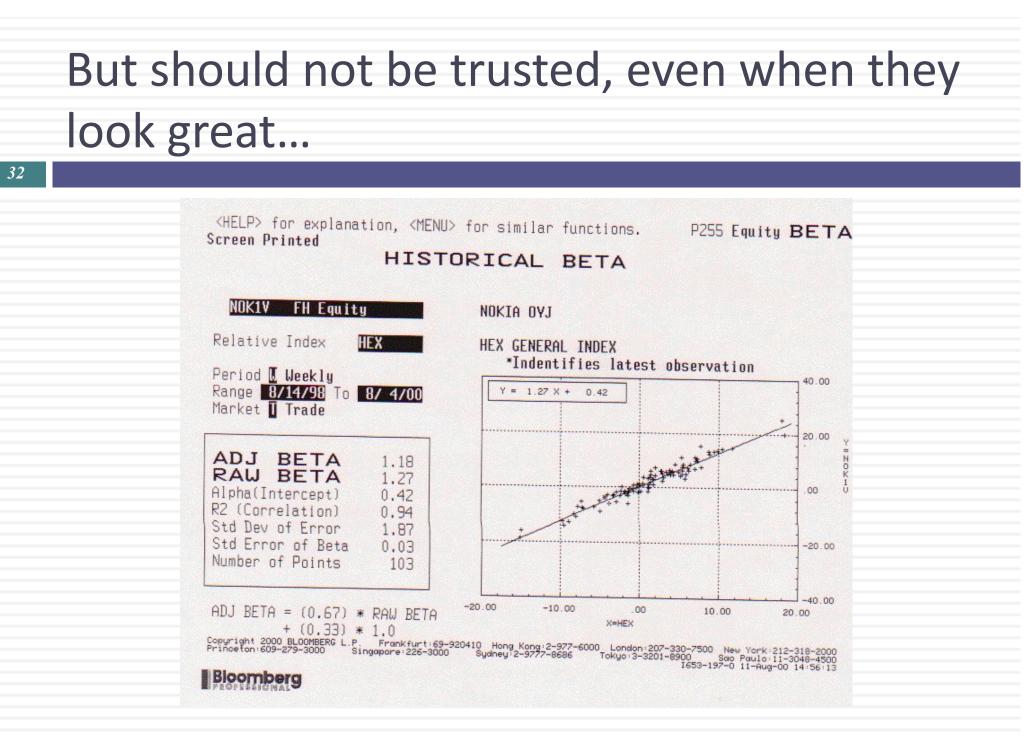
	In Rupees	In Dollars	
Risk free Rate	5.38%	2.85%	
Expected growth rate	10.00% for next 5 years, scaling down to 5.38% in year 10 (and forever)	7.37% for next 5 years, scaling down to 2.85% in year 10 (and forever)	
Return on Capital	Marginal ROIC of 39.70%, scaling down to 15% forever	Marginal ROIC of 37.68%, scaling down to 12.36% forever.	
Cost of capital	11.02% for next 5 years, scaling down to 9.88% in year 10 (and beyond)	8.36% for next 5 years, scaling down to 7.23% in year 10 (and beyond)	
Value per share	Rs 1072.22 per share about 7% below stock price of Rs 1,150/share	\$16.86 per share about 7% below stock price of \$18.02/share	
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#### Heineken: September 2019 (in Euros)

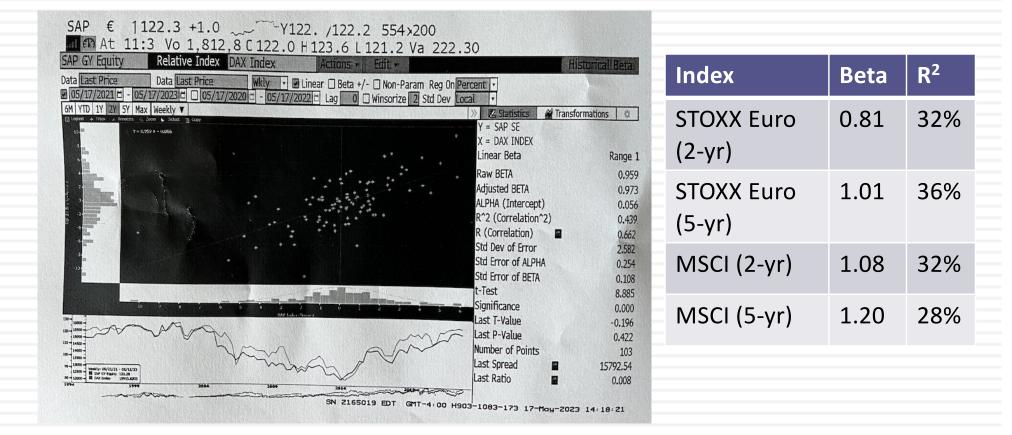


## IV. Betas do not come from regressions... and are noisy...

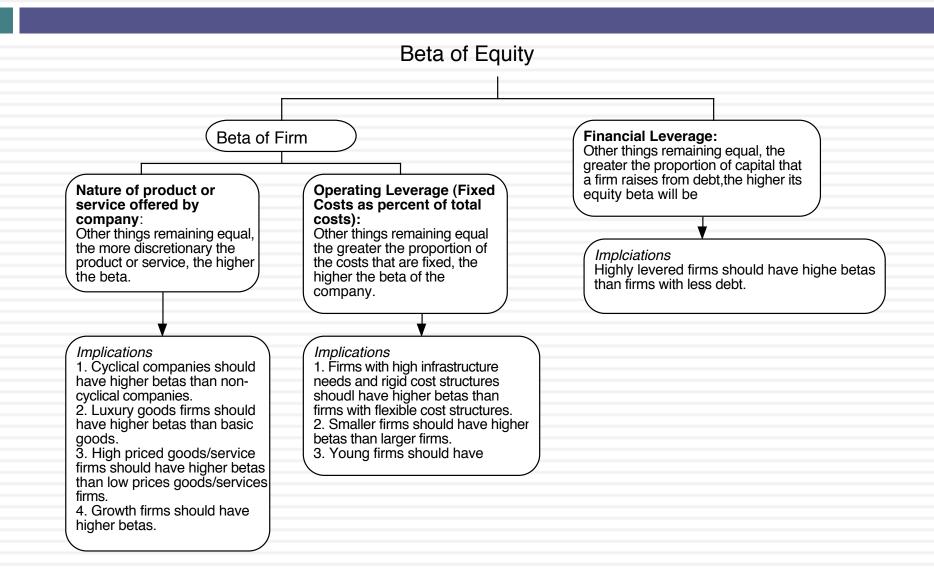


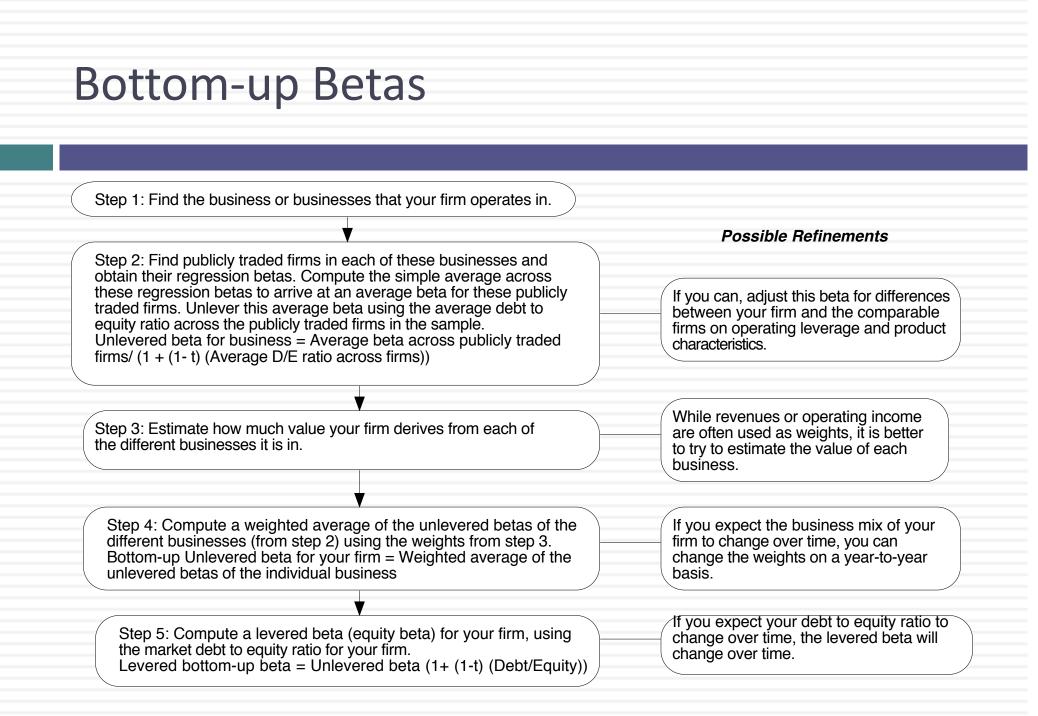


### And subject to game playing...



## **Determinants of Betas**





### Three examples...

#### Amgen

- The unlevered beta for pharmaceutical firms is 1.59. Using Amgen's debt to equity ratio of 11%, the bottom up beta for Amgen is
- Bottom-up Beta = 1.59 (1+ (1-.35)(.11)) = 1.73
- Tata Motors
  - The unlevered beta for automobile firms is 0.98. Using Tata Motor's debt to equity ratio of 33.87%, the bottom up beta for Tata Motors is
  - Bottom-up Beta = 0.98 (1+ (1-.3399)(.3387)) = 1.20

#### Infosys in 2022 (Client-based)

Client Business	Revenues	EV/Sales	Esti	mated Value	Weights	Unlevered Beta
Financial Services	₹ 5,218	6.3536	\$	33,153.32	57.61%	0.5906
Retail	₹2,379	0.9811	\$	2,334.03	4.06%	0.8681
Communications	₹ 2,035	2.1781	\$	4,432.34	7.70%	0.5764
Energy & Utilities	₹1,942	2.2634	\$	4,395.60	7.64%	0.5392
Manufacturing	₹1,787	2.3838	\$	4,259.80	7.40%	1.1250
Technology	₹1,346	1.6694	\$	2,246.95	3.90%	1.0873
Healthcare	₹1,142	5.8873	\$	6,723.33	11.68%	1.0052
Infosys	₹ 15,849		\$	57,545.35		0.7042

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Levered Beta = = 0.70 (1 + (1 - .30)(0.009)) = 10.72

# V. And the past is not always a good indicator of the future.

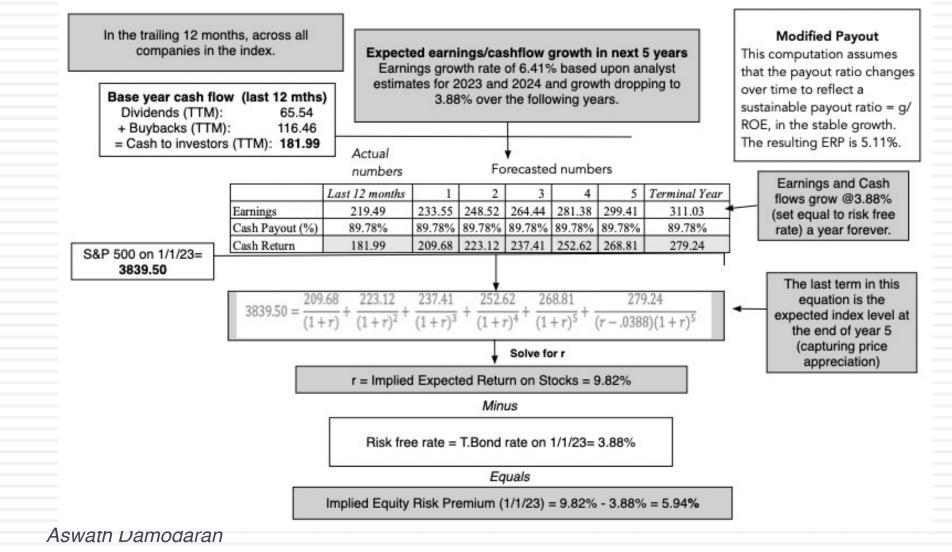
	Arithmet	tic Average	Geometric Average			
	Stocks - T. Bills	Stocks - T. Bonds	Stocks - T. Bills	Stocks - T. Bonds		
1928-2022	8.17%	6.64%	6.34%	5.06%		
Std Error	2.05%	2.15%				
1973-2022	7.30%	5.14%	5.87%	4.12%		
Std Error	2.51%	2.75%				
2013-2022	12.64%	13.08%	11.50%	12.32%		
Std Error	5.50%	4.81%				

If you are going to use a historical risk premium, make it

- Long term (because of the standard error)
- Consistent with your risk free rate
- A "compounded" average
- No matter which estimate you use, recognize that it is backward looking, is noisy and may reflect selection bias

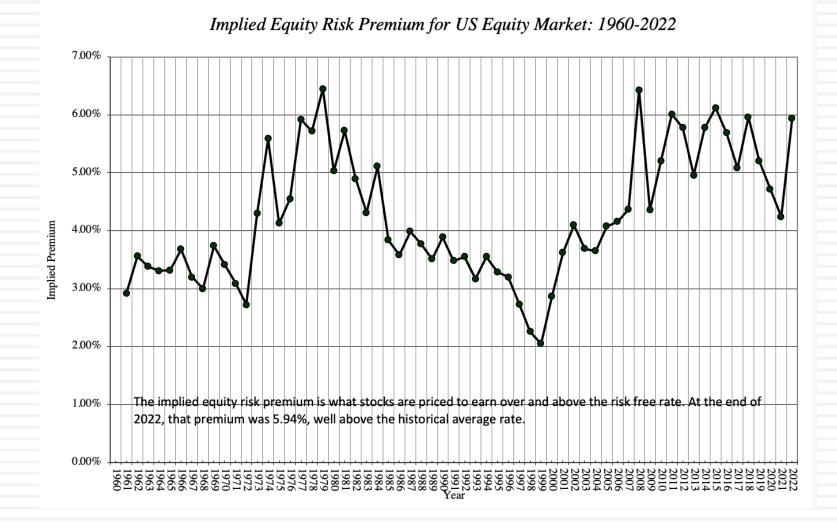
#### But in the future..

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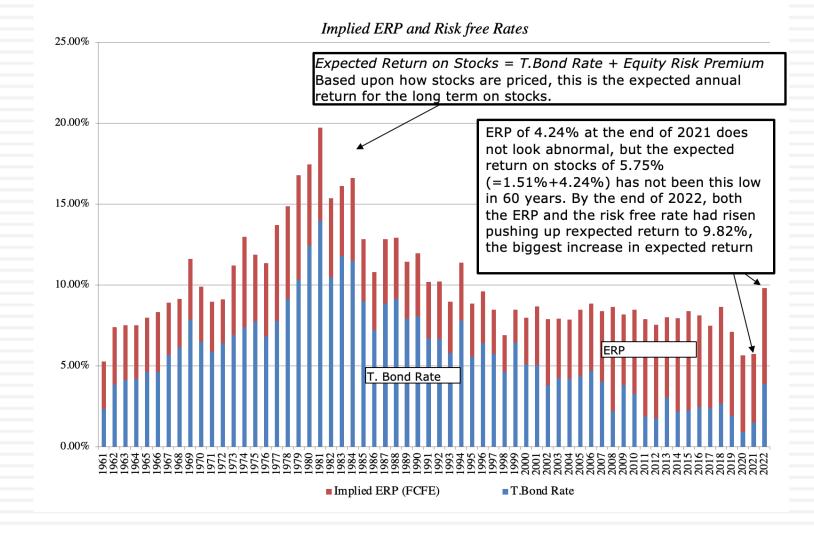


#### Implied ERP for the S&P 500: History

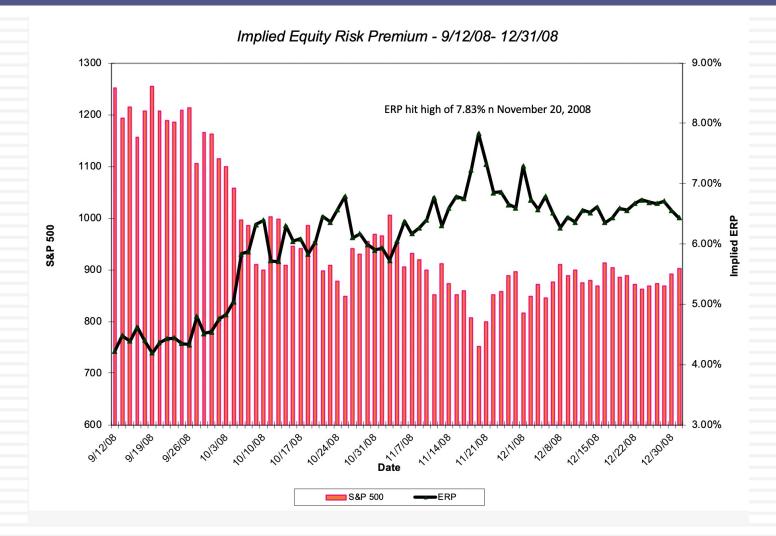
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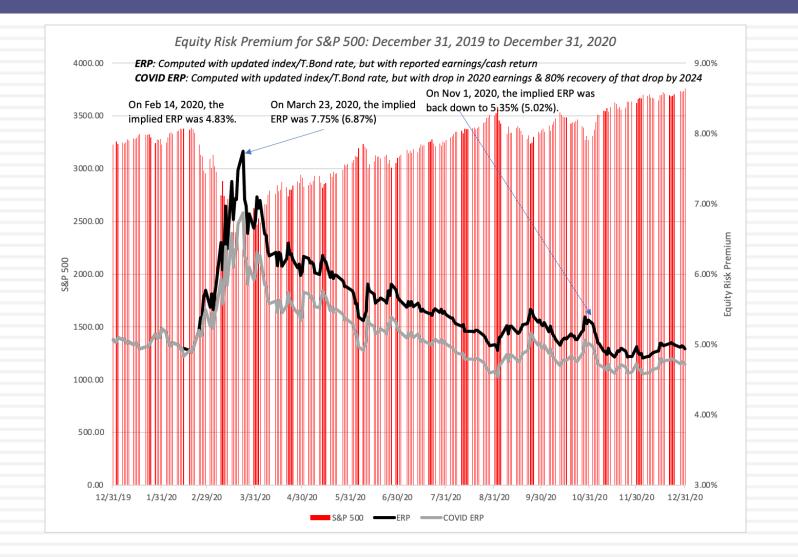
#### Another Perspective on US stocks



#### The Price of Risk: The 2008 Crisis



#### The Price of Risk: The COVID crisis



#### Implied Premium for India using the Sensex: April 2010

- $\Box$  Level of the Index = 17559
- FCFE on the Index = 3.5% (Estimated FCFE for companies in index as % of market value of equity)
- Other parameters
  - Riskfree Rate = 5% (Rupee)
  - Expected Growth (in Rupee)
    - Next 5 years = 20% (Used expected growth rate in Earnings)
    - After year 5 = 5%
- Solving for the expected return:
  - Expected return on Equity = 11.72%
  - Implied Equity premium for India =11.72% 5% = 6.72%

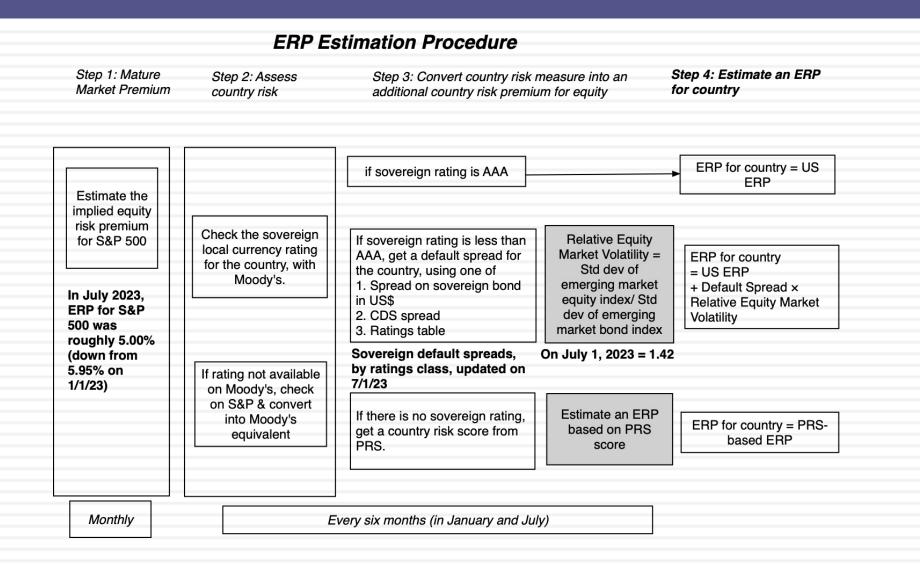
### **Global Equities?**

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Start of	PBV	PBV	ROE	ROE	US T.Bond	Growth Rate	Rate		Cost of Equity	
year	(Developed)	(Emerging)	(Developed)	(Emerging)	Rate	(Developed)	(Emerging)	(Developed)	(Emerging)	Differential
2004	2.00	1.19	10.81%	11.65%	4.25%	3.75%	4.75%	7.28%	10.55%	3.27%
2005	2.09	1.27	11.12%	11.93%	4.22%	3.72%	4.72%	7.26%	10.40%	3.14%
2006	2.03	1.44	11.32%	12.18%	4.39%	3.89%	4.89%	7.55%	9.95%	2.40%
2007	1.67	1.67	10.87%	12.88%	4.70%	4.20%	5.20%	8.19%	9.80%	1.60%
2008	0.87	0.83	9.42%	11.12%	4.02%	3.52%	4.52%	10.30%	12.47%	2.17%
2009	1.20	1.34	8.48%	11.02%	2.21%	1.71%	2.71%	7.35%	8.91%	1.56%
2010	1.39	1.43	9.14%	11.22%	3.84%	3.34%	4.34%	7.51%	9.15%	1.64%
2011	1.12	1.08	9.21%	10.04%	3.29%	2.79%	3.79%	8.52%	9.58%	1.05%
2012	1.17	1.18	9.10%	9.33%	1.88%	1.38%	2.38%	7.98%	8.27%	0.29%
2013	1.56	1.63	8.67%	10.48%	1.76%	1.26%	2.26%	6.01%	7.30%	1.29%
2014	1.95	1.50	9.27%	9.64%	3.04%	2.54%	3.54%	5.99%	7.61%	1.62%
2015	1.88	1.56	9.69%	9.75%	2.17%	1.67%	2.67%	5.94%	7.21%	1.27%
2016	1.99	1.59	9.24%	10.16%	2.27%	1.77%	2.77%	5.52%	7.42%	1.89%
2017	1.76	1.48	8.71%	9.53%	2.68%	2.18%	3.18%	5.89%	7.47%	1.58%
2018	1.98	1.66	11.23%	11.36%	2.68%	2.18%	3.18%	6.75%	8.11%	1.36%
2019	1.64	1.31	12.09%	11.35%	2.68%	2.18%	3.18%	8.22%	9.42%	1.19%
2020	2.26	1.64	10.41%	9.10%	1.92%	1.42%	2.42%	5.40%	6.49%	1.10%
2021	2.21	1.77	6.30%	7.31%	0.93%	0.43%	1.43%	3.09%	4.75%	1.67%
2022	2.31	1.67	13.22%	11.99%	1.51%	1.01%	2.01%	6.30%	7.99%	1.69%
2023	2.28	1.44	12.90%	10.93%	3.88%	3.38%	4.38%	7.56%	8.93%	1.37%

#### VI. There is a downside to globalization...

- Emerging markets offer growth opportunities but they are also riskier. If we want to count the growth, we have to also consider the risk.
- Two ways of estimating the country risk premium:
  - Sovereign Default Spread: In this approach, the country equity risk premium is set equal to the default spread of the bond issued by the country.
    - Equity Risk Premium for mature market = 6.00%
    - Default Spread for India = 200% (based on rating)
    - Equity Risk Premium for India = 6.00% + 2.00% = 8.00%
  - Adjusted for equity risk: The country equity risk premium is based upon the volatility of the equity market relative to the government bond rate.
    - Country risk premium = Default Spread\* Std Deviation<sub>Country Equity</sub> / Std Deviation<sub>Country Bond</sub>
    - Standard Deviation in Sensex = 21%
    - Standard Deviation in Indian government bond= 14%
    - Default spread on Indian Bond= 2%
    - Additional country risk premium for India = 2% (21/14) = 3.00%
    - Total equity risk premium = US equity risk premium + CRP for India
      - = 6.00% + 3.00% = 9.00%

#### A Template for Estimating the ERP



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	orus			Bal	1 3.80%		Luxembourg		Aaa		_
	nmark			Aa	a 0.00%		~		A2	1.28	_
Fin	land			Aa	0.61%	5.61%	Netherlands		Aaa	0.00	%
	nce			Aaí	2 0.75%	5.75%	Norway		Aaa	0.00	%
Get	many			Aa			Portugal		Baa	2.89	%
Gre	ece			Ba	3 5.46%	10.46%	Spain		Baal	2.43	%
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Brazil		Ba2	4.57%	_	9.57%		Kenya	B	_	.86%	14.
Chile		A2	1.28%	-	6.28%		Mali	Ca	_	3.66%	18.
Colombia		Baa2	2.89%	-	7.89%		Mauritius	Ba	_	.33%	8.
Costa Rica		B2	8.35%	_	13.35%		Morocco	Ba	_	.80%	8.
Ecuador		Caa3	15.18%	_	20.18%		Mozambique	Ca	_	3.66%	18.
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	Niger	B	-		86%	-	4.86%	
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	Senegal	Ba	_		46%	_	0.46%	
	South Africa	Ba			57%	-	9.57%	
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	Tanzania	B			35%	-	3.35%	
	Togo	B	_		86%	14.86%		
	Tunisia	Ca	_	-	.66%	_	8.66%	
	Uganda	B	_		35%	_	3.35%	
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	Azerbaijan	Bal	3.80%	8.80%	
	Belarus	С	24.82%	29.82%	
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	Latvia	A3	1.82%	6.82%	
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	Romania	Baa3	3.33%	8.33%	
	Russia	Ca	18.21%	23.21%	
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	Iraq	Caa1	11.38%		_
	Israel	A1	1.07%	6.07%	_
	Jordan	B1	6.83%	11.83%	-
	Kuwait	A1	1.07%	6.07%	
	Lebanon	С	24.82%		-
	Oman	Ba2	4.57%	9.57%	_
	Qatar	Aa3	0.91%	5.91%	-
	Ras Al Khaimah (Emirate		1.82%	6.82%	-
	Saudi Arabia	A1	1.07%	6.07%	-
	Sharjah	Bal	3.80%	8.80%	-
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Frontier (unrated) Countries								
Algeria		68	.75	5.40		10.4	5%	
Brunei		81	.75	0.9	1%	5.91	%	
Gambia			6	8.3		13.3		
Guinea			7.5	13.6		18.6		
Guinea-Bissau	-		4.5	8.3		13.3		
Guyana	-+		5	2.43		7.43		
Haiti	-+		4.5	18.2		23.2	_	
Iran	-+		.75	9.8		14.8		
Korea, D.P.R. Liberia	-+		1.25	18.2		23.2		
Liberia	-+		.25			20.1		
Madagascar	-+		.75			14.8		
Malawi	-+		.75			23.2		
Myanmar	-+		6	15.1		20.1		
Sierra Leone	-+		3	18.2		23.2		
Somalia			1.5	18.2		23.2		
Sudan			3	24.8		29.8		
Syria			.75	24.8	2%	29.8	2%	
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Zimbabwe		61	.25	11.3	8%	16.3	8%	
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Bangladesh		B		6.83%	_	1.83%		
Cambodia		B		8.35%		3.35%		
China		A		1.07%	_	5.07%		
Fiji		B	-	6.83%	_	1.83%	_	
Hong Kong		A	-	0.91%	_	5.91%		
India		Ba		3.33%		8.33%		
Indonesia		Ba	a2	2.89%	_	7.89%	_	
Japan		A		1.07%		5.07%		
Korea		A	-	0.75%	_	5.75%		
Laos		Ca	a3	15.18%	_	0.18%		
Macao		Aa	13	0.91%		5.91%	_	
Malaysia		Α	-	1.82%		5.82%		
Maldives		Ca	<b>a1</b>	11.38%	6 10	5.38%		
Mongolia		B	_	9.86%	14	4.86%		
Pakistan		Ca	<b>a</b> 3	15.18%	_	0.18%		
Papua New Gui	inea	B	_	8.35%	_	3.35%		
Philippines		Ba		2.89%		7.89%		
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Taiwan		A	13	0.91%	5	5.91%		
Thailand		Ba	<b>a1</b>	2.43%	_	7.43%	_	
Vietnam		Ba	12	4.57%		9.57%	_	
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Australia	Aaa	0.00%	5.00%
Cook Islands	<b>B2</b>	8.35%	13.35%
New Zealand	Aaa	0.00%	5.00%
Aus & NZ		0.00%	5.00%

Blue: Moody's Rating Red: Added Country Risk Green #: Total ERP

## VII. And it is not just emerging market companies that are exposed to this risk..

- The "default" approach in valuation has been to assign country risk based upon your country of incorporation. Thus, if you are incorporated in a developed market, the assumption has been that you are not exposed to emerging market risks. If you are incorporated in an emerging market, you are saddled with the entire country risk.
- As companies globalize and look for revenues in foreign markets, this practice will under estimate the costs of equity of developed market companies with significant emerging market risk exposure and over estimate the costs of equity of emerging market companies with significant developed market risk exposure.

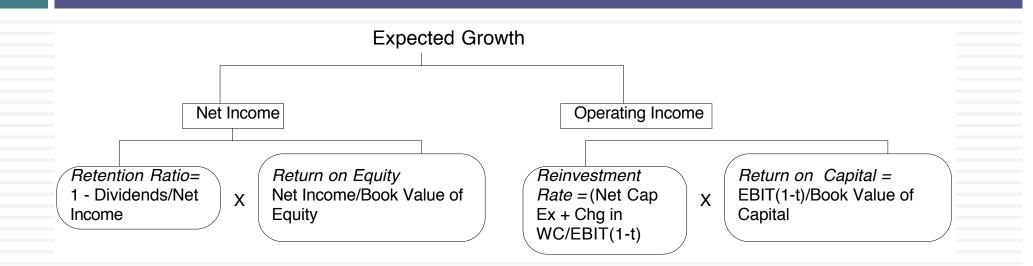
### Infosy: Equity Risk Premium in 2022

Region	Revenues	Weight	ERP
North America	₹ 10,066	61.71%	6.01%
Western Europe	₹ 4,039	24.76%	7.17%
Rest of the World	₹ 1,726	10.58%	6.18%
India	₹ 480	2.94%	9.08%
Infosys	₹ 16,311	100.00%	6.41%

#### Natural Resource Twists? Royal Dutch

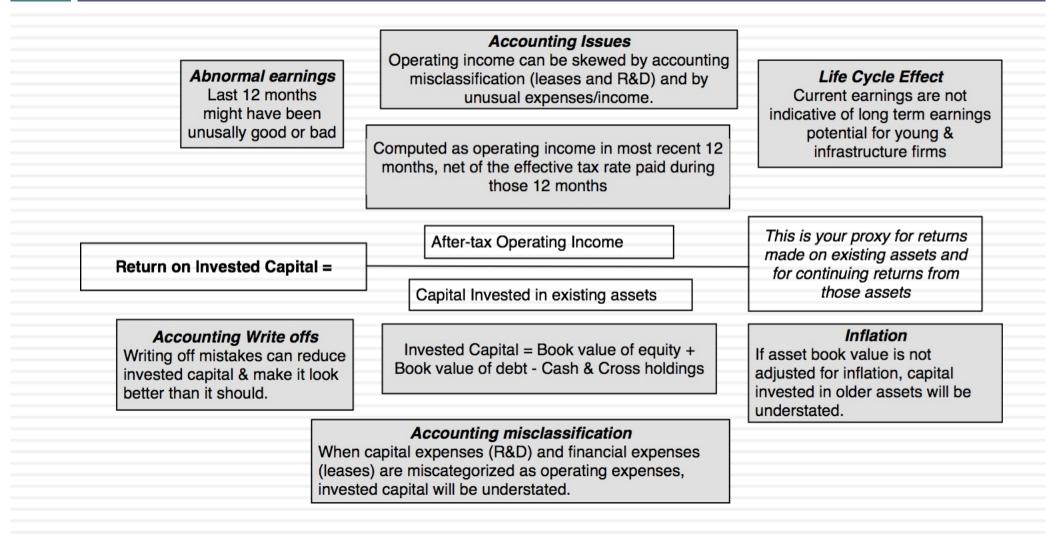
Country	Oil & Gas Production	% of Total	ERP
Denmark	17396	3.83%	6.20%
Italy	11179	2.46%	9.14%
Norway	14337	3.16%	6.20%
UK	20762	4.57%	6.81%
Rest of Europe	874	0.19%	7.40%
Brunei	823	0.18%	9.04%
Iraq	20009	4.40%	11.37%
Malaysia	22980	5.06%	8.05%
Oman	78404	17.26%	7.29%
Russia	22016	4.85%	10.06%
Rest of Asia & ME	24480	5.39%	7.74%
Oceania	7858	1.73%	6.20%
Gabon	12472	2.75%	11.76%
Nigeria	67832	14.93%	11.76%
Rest of Africa	6159	1.36%	12.17%
USA	104263	22.95%	6.20%
Canada	8599	1.89%	6.20%
Brazil	13307	2.93%	9.60%
Rest of Latin America	576	0.13%	10.78%
Royal Dutch Shell	454326	100.00%	8.26%

## VIII. Growth has to be earned (not endowed or estimated): Sustainable Growth

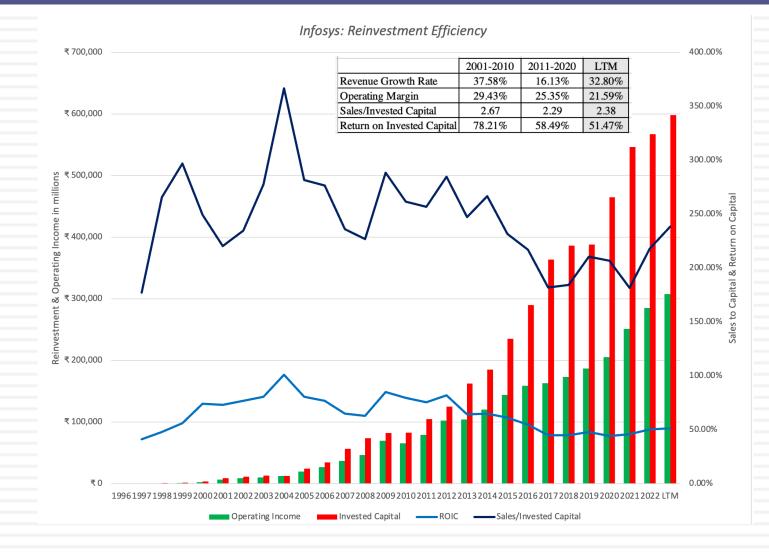


- 1. <u>No free growth</u>: In the long term, to grow, you have to reinvest.
- 2. <u>Growth Quality</u>: For a given reinvestment, the higher the return you generate on your reinvestment, the faster you can grow.
- 3. <u>Scaling up is hard to do:</u> As companies get larger, it gets more difficult to sustain value-adding growth.

#### Measuring Returns: The Quandary



## Reinvestment & Return on Capital – Infosys History



## Earn at least your cost of capital! But companies seem to have trouble in practice

		Me	dian Value		Ме	dian Value			% with ROIC	% with ROIC less
				% with ROE>COE			% with ROC>WACC	% with ROIC <wacc< td=""><td>greater than</td><td>than WACC by</td></wacc<>	greater than	than WACC by
Sub Group	count	ROE	Cost of Equity		ROIC	Cost of Capital			WACC by >5%	>5%
Africa and Middle East	1,836	8.14%	13.93%	33.22%	5.81%	11.70%	29.96%	70.04%	20.00%	47.01%
Australia & NZ	1,747	-9.04%	10.51%	22.36%	-5.36%	10.43%	25.72%	74.28%	18.88%	41.88%
Canada	2,722	-12.09%	10.54%	17.13%	-7.99%	10.44%	19.96%	80.04%	14.54%	41.19%
China	6,955	7.15%	12.14%	27.96%	4.64%	11.00%	27.25%	72.75%	17.32%	43.20%
EU & Environs	5,243	8.46%	12.11%	36.99%	6.66%	10.66%	37.74%	62.26%	27.09%	50.17%
Eastern Europe & Russia	287	7.85%	13.31%	32.87%	4.96%	11.61%	28.83%	71.17%	20.27%	43.94%
India	3,574	8.37%	14.31%	34.00%	6.29%	12.85%	29.63%	70.37%	19.71%	42.87%
Japan	3,787	7.06%	12.51%	23.75%	5.93%	10.79%	30.83%	69.17%	19.87%	50.36%
Latin America & Caribbean	821	10.13%	16.17%	32.21%	9.30%	12.50%	40.90%	59.10%	26.45%	52.00%
Small Asia	8,792	7.09%	13.31%	27.71%	4.77%	11.35%	24.71%	75.29%	15.10%	41.29%
UK	1,052	5.76%	12.32%	33.22%	6.56%	10.95%	41.53%	58.47%	31.36%	52.28%
United States	5,593	3.51%	11.37%	35.20%	7.44%	10.10%	46.89%	53.11%	37.53%	51.67%
Global	42,409	6.64%	12.31%	29.49%	5.19%	10.86%	30.64%	69.36%	20.86%	51.68%

# When everything is in flux: Changing growth and margins

- The elegant connection between reinvestment and earnings growth, captured by a sustainable growth rate, when you have a company in transition, and margins are changing over time.
- If that is the case, you have to estimate cash flows in three steps:
  - Forecast revenue growth and revenues in future years, taking into account market potential and competition.
  - Forecast a "target" margin in the future and a pathway from current margins to the target.
  - Estimate reinvestment from revenues, using a sales to capital ratio (measuring the dollars of revenues you get from each dollar of investment).

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#### 1. Revenue Growth

#### **Revenue Growth and Magnitude**

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Market Size and Growth

1. Current Market size: The size of the market for the company's products & services, given geography it is targeting and product type.

2. Expected Growth in Market: Gowth in total market, as technology and market conditions change.

#### Market Share

1. Company's current market share: If company's current market share is low, potential for growth in market share at expense of competition.

2. Industry economics: Nature of the business ( a few big winners or splintered competition).

3. Strength of company's competitive advantages: Stronger and more sustainable competitive advantages should allow for higher market share.

The potential for revenue growth is greater for companies with small revenues (and market share) in a big and growing market, especially if the company has strong competitive advantages in winner-take-all businesses.

#### 2. Target Margins (and path there)...

#### **Operating Margin: Target and Pathway**

Target Operating Margin		Pathway to Profitability
<ol> <li>Unit Economics: Profits on extra unit sold (Gross Margins), as percent of price, with higher profitability going with higher operating margin.</li> <li>Economies of scale: Costs growth relative to revenue growth, with greater economies of scale allowing for higher margins.</li> <li>Competition: Pricing behavior among competitiors, with more aggressive pricing leading to lower margins.</li> </ol>		<ol> <li>Company's current operating margin: The lower a company's current margin, relative to the target, the steeper the path to profitability.</li> <li>Profitability versus Growth trade off: Companies that put growth ahead of profitability will wait longer before getting to target margin.</li> <li>Business model: The more well formed a business model, the speedier the pathway to the target margin.</li> </ol>

While all companies would like higher margins in steady state, the level of these margins will be determined by the sector in which a firm operates and its choice of business model, and the speed with which you move towards those target margins will be determined by a company's ambitions and business model choices.

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# 3. Sales to Invested Capital: A Pathway to estimating Reinvestment

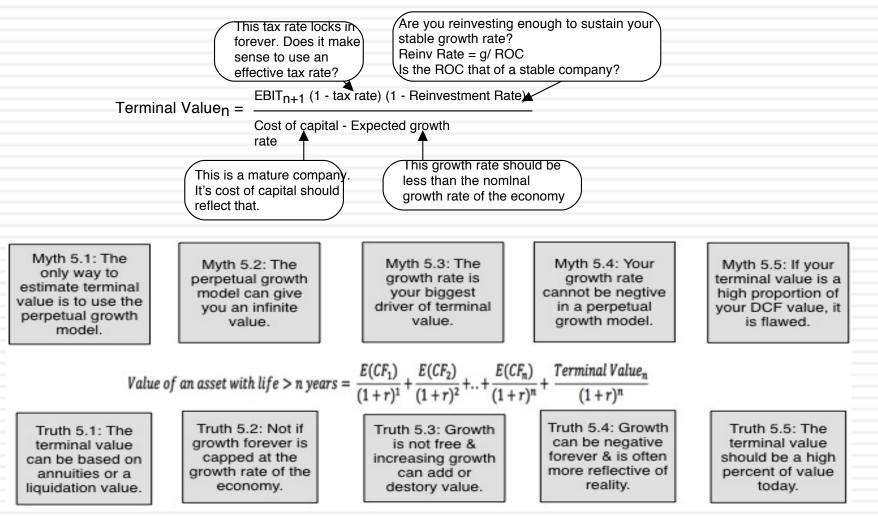
Current (Historical) Sales to Capital	Future Sales to Capital
The sales to invested capital ratio relates the revenues of the firm to its invested capital, with the latter defined the same way that you would in the return on invested capital calculation. Sales to Capital = Revenues/ (Book Equity + Book Debt – Cash) The ratio measures the efficiency with which a firm delivers its revenue growth, with higher values indicating more efficiency. You can look at: 1. The company's historical sales to capital ratio 2. The industry average sales to capital ratio	<ul> <li><u>1. Scaling Effects</u>: As companies get bigger, the sales to invested capital ratio can rise or fall, depending on the sector being analyzed. (Looking at the peer group may give some guidance).</li> <li><u>2. Excess Capacity</u>: If a company has excess capacity, created by past investments, it should be able to generate revenue growth with less investment, i.e., with higher sales to capital ratios.</li> <li><u>3. Lag between investment and growth</u>: If reinvestment creates growth quickly (or instantaneously), the reinvestment in a year can be estimated based upon revenue change in that year. If there is a lag, the reinvestment may have to be tied to revenue change in a future year.</li> </ul>

#### Sales to Invested Capital: Reinvestment

A company with higher expected growth in revenues will need to reinvest more, though how much will be determined by the businesss that it operates in, with less reinvestment needed if it has excess capacity and a lag between reinvestment and growth.

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## IX. All good things come to an end..And the terminal value is not an ATM...



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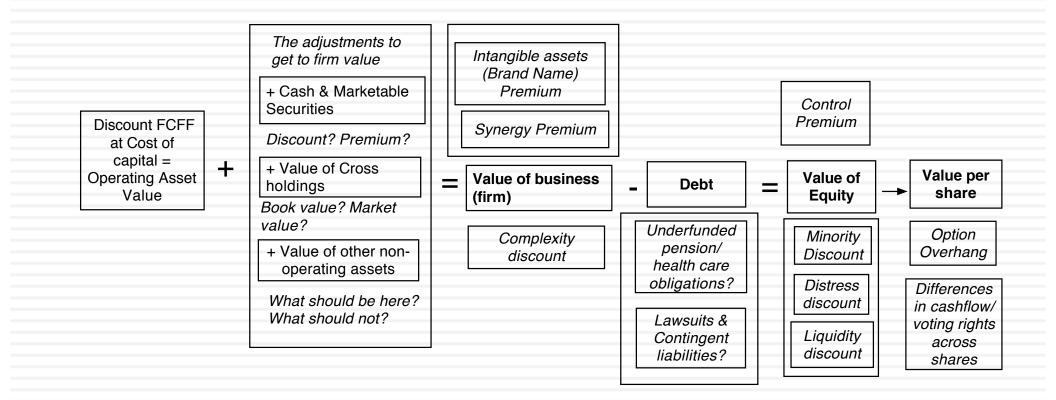
#### **Terminal Value and Growth**

Stable Growth				
Rate	Amgen	Tata Motors	Infosys	Heineken
0%	\$150,652	₹ 447,750	₹ 6,621,835	€59,438
1%	\$154,479	₹447,750	₹ 7,121,223	€59,438
2%	\$160,194	₹447,750	₹ 7,749,410	€59,438
3%	\$167,784	₹447,750	₹ 8,567,947	
4%	\$179,099	₹447,750	₹ 9,685,038	
5%		₹447,750	₹ 11,310,066	
Risk free Rate	4.78%	5.00%	4.77%	-0.50%
ROIC	10.00%	10.11%	20.00%	5.00%
Cost of capital	8.08%	10.11%	9.28%	5.00%

## II. The loose ends in valuation...

A premium here, a discount there, and soon you are where you wanted to be in the first place..

# Getting from DCF to value per share: The Loose Ends



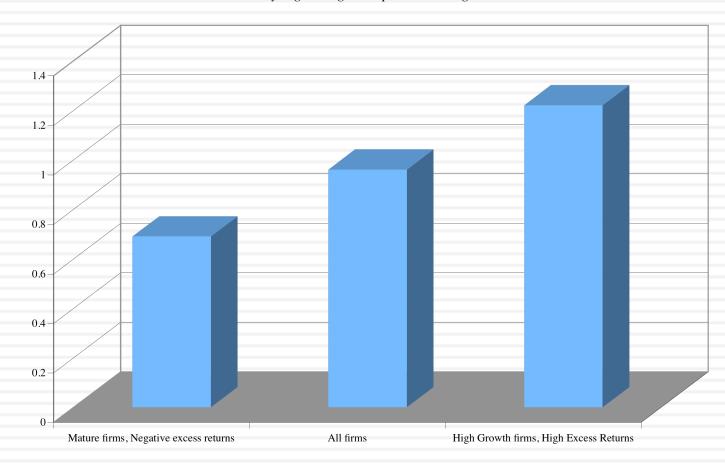
#### 1. The Value of Cash An Exercise in Cash Valuation

	Company A	Company B	Company C
Enterprise Value	\$ 1 billion	\$1 billion	\$1 billion
Cash	\$ 100 mil	\$ 100 mil	\$ 100 mil
Return on Capital	10%	5%	22%
Cost of Capital	10%	10%	12%
Trades in	US	US	Argentina

In which of these companies is cash most likely to trade at face value, at a discount and at a premium?

#### Cash: Discount or Premium?

Market Value of \$ 1 in cash: Estimates obtained by regressing Enterprise Value against Cash Balances



#### 2. Dealing with Holdings in Other firms

Holdings in other firms can be categorized into

- Minority passive holdings, in which case only the dividend from the holdings is shown in the balance sheet
- Minority active holdings, in which case the share of equity income is shown in the income statements
- Majority active holdings, in which case the financial statements are consolidated.
- We tend to be sloppy in practice in dealing with cross holdings. After valuing the operating assets of a firm, using consolidated statements, it is common to add on the balance sheet value of minority holdings (which are in book value terms) and subtract out the minority interests (again in book value terms), representing the portion of the consolidated company that does not belong to the parent company.

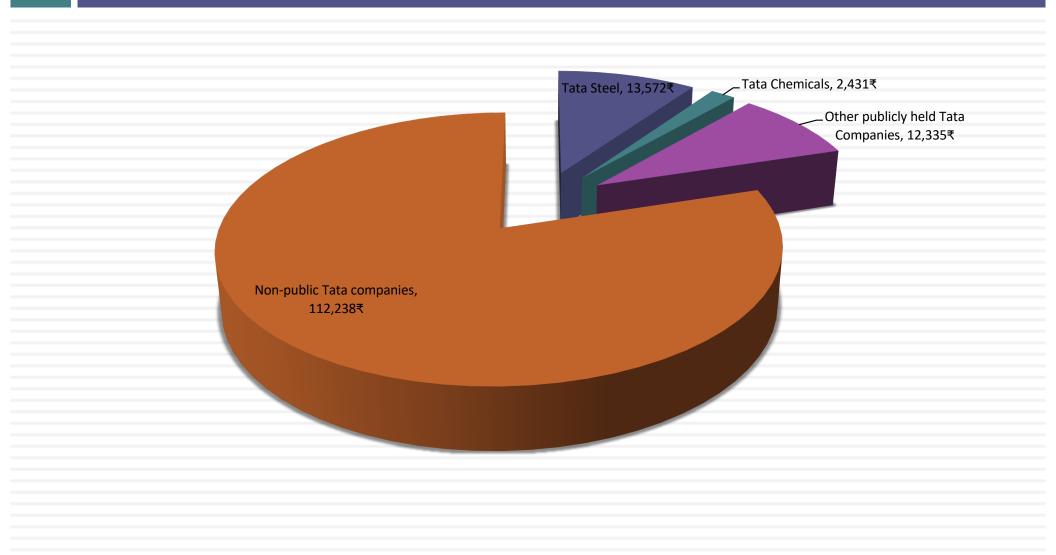
How to value holdings in other firms.. In a perfect world..

- In a perfect world, we would strip the parent company from its subsidiaries and value each one separately. The value of the combined firm will be
  - Value of parent company + Proportion of value of each subsidiary
- To do this right, you will need to be provided detailed information on each subsidiary to estimate cash flows and discount rates.

#### Two compromise solutions...

- The market value solution: When the subsidiaries are publicly traded, you could use their traded market capitalizations to estimate the values of the cross holdings. You do risk carrying into your valuation any mistakes that the market may be making in valuation.
- The relative value solution: When there are too many cross holdings to value separately or when there is insufficient information provided on cross holdings, you can convert the book values of holdings that you have on the balance sheet (for both minority holdings and minority interests in majority holdings) by using the average price to book value ratio of the sector in which the subsidiaries operate.

### Tata Motor's Cross Holdings



### 3. Other Assets that have not been counted

#### yet..

- Unutilized assets: If you have assets or property that are not being utilized (vacant land, for example), you have not valued it yet. You can assess a market value for these assets and add them on to the value of the firm.
- <u>Overfunded pension plans</u>: If you have a defined benefit plan and your assets exceed your expected liabilities, you could consider the over funding with two caveats:
  - Collective bargaining agreements may prevent you from laying claim to these excess assets.
  - There are tax consequences. Often, withdrawals from pension plans get taxed at much higher rates.
- Do not double count an asset. If you count the income from an asset in your cash flows, you cannot count the market value of the asset in your value.

### The "real estate" play

- Assume that Accor Hotels, a hotel company, has real estate investments underlying its operations. Assume that you estimate a real estate value of \$1.5 billion for the real estate. Can you add this value on to your DCF value that you get for the hotel business?
- a. Yes.
- b. No.
- c. Depends
- What would you do if the value of the land exceeds the present value that you have estimated for them as operating assets?
  - a. Nothing
  - b. Use the higher of the two values
  - c. Use the lower of the two values
  - d. Use a weighted average of the two values

#### An Uncounted Asset?



The longtime home of Playboy magazine founder Hugh Hefner is to be sold to Daren Metropoulos, a principal at private-equity firm Metropoulos & Co. PHOTO: GETTY IMAGES

#### 4. A Discount for Complexity: An Experiment

	<b>Company A</b>	Company B			
<b>Operating Income</b>	\$1 billion	\$ 1 billion			
Tax rate	40%	40%			
ROIC	10%	10%			
Expected Growth	5%	5%			
Cost of capital	8%	8%			
Business Mix	Single	Multiple Businesses			
Holdings	Simple	Complex			
Accounting	Transparent	Opaque			
Which firm would you value more highly?					

## Measuring Complexity: Volume of Data in Financial Statements

Company	Number of pages in last 10Q	Number of pages in last 10K
General Electric	65	410
Microsoft	63	218
Wal-mart	38	244
Exxon Mobil	86	332
Pfizer	171	460
Citigroup	252	1026
Intel	69	215
AIG	164	720
Johnson & Johnson	63	218
IBM	85	353

### Measuring Complexity: A Complexity Score

tem	Factors	Follow-up Question	Answer	Weighting factor	Gerdau Score	GE Score
Operating Income	1. Multiple Businesses	Number of businesses (with more than 10% of				
		revenues) =	1	2.00	2	30
		Percent of operating income =	10%	10.00	1	0.8
	3. Income from unspecified sources	Percent of operating income =	0%	10.00	0	1.2
	4. Items in income statement that are volatile	Percent of operating income =	15%	5.00	0.75	1
Tax Rate	1. Income from multiple locales	Percent of revenues from non-domestic locales =	70%	3.00	2.1	1.8
		Yes or No	No	Yes=3	0	3
	3. Headquarters in tax havens	Yes or No	No	Yes=3	0	0
	4. Volatile effective tax rate	Yes or No	Yes	Yes=2	2	0
Capital Expenditures	1. Volatile capital expenditures	Yes or No	Yes	Yes=2	2	2
	2. Frequent and large acquisitions	Yes or No	Yes	Yes=4	4	4
	3. Stock payment for acquisitions and					
		Yes or No	No	Yes=4	0	4
Vorking capital	1. Unspecified current assets and current				-	
	liabilities 2. Volatile working capital items	Yes or No	No	Yes=3	0	0
Truncated Crosseth rate	0 1	Yes or No	Yes	Yes=2	2	2
Expected Growth rate	(operating leases and R&D)					
		Yes or No	No	Yes=3	0	3
	2. Substantial stock buybacks	Yes or No	No	Yes=3	0	3
		Is your return on capital volatile?	Yes	Yes=5	5	5
	4. Unsustainably high return	Is your firm's ROC much higher than industry average?	No	Yes=5	0	0
Cost of capital	1. Multiple businesses	Number of businesses (more than 10% of revenues) =	1	1.00	1	20
	2. Operations in emerging markets	Percent of revenues=	50%	5.00	2.5	2.5
	3. Is the debt market traded?	Yes or No	No	No=2	2	0
	4. Does the company have a rating?	Yes or No	Yes	No=2	0	0
	5. Does the company have off-balance sheet					
	debt?	Yes or No	No	Yes=5	0	5
lo-operating assets	Minority holdings as percent of book assets	Minority holdings as percent of book assets	0%	20.00	0	0.8
irm to Equity value	Consolidation of subsidiaries	Minority interest as percent of book value of equity	63%	20.00	12.6	1.2
er share value Dar	Shares with different voting rights	Does the firm have shares with different voting rights?	Yes	Yes = 10	10	0
nowain Dan	Equity options outstanding	Options outstanding as percent of shares	0%	10.00	0	0.2
		Complexity Score =			48.95	90.55

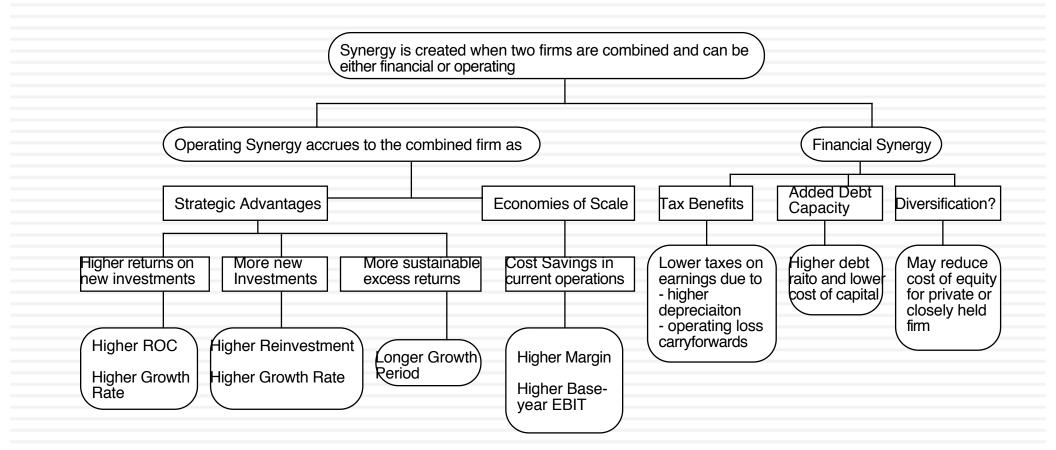
## **Dealing with Complexity**

#### In Discounted Cashflow Valuation

- The Aggressive Analyst: Trust the firm to tell the truth and value the firm based upon the firm's statements about their value.
- The Conservative Analyst: Don't value what you cannot see.
- **The Compromise: Adjust the value for complexity** 
  - Adjust cash flows for complexity
  - Adjust the discount rate for complexity
  - Adjust the expected growth rate/ length of growth period
  - Value the firm and then discount value for complexity
- In relative valuation
  - In a relative valuation, you may be able to assess the price that the market is charging for complexity:
  - With the hundred largest market cap firms, for instance:

PBV = 0.65 + 15.31 ROE – 0.55 Beta + 3.04 Expected growth rate – 0.003 # Pages in 10K

## 5. The Value of Synergy



### Valuing Synergy

(1) the firms involved in the merger are valued independently, by discounting expected cash flows to each firm at the weighted average cost of capital for that firm.

(2) the value of the combined firm, with no synergy, is obtained by adding the values obtained for each firm in the first step.

(3) The effects of synergy are built into expected growth rates and cashflows, and the combined firm is re-valued with synergy.

Value of Synergy = Value of the combined firm, with synergy - Value of the combined firm, without synergy

#### Inbev + SAB Miller: Where's the synergy?

	Inbev	SABMiller	Combined firm (status quo)	Combined firm (synergy)
Levered Beta	0.85	0.8289	0.84641	0.84641
Pre-tax cost of debt	3.0000%	3.2000%	3.00%	3.00%
Effective tax rate	18.00%	26.36%	19.92%	19.92%
Debt to Equity Ratio	30.51%	23.18%	29.71%	29.71%
Revenues	\$45,762.00	\$22,130.00	\$67,892.00	\$67,892.00
Operating Margin	32.28%	19.97%	28.27%	30.00%
Operating Income (EBIT)	\$14,771.97	\$4,419.36	\$19,191.33	\$20.368
After-tax return on capital	12.10%	12.64%	11.68%	12.00%
Reinvestment Rate =	50.99%	33.29%	43.58%	50.00%
Expected Growth Rate	6.17%	4.21%	5.09%	6.00%

### The value of synergy

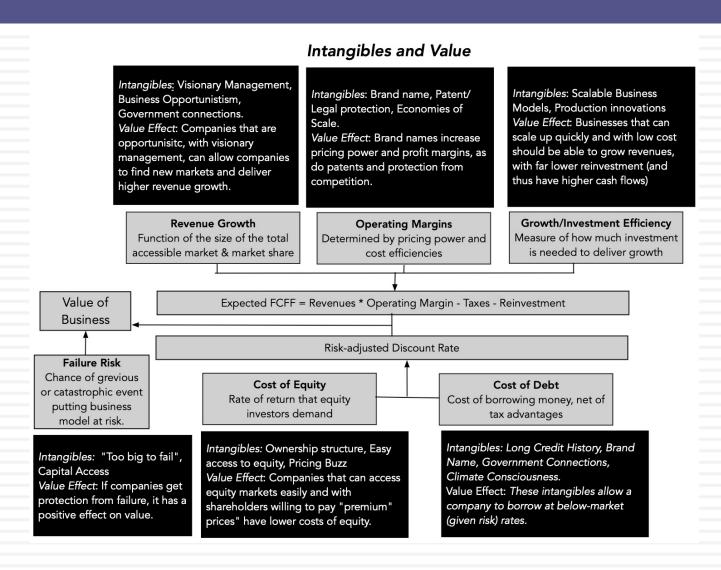
			Combined firm	Combined firm
	Inbev	SABMiller	(status quo)	(synergy)
Cost of Equity =	8.93%	9.37%	9.12%	9.12%
After-tax cost of debt =	2.10%	2.24%	2.10%	2.10%
Cost of capital =	7.33%	8.03%	7.51%	7.51%
After-tax return on capital =	12.10%	12.64%	11.68%	12.00%
Reinvestment Rate =	50.99%	33.29%	43.58%	50.00%
Expected growth rate=	6.17%	4.21%	5.09%	6.00%
	Value of	f <i>j</i> irm		
PV of FCFF in high growth =	\$28,733	\$9,806	\$38,539	\$39,151
Terminal value =	\$260,982	\$58,736	\$319,717	\$340,175
Value of operating assets =	\$211,953	\$50,065	\$262,018	\$276,610

Value of synergy = 276,610 – 262,018 = 14,592 million 79

6. Brand name, great management, superb product ... Are we short-changing intangibles?

- There is often a temptation to add on premiums for intangibles. Here are a few examples.
  - Brand name
  - Great management
  - Loyal workforce
  - Technological prowess
- There are two potential dangers:
  - For these assets, the value should already be in your value and adding a premium will be double counting.
  - Even if the value is not incorporated already, adding an arbitrary premium is lazy and sloppy.

### The Intrinsic Value of Intangibles



## Valuing Brand Name

	Coca Cola	With Cott Margins
Current Revenues =	\$21,962.00	\$21,962.00
Length of high-growth period	10	10
Reinvestment Rate =	50%	50%
Operating Margin (after-tax)	15.57%	5.28%
Sales/Capital (Turnover ratio)	1.34	1.34
Return on capital (after-tax)	20.84%	7.06%
Growth rate during period (g) =	10.42%	3.53%
Cost of Capital during period =	7.65%	7.65%
Stable Growth Period		
Growth rate in steady state =	4.00%	4.00%
Return on capital =	7.65%	7.65%
Reinvestment Rate =	52.28%	52.28%
Cost of Capital =	7.65%	7.65%
Value of Firm =	\$79,611.25	\$15,371.24
Value of Brand name = \$79,611 -	\$15,371 = \$64,240 milli	on

	1				Birkenstock	IPO Valuati	on							Sep	-23
Dees Verser	4.0			0	with Otoms		Duefitab	lite Otome		0		No			
Base Year an	d Comparison	Big Apparel			wth Story % in year 1, followed			lity Story			wth Efficiency S			Termina	Walua
CAGR in Revenues (2013-22)	Company 18.20	<b>V</b> 11		-	% in years 2-5			rgin of 23% in to 25% over			quartile (2.62) o arel & footwear f	•		Growth Rate	
Revenue (LTM)	€ 1,439,97			Dy 15%	o 111 years 2-5			g four years.		appa	arei a lootwear i	inns.		Cost of capital	2.749
Dperating Margin (LTM)	22.31			Darbia Durr						Even colob				Return on capital	12.009
Dperating Income	€ 321,23				z in year 1. Strong			ne allows for			rity advertisi			Reinvestment Rate	22.839
EBIT (1-t)	€ 224,86				ent finds growth in			& slight growth			ip deals will allo cient reinvestmo			neinvesiment nate	22.03
(1-0)	0 224,00				s/proudcts, without ng brand name.		in strong pr	ofit margins.		em	cient reinvestm	ent.			
PV(Terminal value)	€ 6,087,28	5		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Terminal year	
PV (CF over next 10 years)	€ 2,862,59		Revenue Growth	25.00%	15.00%	15.00%	15.00%	15.00%	12.55%	10.10%	7.64%	5.19%	2.74%		
Probability of failure =	0.00	6	Revenue	€ 1,799,970	€ 2,069,966	€ 2,380,460	€ 2,737,529	€ 3,148,159	€ 3,543,190	€ 3,900,910	€ 4,199,096	€ 4,417,113	€ 4,538,142	€ 4,662,487	
/alue of operating assets =	€ 8,949,88	)	Operating Margin	23.00%	23.80%	24.20%	24.60%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	
Debt	€ 1,874,00	2	Operating Income	€ 413,993	€ 492,652	€ 576,071	€ 673,432	€ 787,040	€ 885,797	€ 975,228	€ 1,049,774	€ 1,104,278	€ 1,134,535	€ 1,165,622	
· Minority interests	€ -		EBIT (1-t)	€ 289,795	€ 344,856	€ 403,250	€ 471,403	€ 550,928	€ 620,058	€ 682,659	€ 734,842	€ 772,995	€ 794,175	€ 815,935	
+ Cash	€ 307,07	3	Reinvestment	€ 103,052	€ 118,509	€ 136,286	€ 156,729	€ 150,775	€ 136,535	€ 113,811	€ 83,213	€ 46,194	€ 47,460	€ 186,305	
+ Non-operating assets	€ -		FCFF	€ 186,743	€ 226,347	€ 266,964	€ 314,674	€ 400,153	€ 483,524	€ 568,848	€ 651,629	€ 726,801	€ 746,715	€ 629,630	
/alue of equity	€ 8,382,95	3											€ 12,592,600		
<ul> <li>Value of options</li> </ul>	€ -														
/alue of equity (common stock)	€ 8,382,95	5	Cost of Capital	7.45%	7.45%	7.45%	7.45%	7.45%	7.51%	7.57%	7.63%	7.68%	7.74%		
Number of shares	202,853.0		Cumulated WACC	0.9306	0.8661	0.8060	0.7501	0.6980	0.6493	0.6036	0.5608	0.5208	0.4834		
Estimated value /share	€ 41.3	}													
			Sales to Capital	2.62					2.62			2.62			
Price per share	€ 46.5		ROIC	7.38%	8.56%	9.73%	11.01%	12.41%	13.51%	14.44%	15.18%	15.70%	15.98%	12.00%	
6 Under or Over Valued	12.52	6													
			Risk St	,		Com	petitive Advan	tages							
			Cost of capital refle	U U		Competiv	e advantages v	vill persist.							
			mix, geography 8	k debt policy.											
			Centering pro	duction in			ollectively susta								
			Germany reduces	s supply chain		capital a	bove the cost o	of capital.							
			& country												

### Valuing a Franchise: Star Wars

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		Add-on \$ per Box Office \$	St	ar Wars Fra	anchise Val	uation: Dec	cen	nber 20	15			
Streamin	ng/Video	\$1.20										
Toys & N	<b>Merchandise</b>	\$2.00										
Books/e	Books	\$0.20			Main Movies			5	oin Off N	lovi	20	
Gaming		\$0.50		World B				, ,	Box offic			of
Other		\$0.50	World Box office of \$1.5 billion, adjusted for 2% inflation.						nain mo			
	Add on \$			Mai	n Star Wars Mo	vies	I	Star Wars Spin offs				
	per box			Star Wars VII	Star Wars VIII	Star Wars IX	Ro	gue One	Hans So			a Fett?
	office \$	Years from now		0.0	2.0	4.0		1.0	3.0			5.0
		Movies - Revenues		\$2,000	\$2,081	\$2,165		\$1,020	\$1,06	1	\$	1,104
		Streaming/Video - Revenue	?S	\$2,400	\$2,497	\$2,598		\$1,224	\$1,27	3	\$	1,325
		Toys & Merchandise - Reve	nues	\$4,000 \$4,162 \$4,330				\$2,040	\$2,12	\$2,122		2,208
-		Books/eBooks - Revenues		\$400	\$416	\$433	\$433 \$204 \$1,082 \$510 \$1,082 \$510		\$212		\$221	
		Gaming - Revenues		\$1,000	\$1,040	\$1,082			\$531	\$531		\$552
		Other - Revenues		\$1,000	\$1,040	\$1,082			\$531		\$552	
Operati	ng Margin	Total - Revenues		\$10,800	\$11,236	\$11,690	\$5,508		\$5,731		\$5,962	
20.14%	for movies											
	non-movies	After-tax Operating Income	e (movies)	\$ 282	\$ 293	\$ 305	\$	144	\$	150	\$	156
30%	tax rate	After-tax Operating Income	e (non-movies)	\$ 924	\$ 961	\$ 1,000	\$	471	\$ .	490	\$	510
		Present Value		\$ 1,206	\$ 1,083	\$ 973	\$	572	\$	514	\$	461
		Value of new Star Wars mo	vies =	\$4,809			-				-	
	unted back	Value of continuing income	2 =	\$5,163								
	1% cost of apital of	Value of Star Wars =		\$9,972								
ente	rtainment npanies				continue	es that reven after 2020, gr ith 15% opera	owi	ng at 2%				

7. Be circumspect about defining debt for cost of capital purposes...

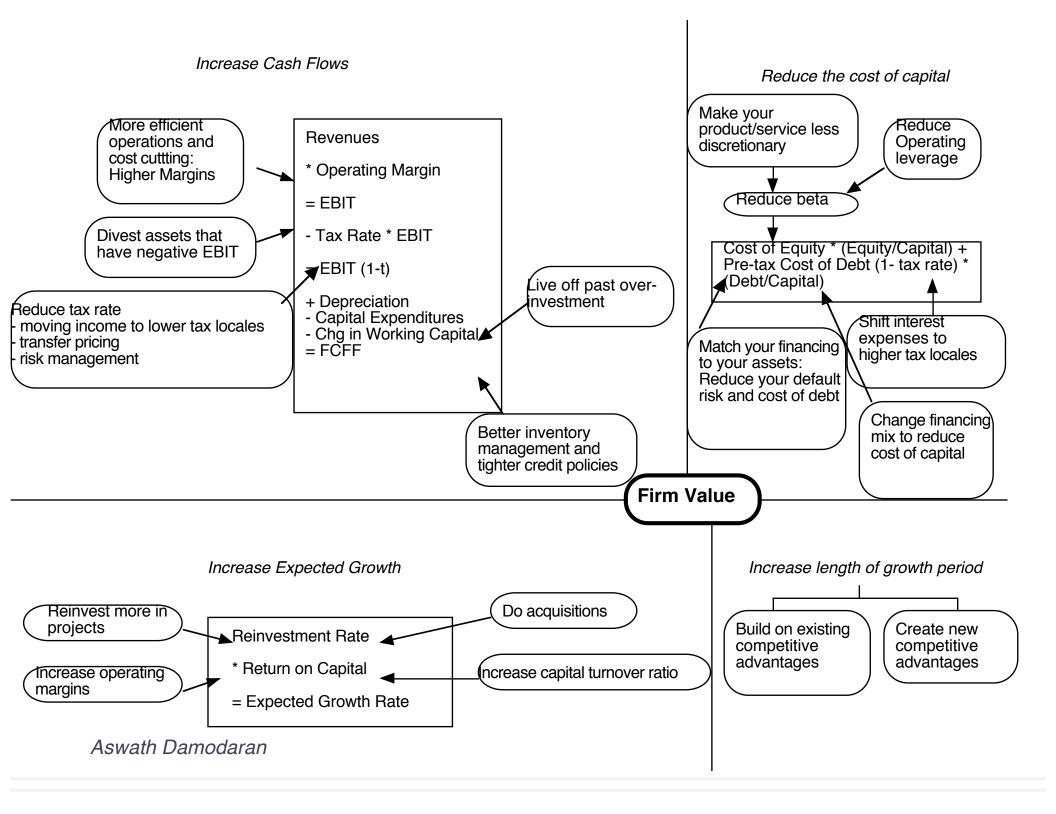
- General Rule: Debt generally has the following characteristics:
  - Commitment to make fixed payments in the future
  - The fixed payments are tax deductible
  - Failure to make the payments can lead to either default or loss of control of the firm to the party to whom payments are due.
- Defined as such, debt should include
  - All interest bearing liabilities, short term as well as long term
  - All leases, operating as well as capital
- Debt should not include
  - Accounts payable or supplier credit

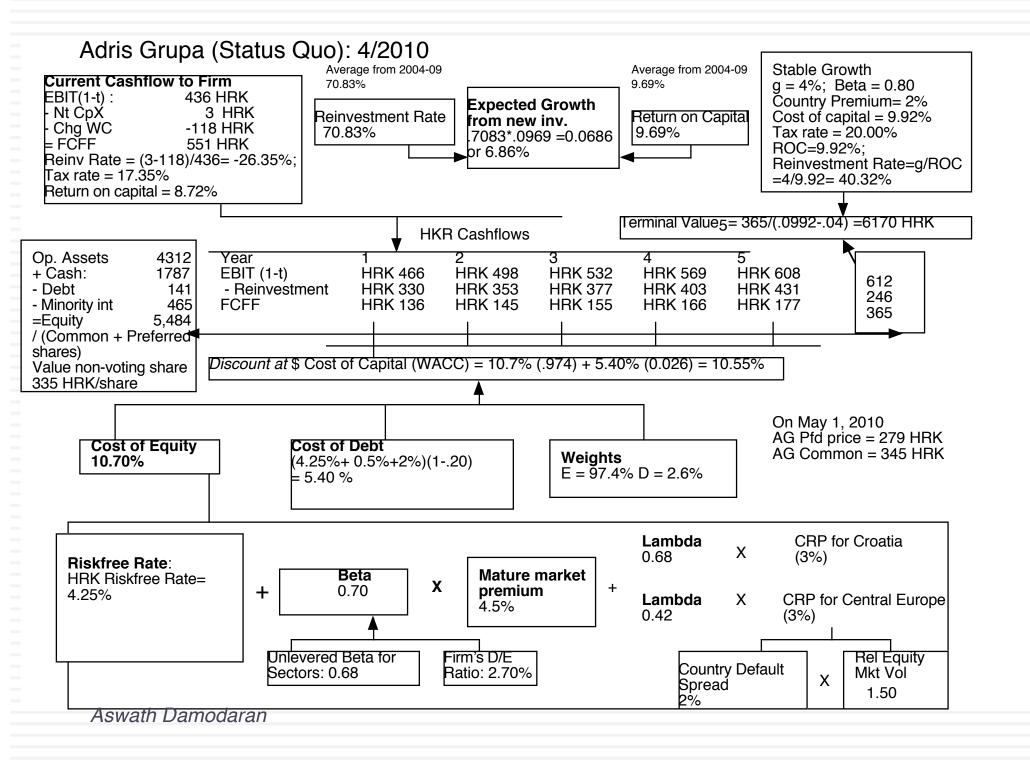
But should consider other potential liabilities when getting to equity value...

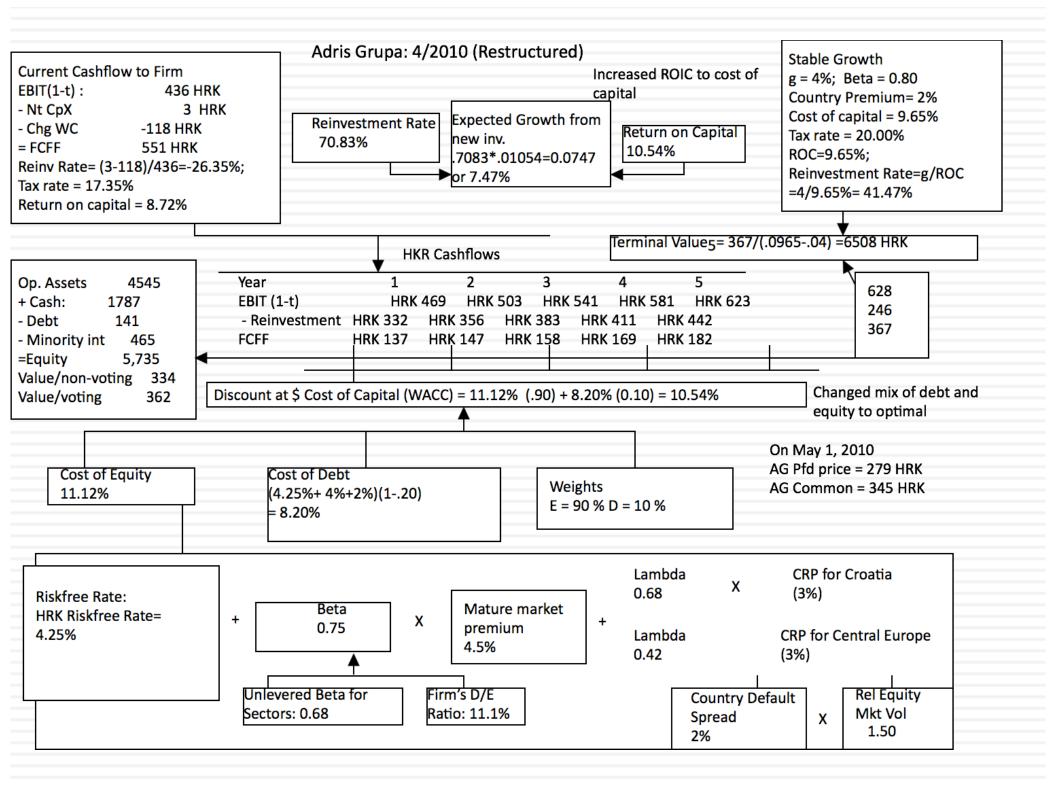
- If you have under funded pension fund or health care plans, you should consider the under funding at this stage in getting to the value of equity.
  - If you do so, you should not double count by also including a cash flow line item reflecting cash you would need to set aside to meet the unfunded obligation.
  - You should not be counting these items as debt in your cost of capital calculations....
- If you have contingent liabilities for example, a potential liability from a lawsuit that has not been decided - you should consider the expected value of these contingent liabilities
  - Value of contingent liability = Probability that the liability will occur \* Expected value of liability

### 8. The Value of Control

- The value of the control premium that will be paid to acquire a block of equity will depend upon two factors -
  - Probability that control of firm will change: This refers to the probability that incumbent management will be replaced. this can be either through acquisition or through existing stockholders exercising their muscle.
  - Value of Gaining Control of the Company: The value of gaining control of a company arises from two sources - the increase in value that can be wrought by changes in the way the company is managed and run, and the side benefits and perquisites of being in control
  - Value of Gaining Control = Present Value (Value of Company with change in control - Value of company without change in control) + Side Benefits of Control







#### Value of Control and the Value of Voting Rights

- Adris Grupa has two classes of shares outstanding: 9.616 million voting shares and 6.748 million non-voting shares.
- To value a non-voting share, we assume that all non-voting shares essentially have to settle for status quo value. All shareholders, common and preferred, get an equal share of the status quo value.

Status Quo Value of Equity = 5,484 million HKR

Value for a non-voting share = 5484/(9.616+6.748) = 334 HKR/share

 To value a voting share, we first value control in Adris Grup as the difference between the optimal and the status quo value: Value of control at Adris Grupa = 5,735 – 5484 = 251 million HKR Value per voting share =334 HKR + 251/9.616 = 362 HKR

## III. The Dark Side of Valuation

#### Valuing difficult-to-value companies!

### The fundamental determinants of value...

What are the	What is the <b>value added</b> by growth assets? Equity: Growth in equity earnings/ cashflows Firm: Growth in operating earnings/ cashflows	
cashflows from existing assets? - Equity: Cashflows after debt payments - Firm: Cashflows	How <b>risky are the cash flows</b> from both existing assets and growth assets?	When will the firm become a <b>mature</b> <b>firm</b> , and what are the potential roadblocks?
before debt payments	Equity: Risk in equity in the company Firm: Risk in the firm's operations	

#### The Dark Side of Valuation...

- Valuing stable, money making companies with consistent and clear accounting statements, a long and stable history and lots of comparable firms is easy to do.
- The true test of your valuation skills is when you have to value "difficult" companies. In particular, the challenges are greatest when valuing:
  - Young companies, early in the life cycle, in young businesses
  - Companies that don't fit the accounting mold
  - Companies that face substantial truncation risk (default or nationalization risk)

#### Difficult to value companies...

#### □ Across the life cycle:

- Young, growth firms: Limited history, small revenues in conjunction with big operating losses and a propensity for failure make these companies tough to value.
- Mature companies in transition: When mature companies change or are forced to change, history may have to be abandoned and parameters have to be reestimated.
- Declining and Distressed firms: A long but irrelevant history, declining markets, high debt loads and the likelihood of distress make them troublesome.

#### Across sectors

- Financial service firms: Opacity of financial statements and difficulties in estimating basic inputs leave us trusting managers to tell us what's going on.
- Commodity and cyclical firms: Dependence of the underlying commodity prices or overall economic growth make these valuations susceptible to macro factors.
- **•** Firms with intangible assets: Accounting principles are left to the wayside on these firms.
- Across the ownership cycle
  - Privately owned businesses: Exposure to firm specific risk and illiquidity bedevil valuations.
  - Venture Capital (VC) and private equity: Different equity investors, with different perceptions of risk.
  - Closely held public firms: Part private and part public, sharing the troubles of both.

#### I. The challenge with young companies...

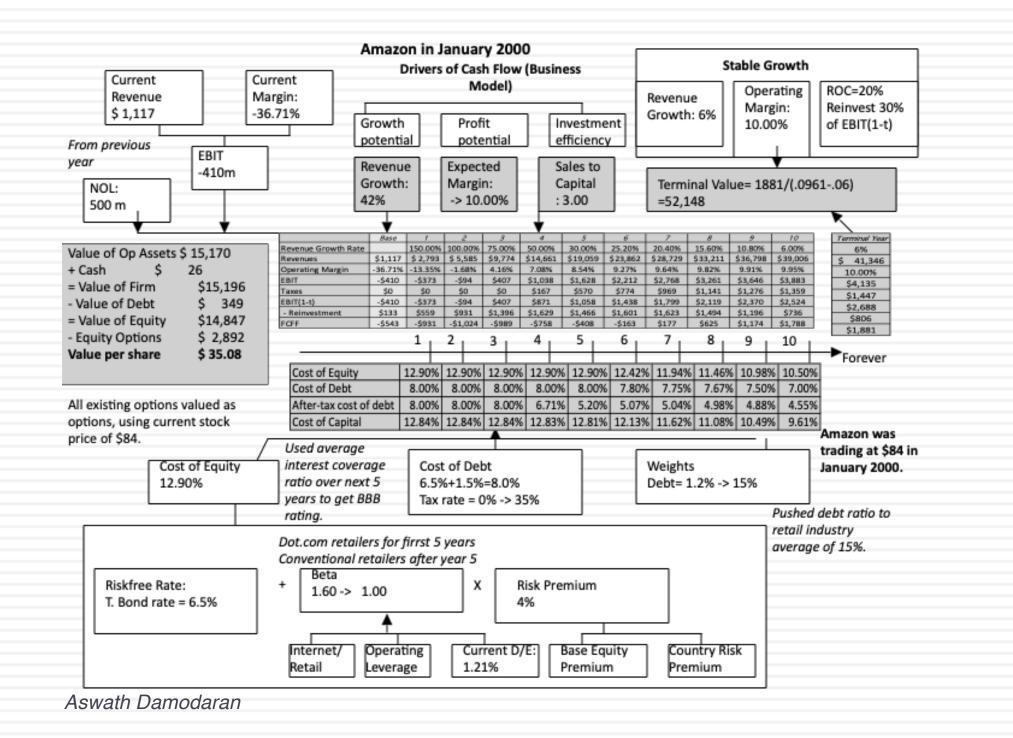
Figure 5.2: Estimation Issues - Young and Start-up Companies

Making judgments on revenues/ profits difficult becaue you cannot draw on history. If you have no product/ service, it is difficult to gauge market potential or profitability. The company's entire value lies in future growth but you have little to base your estimate on.

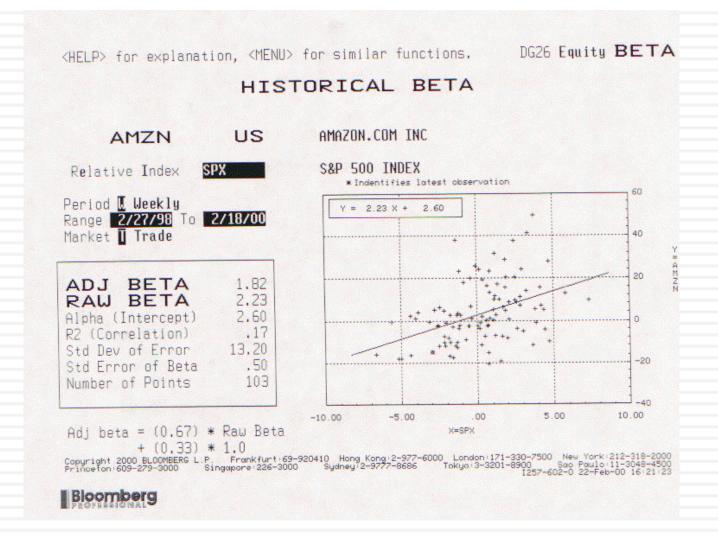
Cash flows from existing assets non-existent or ( negative.	What is the value a assets?	added by growth	$\bigcirc$	
What are the cashflows from existing assets? Different claims on cash flows can affect value of equity at each stage. What is the value of equity in the firm?	existing assets and Limited historical	l data on earnings, rices for securities		When will the firm become a mature fiirm, and what are the potential roadblocks? Will the firm make it through the gauntlet of market demand and competition? Even if it does, assessing when it will become mature is difficult because there is so little to go on

# Upping the ante.. Young companies in young businesses...

- □ When valuing a business, we generally draw on three sources of information
  - **D** The firm's current financial statement
    - How much did the firm sell?
    - How much did it earn?
  - **•** The firm's financial history, usually summarized in its financial statements.
    - How fast have the firm's revenues and earnings grown over time?
    - What can we learn about cost structure and profitability from these trends?
    - Susceptibility to macro-economic factors (recessions and cyclical firms)
  - The industry and comparable firm data
    - What happens to firms as they mature? (Margins.. Revenue growth... Reinvestment needs... Risk)
- It is when valuing these companies that you find yourself tempted by the dark side, where
  - "Paradigm shifts" happen...
  - New metrics are invented ...
  - The story dominates and the numbers lag...



#### Lesson 1: Don't trust regression betas....

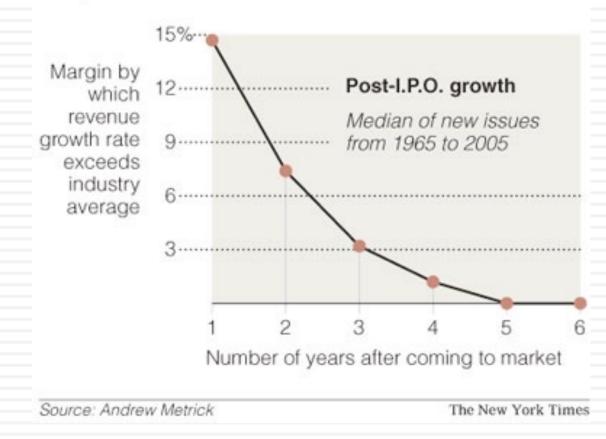


#### Lesson 2: Work backwards and keep it simple...

Year	Revenue Growth	Sales	<b>Operating Margin</b>	EBIT	EBIT (1-t)
Tr 12 mths		\$1,117	-36.71%	-\$410	-\$410
1	150.00%	\$2,793	-13.35%	-\$373	-\$373
2	100.00%	\$5,585	-1.68%	-\$94	-\$94
3	75.00%	\$9,774	4.16%	\$407	\$407
4	50.00%	\$14,661	7.08%	\$1,038	\$871
5	30.00%	\$19,059	8.54%	\$1,628	\$1,058
6	25.20%	\$23,862	9.27%	\$2,212	\$1,438
7	20.40%	\$28,729	9.64%	\$2,768	\$1,799
8	15.60%	\$33,211	9.82%	\$3,261	\$2,119
9	10.80%	\$36,798	9.91%	\$3,646	\$2,370
10	6.00%	\$39,006	9.95%	\$3,883	\$2,524
ΤY	6.00%	\$41,346	10.00%	\$4,135	\$2,688

#### Lesson 3: Scaling up is hard to do...

Typically, the revenue growth rate of a newly public company outpaces its industry average for only about five years.



#### Lesson 4: Don't forget to pay for growth...

				vested Capital einvestment ir	•		Capital in ye	ear t-1 +			
Year	Revenues	$\Delta$ Revenue	Sales/Cap	$\Delta$ Investment	$\Delta$ Investment Invested Capital EBIT (			Imputed ROC			
Tr 12 mths	\$1,117				\$	487	-\$410				
1	\$2,793	\$1,676	3.00	\$559	\$	1,045	-\$373	-76.62%			
2	\$5,585	\$2,793	3.00	\$931	\$	1,976	-\$94	-8.96%			
3	\$9,774	\$4,189	3.00	\$1,396	\$	3,372	\$407	20.59%			
4	\$14,661	\$4,887	3.00	\$1,629	\$	5,001	\$871	25.82%			
5	\$19,059	\$4,398	3.00	\$1,466	\$	6,467	\$1,058	21.16%			
6	\$23,862	\$4,803	3.00	\$1,601	\$	8,068	\$1,438	22.23%			
7	\$28,729	\$4,868	3.00	\$1,623	\$	9,691	\$1,799	22.30%			
8	\$33,211	\$4,482	3.00	\$1,494	\$	11,185	\$2,119	21.87%			
9	\$36,798	\$3,587	3.00	\$1,196	\$	12,380	\$2,370	21.19%			
10	\$39,006	\$2,208	3.00	\$736	\$	13,116	\$2,524	20.39%			
ΤY	\$41,346	\$2,340	NA			Assumed to	be =	20.00%			

Return on Capital in year t= EBIT (1-t) in year t/ Invested Capital in year t-1

## Lesson 5: There are always scenarios where the market price can be justified...

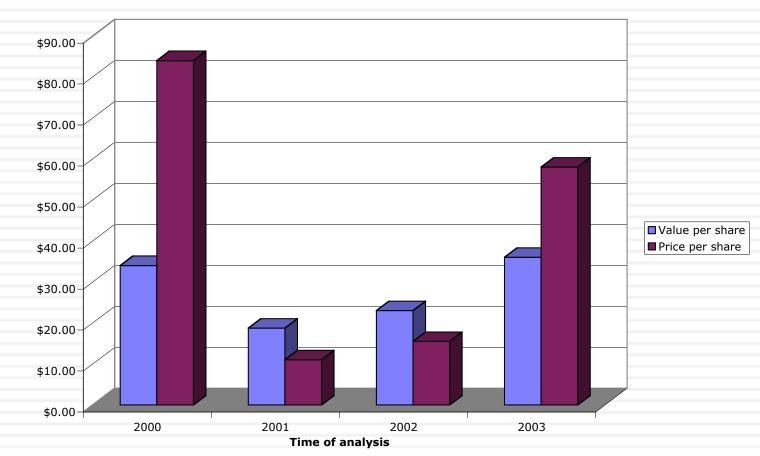
				Target p	re-ta	x Operatin	ig Ma	argin		
e		6%		8%		10%	12%		14%	
rate	30%	\$ (1.94)	\$	2.95	\$	7.84	\$	12.71	\$	17.57
(	35%	\$ 1.41	\$	8.37	\$	15.33	\$	22.27	\$	29.21
<	40%	\$ 6.10	\$	15.93	\$	25.74	\$	35.54	\$	45.34
C	45%	\$ 12.59	\$	26.34	\$	40.05	\$	53.77	\$	67.48
noc	50%	\$ 21.47	\$	40.50	\$	59.52	\$	78.53	\$	97.54
Compounded Revenue Grov	55%	\$ 33.47	\$	59.60	\$	85.72	\$	111.84	\$	137.95
Cc Re	60%	\$ 49.53	\$	85.10	\$	120.66	\$	156.22	\$	191.77

Lesson 6: You will be wrong 100% of the time... and it really is not (always) your fault...

- No matter how careful you are in getting your inputs and how well structured your model is, your estimate of value will change both as new information comes out about the company, the business and the economy.
- As information comes out, you will have to adjust and adapt your model to reflect the information. Rather than be defensive about the resulting changes in value, recognize that this is the essence of risk.
- A test: If your valuations are unbiased, you should find yourself increasing estimated values as often as you are decreasing values. In other words, there should be equal doses of good and bad news affecting valuations (at least over time).

### And the market is often "more wrong"....

Amazon: Value and Price



#### Valuing an IPO

#### Valuation issues:

- Use of the proceeds from the offering: The proceeds from the offering can be held as cash by the firm to cover future investment needs, paid to existing equity investors who want to cash out or used to pay down debt.
- Warrants/ Special deals with prior equity investors: If venture capitalists and other equity investors from earlier iterations of fund raising have rights to buy or sell their equity at pre-specified prices, it can affect the value per share offered to the public.

#### Pricing issues:

- Institutional set-up: Most IPOs are backed by investment banking guarantees on the price, which can affect how they are priced.
- Follow-up offerings: The proportion of equity being offered at initial offering and subsequent offering plans can affect pricing.

Paytm	
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The Story

Paytm will continue its dominance of the Indian mobile payment market, while that market continues to grow. Along the way, its management will focus more on converting transactions on its platform into revenues, and revenues into operating income.

The Assumptions												
		Base year	Next year		Years 2-5		Years 6-10		After year 10	Link to story		
GMV	₹ 4,033,000 40.00%				40.00%	Ť	4.19%		4.19%	Growing mobile payment market		
Revenue as % of GMV					1.00%	1	2.00%		2.00%	Take rate improves, as company matures		
Operating margin (b)	perating margin (b) -49.00% -20.0%				5.00%	+	30.00%		30.00%	High-margin intermediary business		
Tax rate					25.00%> 25.00%				25.00%	Converge on statutory tax rate		
										Industry average reinvestment, for capital		
Reinvestment (c )			3.00		2.45	-	2.45		27.93%	intensive business.		
Return on capital -21.78% Marginal ROIC =					80.13%				15.00%	Competitive advantages fade over time.		
Cost of capital (d)	of capital (d)				10.44%> 8.91%				8.91%	Cost of capital relatively stable.		
The Cash Flows												
		GMV	Revenues	Ор	erating Margin		EBIT (1-t)		Reinvestment	FCFF		
1	₹	5,646,200	₹ 46,984.56		-20.00%	₹	-9,396.91	₹	5,038.85	₹ -14,435.77		
2	₹	7,904,680	₹ 69,095.49		-10.00%	₹	-6,909.55	₹	9,024.87	₹ -15,934.42		
3	₹	11,066,552	₹ 101,377.63		-5.00%	¥	-5,068.88	₹	13,176.38	₹ -18,245.27		
4	₹	15,493,173	₹ 148,430.20		0.00%	₹	-0.00	₹	19,205.13	₹ -19,205.13		
5	₹	21,690,442	₹ 216,904.42		5.00%	₹	10,845.22	₹	27,948.66	₹ -17,103.44		
6	₹	28,813,149			10.00%	₹	28,564.36	₹	52,593.21	₹ -24,028.85		
7	₹	36,211,213	₹ 506,956.99		15.00%	₹	57,032.66	₹	65,795.59	₹ -8,762.93		
8	₹	42,915,357	₹ 686,645.72		20.00%	₹	102,996.86	₹	73,342.34	₹ 29,654.52		
9	₹	47,787,109	₹ 860,167.96		25.00%	₹	161,281.49	₹	70,825.40	₹ 90,456.09		
10	₹	49,789,389	₹ 995,787.77		30.00%	₹	224,052.25		55,355.03	₹ 168,697.22		
Terminal year	₹	51,875,564	₹ 1,037,511.28		30.00%	₹	233,440.04	₹	65,207.58	₹ 168,232.45		
	The Value											
Terminal value		₹	3,564,246.92									
PV(Terminal value)		₹	1,377,090.74									
PV (CF over next 10 yea		₹	36,169.53									
Value of operating asse		₹	1,413,260.27									
Adjustment for distress		₹ ₹	35,331.51				Probability of failure =	5.00%				
- Debt & Minority Interests					12,006.00							
+ Cash & Other Non-op	ig assets	₹	7,785.00	_								
+IPO Proceeds		₹	83,000.00	Total proceeds expected to be 166,000, but half will be cashing out existing stockholders.								
Value of equity		₹	1,456,707.76									
- Value of equity optio		₹	45,696.90									
Number of shares			644.23					_				
Value per share		₹	2,190.24				Stock was trading at =	₹ 2,950.00				

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#### II. Dealing with decline and distress...

Historial data often reflects flat or declining revenues and falling margins. Investments often earn less than the cost of capital.

Growth can be negative, as firm sheds assets and shrinks. As less profitable assets are shed, the firm's remaining assets may improve in quality.

What is the value added by growth assets?

What are the cashflows from existing assets?

Underfunded pension obligations and litigation claims can lower value of equity. Liquidation preferences can affect value of equity

What is the value of equity in the firm?

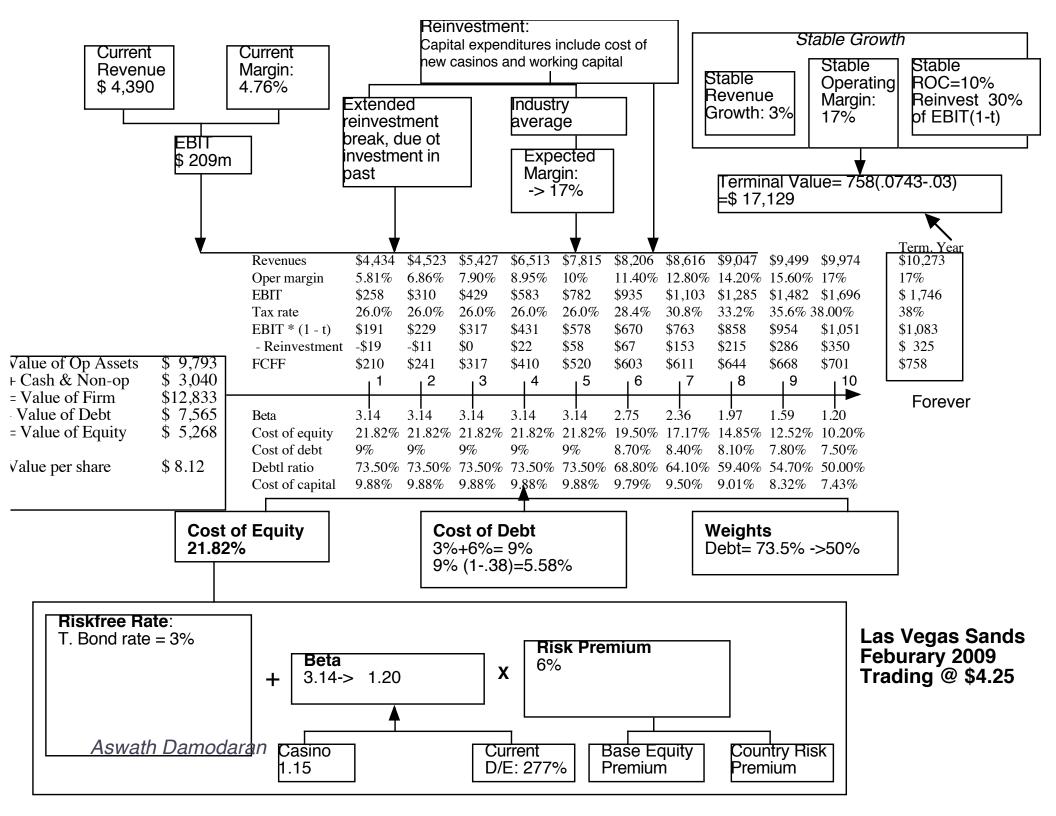
How risky are the cash flows from both existing assets and growth assets?

Depending upon the risk of the assets being divested and the use of the proceeds from the divestuture (to pay dividends or retire debt), the risk in both the firm and its equity can change. When will the firm become a mature fiirm, and what are the potential roadblocks?

There is a real chance, especially with high financial leverage, that the firm will not make it. If it is expected to survive as a going concern, it will be as a much smaller entity.

### Dealing with the "downside" of Distress

- A DCF valuation values a firm as a going concern. If there is a significant likelihood of the firm failing before it reaches stable growth and if the assets will then be sold for a value less than the present value of the expected cash flows (a distress sale value), DCF valuations will understate the value of the firm.
  - Value of Equity= DCF value of equity (1 Probability of distress) + Distress sale value of equity (Probability of distress)
- □ There are three ways in which we can estimate the probability of distress:
  - Use the bond rating to estimate the cumulative probability of distress over 10 years
  - Estimate the probability of distress with a probit
  - Estimate the probability of distress by looking at market value of bonds..
- The distress sale value of equity is usually best estimated as a percent of book value (and this value will be lower if the economy is doing badly and there are other firms in the same business also in distress).



#### Adjusting the value of LVS for distress..

- <u>Ratings based approach</u>: In February 2009, Las Vegas Sands was rated B+, and based upon history (previous ten years), the likelihood of default is 28.25%.
- Bond Price based: In February 2009, LVS was rated B+ by S&P. Historically, 28.25% of B+ rated bonds default within 10 years. LVS has a 6.375% bond, maturing in February 2015 (7 years), trading at \$529. If we discount the expected cash flows on the bond at the riskfree rate, we can back out the probability of distress from the bond price:

$$529 = \sum_{t=1}^{t=7} \frac{63.75(1 - \Pi_{\text{Distress}})^{t}}{(1.03)^{t}} + \frac{1000(1 - \Pi_{\text{Distress}})^{7}}{(1.03)^{7}}$$

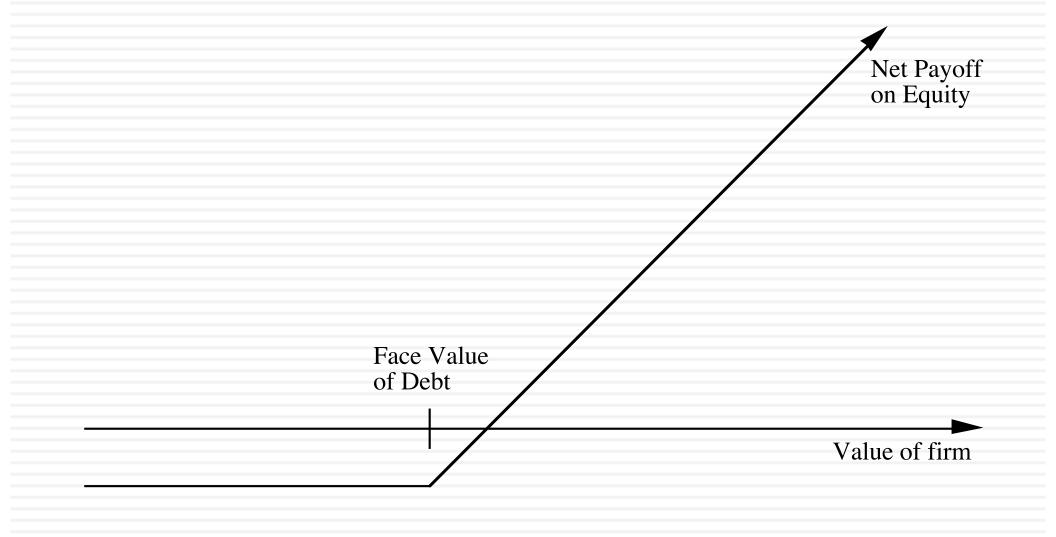
 $\pi_{\text{Distress}}$  = Annual probability of default = 13.54%

Cumulative probability of surviving 10 years =  $(1 - .1354)^{10} = 23.34\%$ 

Cumulative probability of distress over 10 years = 1 - .2334 = .7666 or 76.66%

- If LVS is becomes distressed:
  - Expected distress sale proceeds = \$2,769 million < Face value of debt</p>
  - Expected equity value/share = \$0.00
- Expected value per share
  - □ With ratings-based approach: \$8.12 (.7175) + \$0 (.2825) = \$5.83
  - □ With bond-based approach: \$8.12 (1 .7666) + \$0.00 (.7666) = \$1.92

## The "sunny" side of distress: Equity as a call option to liquidate the firm



### Application to valuation: A simple example

- Assume that you have a firm whose assets are currently valued at \$100 million and that the standard deviation in this asset value is 40%.
- Further, assume that the face value of debt is \$80 million (It is zero coupon debt with 10 years left to maturity).
- □ If the ten-year treasury bond rate is 10%,
  - how much is the equity worth?
  - What should the interest rate on debt be?

#### Model Parameters & Valuation

#### □ The inputs

- Value of the underlying asset = S = Value of the firm = \$ 100 million
- Exercise price = K = Face Value of outstanding debt = \$80 million
- Life of the option = t = Life of zero-coupon debt = 10 years
- Variance in the value of the underlying asset = σ<sup>2</sup> = Variance in firm value = 0.16
- Riskless rate = r = Treasury bond rate corresponding to option life = 10%

#### □ The output

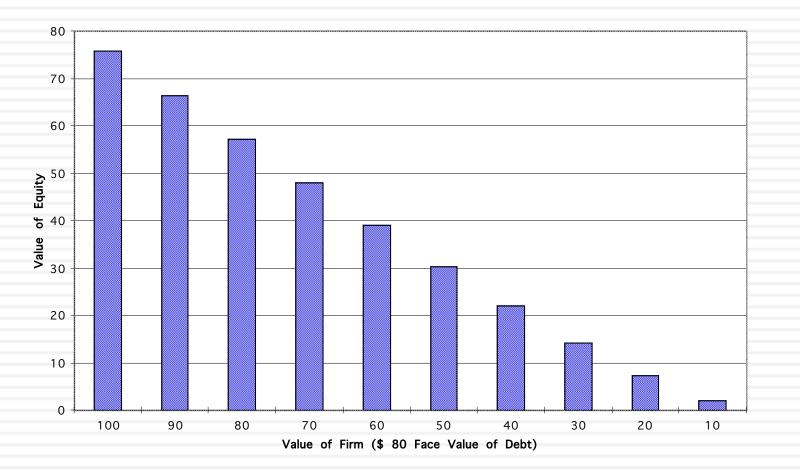
- The Black-Scholes model provides the following value for the call:
  - d1 = 1.5994 N(d1) = 0.9451
     d2 = 0.3345 N(d2) = 0.6310
- □ Value of the call = 100 (0.9451) 80 exp<sup>(-0.10)(10</sup>) (0.6310) = \$75.94 million
- Value of the outstanding debt = \$100 \$75.94 = \$24.06 million
- Interest rate on debt =  $(\$ 80 / \$24.06)^{1/10} 1 = 12.77\%$

#### Firm value drops..

- Assume now that a catastrophe wipes out half the value of this firm (the value drops to \$ 50 million), while the face value of the debt remains at \$ 80 million.
- □ The inputs
  - Value of the underlying asset = S = Value of the firm = \$50 million
  - All the other inputs remain unchanged
- □ The output
  - Based upon these inputs, the Black-Scholes model provides the following value for the call:
    - d1 = 1.0515 N(d1) = 0.8534
    - d2 = -0.2135 N(d2) = 0.4155
  - □ Value of the call = 50 (0.8534) 80  $exp^{(-0.10)(10)}$  (0.4155) = \$30.44 million
  - Value of the bond= \$50 \$30.44 = \$19.56 million

#### Equity value persists .. As firm value declines..

Value of Equity as Firm Value Changes



### **III. Valuing Financial Service Companies**

Existing assets are usually financial assets or loans, often marked to market. Earnings do not provide much information on underlying risk.	Defining capital expenditures and working challenge.Growth can be strongly influence regulatory limits and constraints. Both the a new investments and the returns on these can change with regulatory changes. What is the value added by growth assets?	ed by amount of
What are the cashflows from existing assets? Preferred stock is a significant source of capital. What is the value of equity in the firm?	How risky are the cash flows from both existing assets and growth assets? For financial service firms, debt is raw material rather than a source of capital. It is not only tough to define but if defined broadly can result in high financial leverage, magnifying the impact of small operating risk	When will the firm become a mature fiirm, and what are the potential roadblocks? In addition to all the normal constraints, financial service firms also have to worry about maintaining capital ratios that are acceptable ot regulators. If they do not, they can be taken

# Lesson 1: Debt to a bank is raw material, not a source of capital

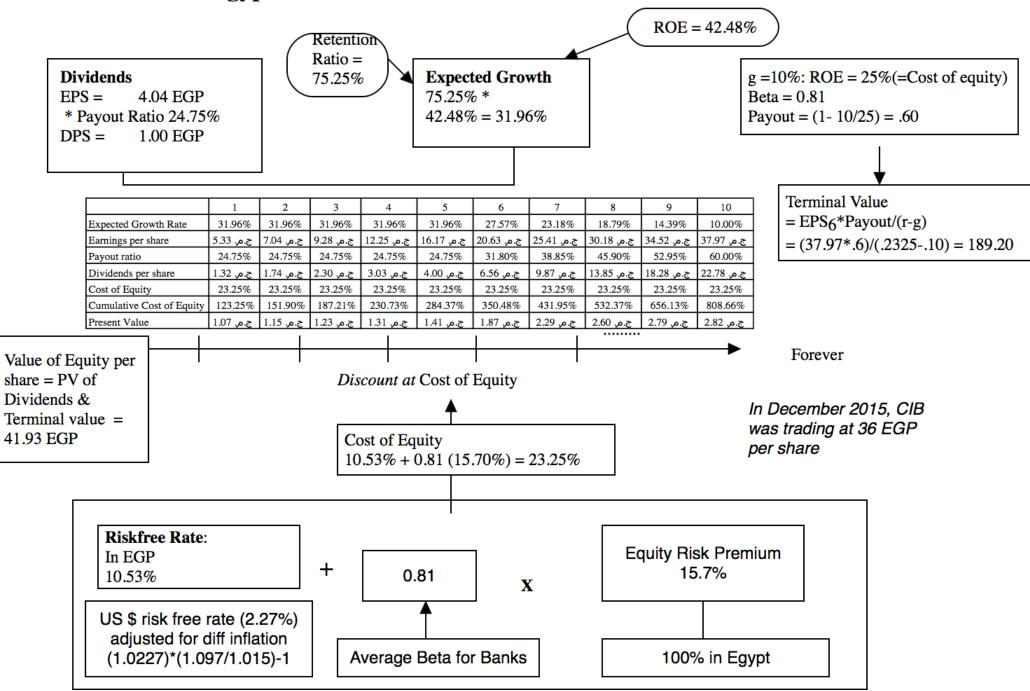
- With conventional firms, you often face a choice of either valuing the entire business (using cash flows to the firm and a cost of capital) or valuing equity.
   Often, valuing the firm is both easier and more robust, and you subtract out debt to get to value of equity.
- With financial service firms, valuing the firm is often a non-starter, since debt to a bank is not a source of capital but raw material.

Status Quo 1: When you value a bank, it is almost always on an equity basis.

# Lesson 2: Estimating cash flows for a bank is difficult to do..

- Assuming that you want to go down the road of valuing equity using a DCF, the standard definition of cash flows is
  - FCFE = Net Income + Depreciation Cap Ex Change in Noncash Working Capital
- Defining cap ex and working capital for a bank is close to impossible. Consequently, most analysts give up and make one of the two following choices:
  - The indefensible: Discount earnings at the cost of equity, which gives you basically nothing.
  - The defensible: Discount dividends at the cost of equity
- Status Quo 2: The dividend discount model's last stand was with financial service companies.

#### **CIB Egypt in December 2015** Valuation in Egyptian Pounds



## Lesson 3: For financial service companies, book value matters...

- The book value of assets and equity is mostly irrelevant when valuing non-financial service companies. After all, the book value of equity is a historical figure and can be nonsensical. (The book value of equity can be negative and is so for more than a 1000 publicly traded US companies)
- With financial service firms, book value of equity is relevant for two reasons:
  - Since financial service firms mark to market, the book value is more likely to reflect what the firms own right now (rather than a historical value)
  - The regulatory capital ratios are based on book equity. Thus, a bank with negative or even low book equity will be shut down by the regulators.
- From a valuation perspective, it therefore makes sense to pay heed to book value. In fact, you can argue that reinvestment for a bank is the amount that it needs to add to book equity to sustain its growth ambitions and safety requirements:
  - FCFE = Net Income Reinvestment in regulatory capital (book equity)

#### Deutsche Bank: A Crisis Valuation (October 2016)

-	ed assets grows at f 1% a year forever.						[	Tier 1	capital		creases ile for a			e 75th
$\setminus$		Current	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Risk Adjusted Assets	\$ 445,570	\$ 450,026	\$ 454,526	\$ 459,071	\$ 463,662	\$ 468,299	\$ 472,982	\$ 477,711	\$ 482,488	\$ 487,313	\$ 492,186		
Expected DOJ	Tier 1 Capital Ratio	12.41%	13.74%	13.95%	14.17%	14.38%	14.60%	14.81%	15.03%	15.24%	15.46%	15.67%	•	
fine of \$10	Tier 1 Capital (Risk Adjusted Assets *	\$55,282	\$61,834	\$63,427	\$65,045	\$66,690	\$68,361	\$70,059	\$71,784	\$73,537	\$75,317	\$77,126		
billions lower	Change in regulatory capital (Tier 1)		\$6,552	\$1,593	\$1,619	\$1,645	\$1,671	\$1,698	\$1,725	\$1,753	\$1,780	\$1,809		
Tier 1 capital	Book Equity	\$64,609	\$71,161	\$72,754	\$74,372	\$76,017	\$77,688	\$79,386	\$81,111	\$82,864	\$84,644	\$86,453		
today /	×													
	Expected ROE	-13.70%	-7.18%	-2.84%	0.06%	1.99%	5.85%	6.568%	7.286%	8.004%	8.722%	9.440%		
	Net Income (Book Equity * ROE)	\$ (8,851)	\$ (5,111)	\$ (2,065)	\$ 43	\$ 1,512	\$ 4,545			\$ 6,632	\$ 7,383	\$ 8,161		
Common	- Investment in Regulatory Capital		\$ 6,552	\$ 1,593	\$ 1,619	\$ 1,645					\$ 1,780	\$ 1,809		
Equity	FCFE		\$ (11,663)	\$ (3,658)	\$ (1,576)	\$ (133)	\$ 2,874	\$ 3,516	\$ 4,185	\$ 4,880	\$ 5,602	\$ 6,352		
increases in	Terminal value of equity											\$87,317		
tandem with	Present value		\$ (10,583)	\$ (3,012)	\$ (1,178)	\$ (90)	\$ 1,768	\$ 1,966	\$ 2,129	\$ 2,262	\$ 2,370	\$ 36,207		
Tier 1 capital	Cost of equity	10.20%	10.20%	10.20%	10.20%	10.20%	10.20%	10.048%	9.896%	9.744%	9.592%	9.440%		
/	Cumulative Cost of equity		1.1020	1.2144	1.3383	1.4748	1.6252	1.7885	1.9655	2.1570	2.3639	2.5871		
/	Value of equity today =	\$31,838.74												
Cost of equity	Number of shares outstanding =	1386.00		Value	er shar	e adjus	ted for							
starts at 10.2%	DCF Value per share =	\$ 22.97				catastro								
(75th percentile	Probability of equity wipeout	10.00%				t) result			Deturn		n inere		E OEO/	(OEth
of banks) &	Adjusted value per share =	\$ 20.67			•	ss of eq	-		Return					
decreases after	Stock price on October 3, 2016=	\$ 13.33		00111		00 01 04	uny.		percer		anks) ir			44%
year 5 to 9.44%										(COSI C	of equity	) in yea	110	
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### A Valuation of Citi in May 2023

Stoday and Low-profitability	Bank, with investment potential	

Citi has fallen behind its biggest rivals on growth and profitability, and investors have built in their low regard for it into its pricing. In my story, Ciit will continue on its cautious path of low growth, while earning a return on equity that is well below its cost of equity, but it is well capitalized (even with the write downs on investment securities that may be coming) and continues to earn a lucrative spread on its core banking businesss.

	Current	1	2	3	4	5	Steady state	Estimation notes		
Risk Adjusted Assets	\$1,142,985	\$1,177,275	\$1,212,593	\$1,248,971	\$1,286,440	\$1,325,033	\$1,364,784	Grows 3% a year in perpetuity		
Tier 1 Capital ratio	14.80%	14.84%	14.88%	14.92%	14.96%	15.00%	15.00%	Improves to 15% over 5 years		
Tier 1 Capital	\$169,145	\$174,694	\$180,423	\$186,339	\$192,448	\$198,755	\$204,718	Risk Adjusted Assets * Tier 1 Capital Ratio		
Change in regulatory capital (Tier 1)		\$5,549	\$5,729	\$5,916	\$6,109	\$6,307	\$5,963	Change in Tier 1 capital from year to year		
Book Equity	\$182,194	\$187,743	\$193,472	\$199,388	\$205,497	\$211,804	\$218,158	Book equity + (Net Income - FCFE)		
ROE	8.78%	8.92%	9.07%	9.21%	9.36%	9.50%	9.50%	Improves to 9.5% (5-year average) over time		
Net Income	\$14,845	\$16,254	\$17,021	\$17,820	\$18,653	\$19,522	\$20,121	Book Equity * ROE		
- Investment in Regulatory Capital		\$5,549	\$5,729	\$5,916	\$6,109	\$6,307	\$6,354	Change in regulatory capital		
FCFE		\$10,705	\$11,291	\$11,904	\$12,545	\$13,215	\$13,767	Net Income - Change in regulatory capital		
Terminal value of equity						158,791.87€		3% growth in perpetuity on steady state CF		
Present value		9,586.43 €	9,054.51 €	8,548.36 €	8,067.12€	99,051.91 €		PV of cash flows (and terminal equity value)		
Cost of equity	11.67%	11.67%	11.67%	11.67%	11.67%	11.67%	11.67%	Implied cost of equity of 25 biggest banks		
Value of equity today =	\$134,308	/								
Number of shares outstanding =	1958.30			Implied co	st of equity	for big bank	s			
Value per share =	\$68.58		Median price to book = 1.04							
Stock price in May 2023 =	\$46.32		Median ROE in 2022 = 12.00%							
% Under or over valued =	-32.46%	Expected growth rate = 3.3% (equal to T.Bond rate)								
			PBV 1.04 Solvin	= (.12033)	(Cost of equ (Cost of equ quity = 11.67	uity033)				

#### IV. Valuing cyclical and commodity companies

Company growth often comes from movements in the economic cycle, for cyclical firms, or commodity prices, for commodity companies.

What is the value added by growth assets?

What are the cashflows from existing assets?

Historial revenue and earnings data are volatile, as the economic cycle and commodity prices change. How risky are the cash flows from both existing assets and growth assets?

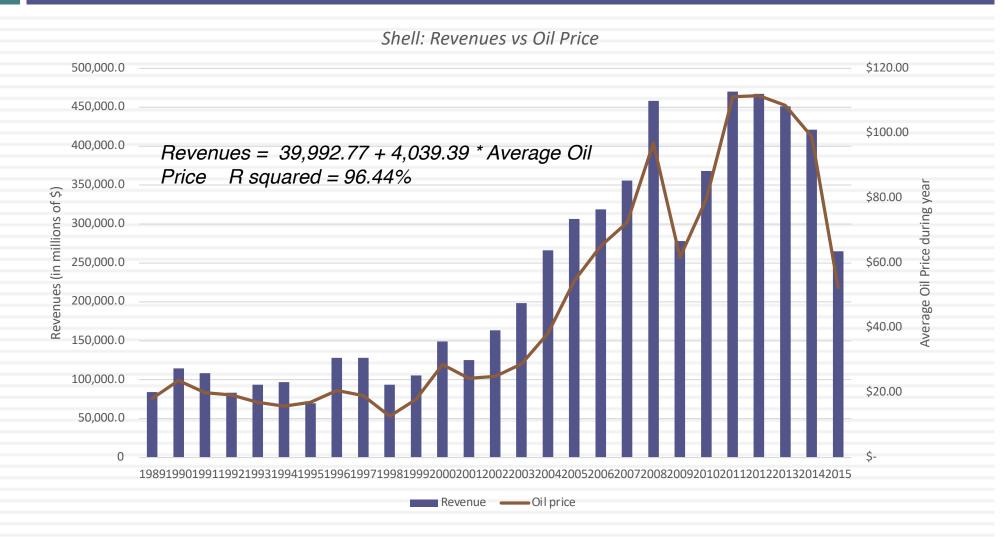
Primary risk is from the economy for cyclical firms and from commodity price movements for commodity companies. These risks can stay dormant for long periods of apparent prosperity. When will the firm become a mature fiirm, and what are the potential roadblocks?

For commodity companies, the fact that there are only finite amounts of the commodity may put a limit on growth forever. For cyclical firms, there is the peril that the next recession may put an end to the firm.

## Lesson 1: With "macro" companies, it is easy to get lost in "macro" assumptions...

- With cyclical and commodity companies, it is undeniable that the value you arrive at will be affected by your views on the economy or the price of the commodity.
- Consequently, you will feel the urge to take a stand on these macro variables and build them into your valuation. Doing so, though, will create valuations that are jointly impacted by your views on macro variables and your views on the company, and it is difficult to separate the two.
- The best (though not easiest) thing to do is to separate your macro views from your micro views. Use current market based numbers for your valuation, but then provide a separate assessment of what you think about those market numbers.

#### Shell's Revenues & Oil Prices



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#### Shell: A "Oil Price" Neutral Valuation: March 2016

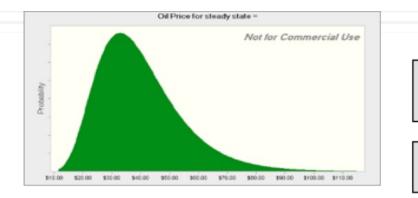
Revenue calculated from prevailing oil price of \$40/barrel in March 2016 Revenue = 39992.77+4039.40\*\$40 = \$201,569

Compounded revenue growth of 3.91% a year, based on Shell's historical revenue growth rate from 2000 to 2015

		Base Year	1		2		3		4		5	Те	rminal Year		
Revenues	\$	201,569	\$ 209,450	\$	217,639	\$	226,149	\$	234,991	\$	244,180	\$	249,063	Г	Operating
Operating Margin		3.01%	6.18%		7.76%		8.56%		8.95%		9.35%		9.35%	1	margin
Operating Income	\$	6,065.00	\$ 12,942.85	\$	16,899.10	\$	19,352.39	\$	21,040.39	\$	22,830.80	\$	23,287.41		converges on
Effective tax rate	_	30.00%	30.00%		30.00%	_	30.00%		30.00%		30.00%		30.00%		Shell's historical
AT Operating Income	\$	4,245.50	\$ 9,060.00	\$	11,829.37	\$	13,546.68	\$	14,728.27	\$	15,981.56	\$	16,301.19		average margin
+ Depreciation	\$	26,714.00	\$ 27,759	\$	28,844	\$	29,972	\$	31,144	\$	32,361				of 9.35% from
- Cap Ex	\$	31,854.00	\$ 33,099	\$	34,394	\$	35,738	\$	37,136	\$	38,588				200-2015
- Chg in WC			\$ 472.88	\$	491.37	\$	510.58	\$	530.55	\$	551.29				200 2010
FCFF			\$ 3,246.14	\$	5,788.19	\$	7,269.29	\$	8,205.44	\$	9,203.68	\$	13,011.34		
Terminal Value										\$	216,855.71				
Return on capital													12.37%		
Cost of Capital			9.91%		9.91%		9.91%		9.91%		9.91%		8.00%	-	Return on
Cumulated Discount Factor			1.0991		1.2080		1.3277		1.4593		1.6039			_	capital reverts
Present Value			\$ 2,953.45	\$	4,791.47	\$	5,474.95	\$	5,622.81	\$	140,940.73				and stays at
Value of Operating Assets	\$	159,783.41													Shell's historic
+ Cash	\$	31,752.00												_	average of
+ Cross Holdings	\$	33,566.00									12.37% from				
- Debt	\$	58,379.00	subtracted out minority interest in consolidated 200-2015									200-2015			
- Minority Interets	\$	1,245.00	holdings.												
Value of Equity	\$	165,477.41													
Number of shares		4209.7													
Value per share	\$	39.31													

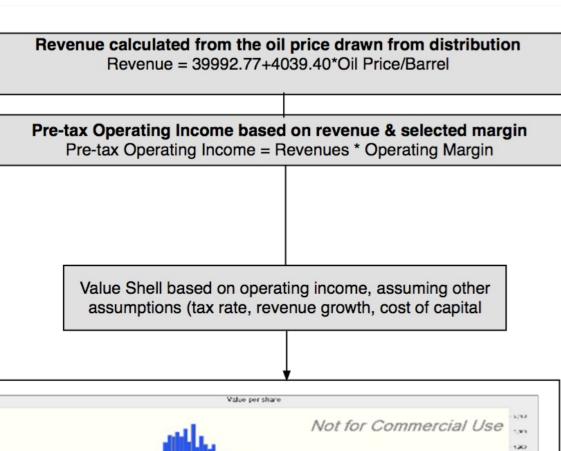
## Lesson 2: Use probabilistic tools to assess value as a function of macro variables...

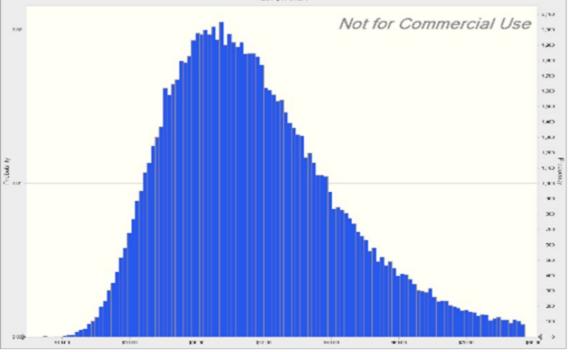
- If there is a key macro variable affecting the value of your company that you are uncertain about (and who is not), why not quantify the uncertainty in a distribution (rather than a single price) and use that distribution in your valuation.
- That is exactly what you do in a Monte Carlo simulation, where you allow one or more variables to be distributions and compute a distribution of values for the company.
- With a simulation, you get not only everything you would get in a standard valuation (an estimated value for your company) but you will get additional output (on the variation in that value and the likelihood that your firm is under or over valued)



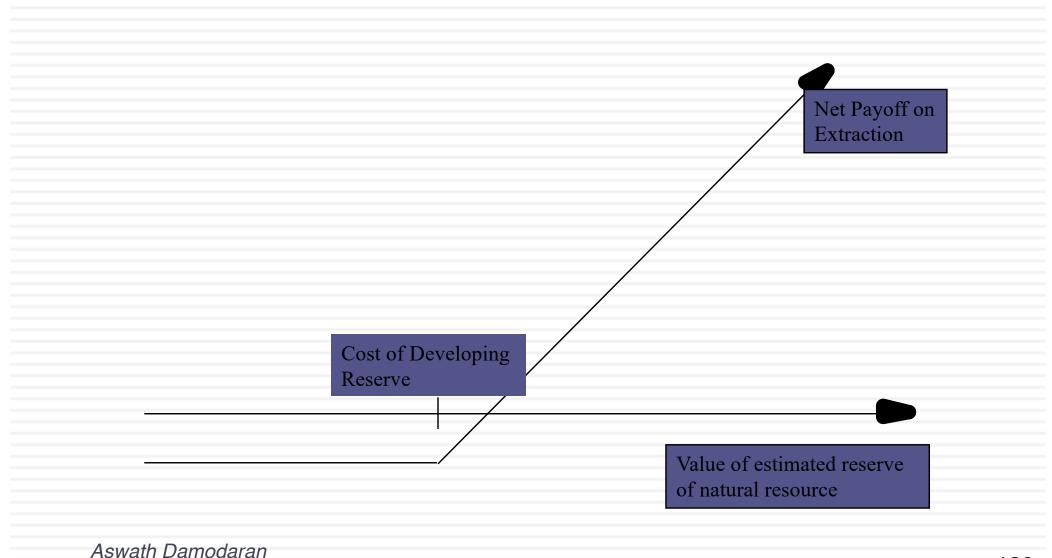


Percentiles:	Forecast values
0%	\$6.55
10%	\$23.90
20%	\$27.73
30%	\$30.89
40%	\$33.88
50%	\$36.99
60%	\$40.28
70%	\$44.22
80%	\$49.24
90%	\$57.49
<b>1</b> 00%	\$197.11





### The optionality in commodities: Undeveloped reserves as an option



### Implications

- Optionality Premium: Undeveloped reserves have option value that will give them a premium over their DCF value. Put simply, even non-viable reserves have value, because commodity prices can bounce back.
  - The option premium will be greater when commodity prices are low, rather than when oil prices are high.
  - The option premium will increase if commodity prices are expected to become more volatile.
- Level + Variance: The value of a commodity company is affected by both the level of oil prices, as well as the volatility in that level. The former affects your DCF and the latter the optionality.

## V. Valuing Companies across the ownership cycle

Reported income and balance sheet are heavily affected by tax considerations rather than information disclosure requirements. The line between the personal and business expenses is a fine one.

What are the cashflows from existing assets? - Equity: Cashflows after debt payments - Firm: Cashflows before debt payments

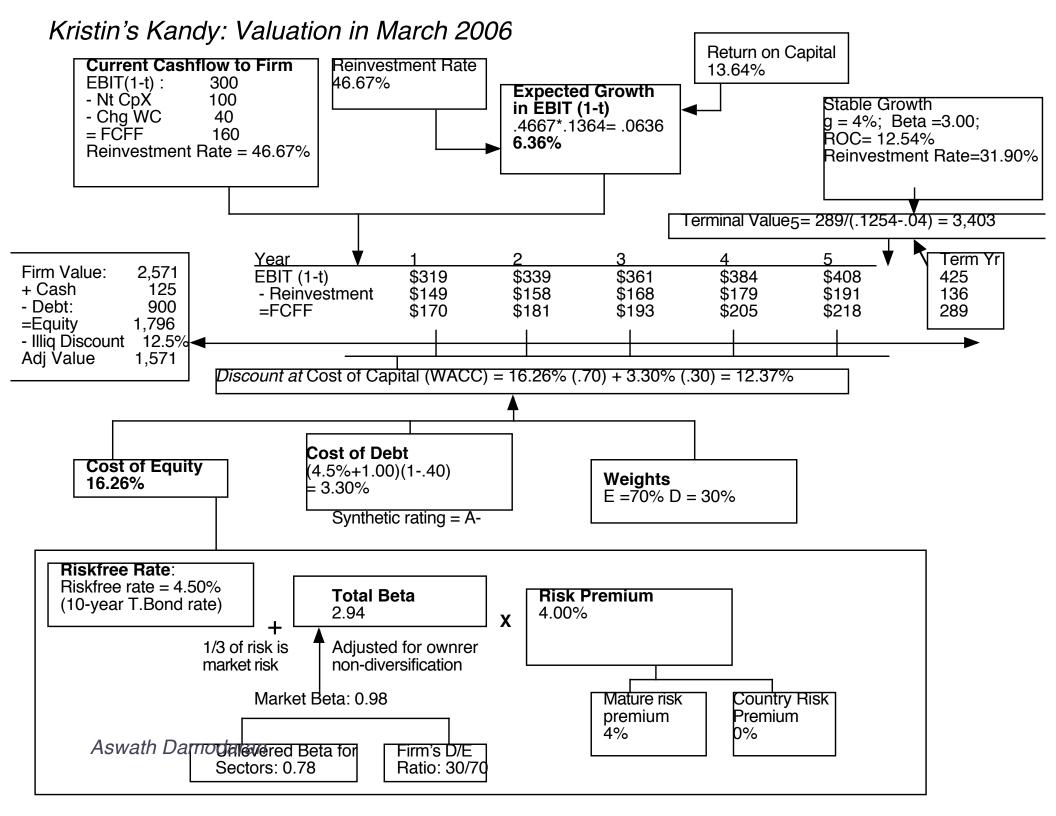
> Reversing investment mistakes is difficult to do. The need for and the cost of illiquidity has to be incorporated into current

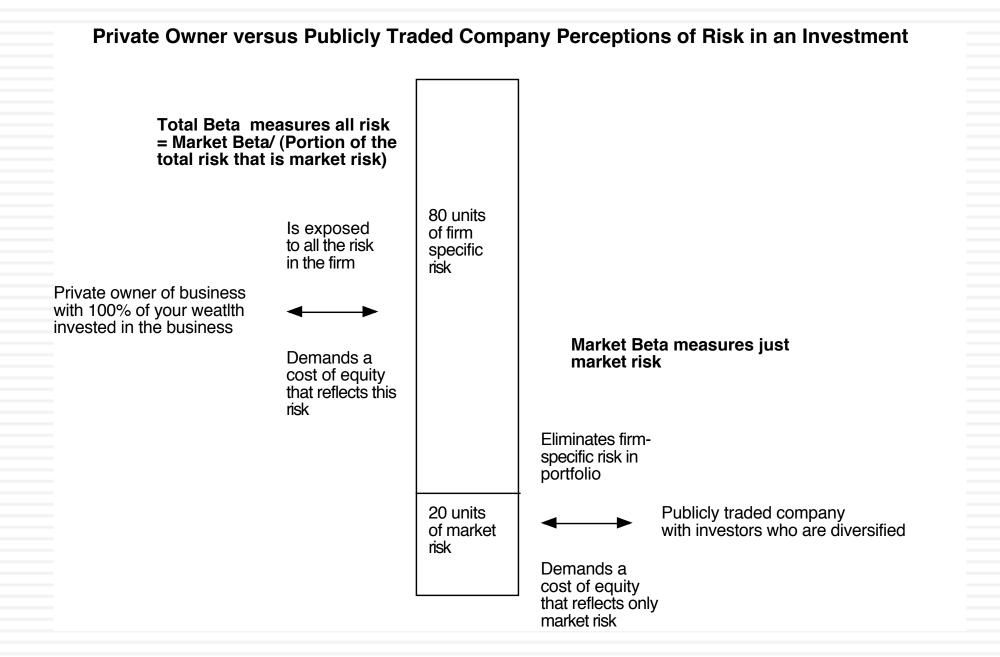
What is the **value added** by growth assets? Equity: Growth in equity earnings/ cashflows Firm: Growth in operating earnings/ cashflows

How **risky are the cash flows** from both existing assets and growth assets? Equity: Risk in equity in the company Firm: Risk in the firm's operations

Different buyers can perceive risk differently in the same private business, largely because what they see as risk will be a function of how diversified they are. The fall back positions of using market prices to extract risk measures does not When will the firm become a **mature fiirm**, and what are the potential roadblocks?

Many private businesses are finite life enterprises, not expected to last into perpetuity





### Total Risk versus Market Risk

- Adjust the beta to reflect total risk rather than market risk. This adjustment is a relatively simple one, since the R squared of the regression measures the proportion of the risk that is market risk.
  - Total Beta = Market Beta / Correlation of the sector with the market
- To estimate the beta for Kristin Kandy, we begin with the bottom-up unlevered beta of food processing companies:
  - Unlevered beta for publicly traded food processing companies = 0.78
  - Average correlation of food processing companies with market = 0.333
  - Unlevered total beta for Kristin Kandy = 0.78/0.333 = 2.34
  - Debt to equity ratio for Kristin Kandy = 0.3/0.7 (assumed industry average)
  - Total Beta = 2.34 (1-(1-.40)(30/70)) = 2.94
  - **•** Total Cost of Equity = 4.50% + 2.94 (4%) = 16.26%

### Lesson 2: With financials, trust but verify..

- Different Accounting Standards: The accounting statements for private firms are often based upon different accounting standards than public firms, which operate under much tighter constraints on what to report and when to report.
- Intermingling of personal and business expenses: In the case of private firms, some personal expenses may be reported as business expenses.
- Separating "Salaries" from "Dividends": It is difficult to tell where salaries end and dividends begin in a private firm, since they both end up with the owner.
- The Key person issue: In some private businesses, with a personal component, the cashflows may be intertwined with the owner being part of the business.

## Lesson 3: Illiquidity is a clear and present danger..

In private company valuation, illiquidity is a constant theme. All the talk, though, seems to lead to a rule of thumb. The illiquidity discount for a private firm is between 20-30% and does not vary across private firms.

#### But illiquidity should vary across:

- Companies: Healthier and larger companies, with more liquid assets, should have smaller discounts than money-losing smaller businesses with more illiquid assets.
- Time: Liquidity is worth more when the economy is doing badly and credit is tough to come by than when markets are booming.
- Buyers: Liquidity is worth more to buyers who have shorter time horizons and greater cash needs than for longer term investors who don't need the cash and are willing to hold the investment.

### Estimating an Illiquidity Discount

- 1. <u>The Bludgeon Approach</u>: Many practitioners use a fixed illiquidity discount, often around 25%, to reduce the values of all private business, no matter who the buyer, what the firm looks like or market conditions.
- 2. <u>The Refined Bludgeon Approach</u>: Start with a fixed discount, but alter it (subjectively or numerically) to reflect business, buyer and market conditions.
- 3. <u>Illiquidity as an option</u>: In a sense, liquidity provides the option to an asset's holder to sell at the prevailing market price, and not having it therefore can be viewed as the loss of this put option.
- 4. <u>The Bid Ask Spread Variant</u>: All investments, including the most liquid publicly traded stock, are illiquid, with the bid ask spread (as percent of the price) representing the magnitude of the illiquidity.

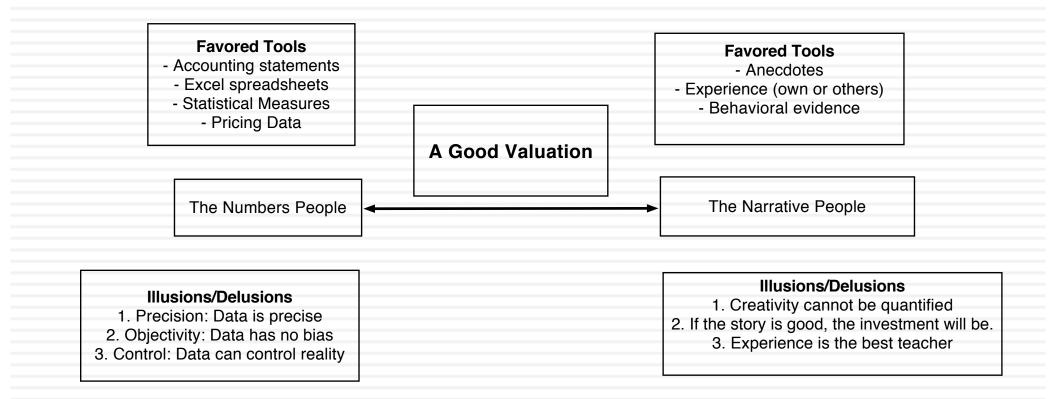
#### And it is not just in private businesses..

- Assume that you are valuing a closely held company in a lightly traded market. Will the possibility of illiquidity affect your valuation of the company?
- a. Yes
- b. No
- □ If it will affect your valuation, how will it show up?
- If it will not affect your valuation, how would it show up in your investment process?

## NARRATIVE AND NUMBERS: VALUATION AS A BRIDGE

Work on your weak side...

#### Valuation = Stories + Numbers

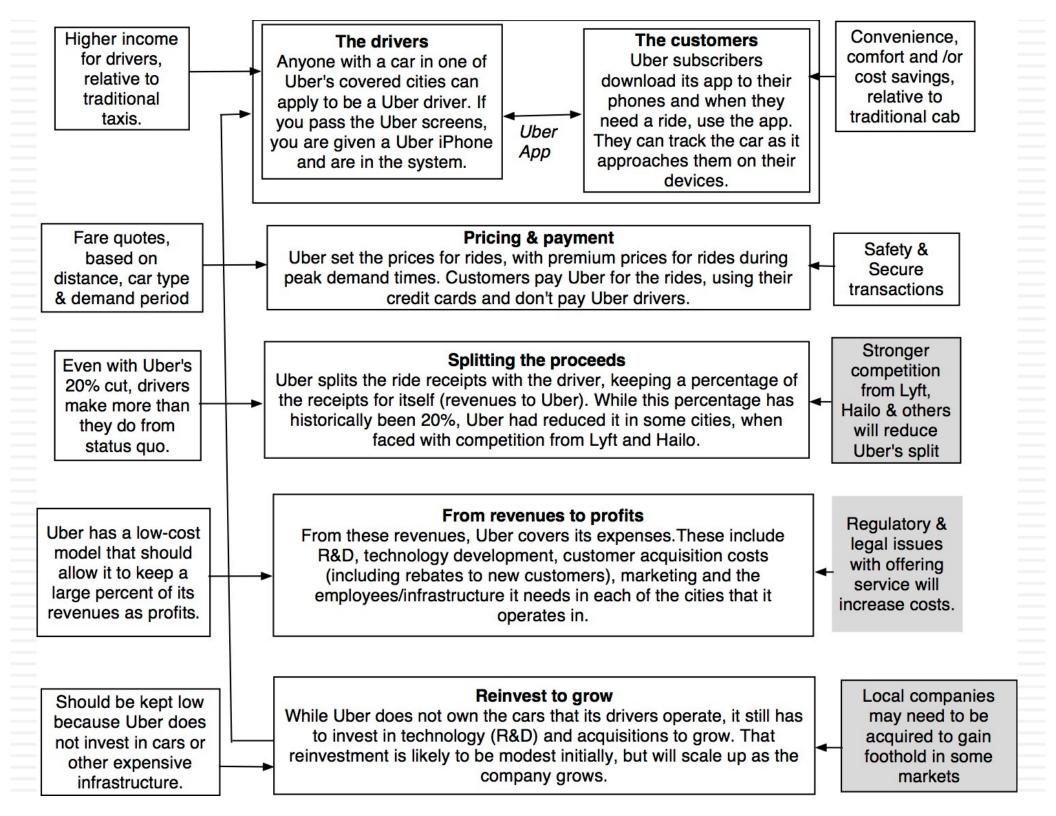


### From Story to Numbers: The Steps

┍╼	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 time.
	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.



### Zomato: The Indian Online Food Delivery Business

- Transaction Fees: The bulk of Zomato's revenues come from the transactions on its platform, from food ordering and delivery, as the company keeps a percentage of the total order value for itself. While Zomato's revenue slice varies across restaurants, decreasing with restaurant profile and reach, it remains about 20-25% of gross order value.
- <u>Advertising</u>: Restaurants that list on Zomato have to pay a fixed fee to get listed, but they can also spend more on advertising, based upon customer visits and resetting revenues, to get additional visibility.
- Subscriptions to Zomato Gold (Pro): Zomato also offers a subscription service, and subscribers to Zomato Gold (now Zomato Pro) get discounts on food and faster deliveries. The service was initiated in 2017 and it had 1.5 million plus members in 2021, delivering subscription revenues of 600 million rupees (a little less than \$ 10 million, and less than 5% of overall revenues) in 2021.
- <u>Restaurant Raw Material</u>: In 2018, Zomato introduced HyperPure, a service directed at restaurants, offering groceries and meats that are source-checked for quality.

#### The Indian Food Delivery Market

	India		China	Un	ited States	EU
General		1. J.				
GDP in 2020 (in trillions of US \$)	\$ 2.71	\$	14.70	\$	20.93	\$ 15.17
Population (millions)	1360		1430		330	445
Per Capital GDP	\$ 1,993	\$	10,280	\$	63,424	\$ 34,090
Number of restaurants (in 000s)	1000		9000		660	890
Food Delivery						
Online Access (percent	43%		63%		88%	90%
Online Food Delivery Users (millions)	50.00		450.00		105.00	150.00
Online Food Delivery Market (\$ million) in 2019	\$ 4,200	\$	90,000	\$	21,000	\$ 15,000
Online Food Delivery Market (\$ million) in 2020	\$ 2,900	\$	110,000	\$	49,000	\$ 13,800

## Indian Market Size, adjusted for income and digital reach...

<u>Lower per-capita income</u>: Eating out and prosperity don't always go hand in hand, but you are more likely to eat out, as your discretionary income rises..

<u>Less digital reach</u>: To use online restaurant services, you first need to be online, and digital reach in India, in spite of advances in recent years, lags digital reach in China, and is about half the reach in the US and the EU.

<u>Eating habits</u>: Looking across the regions, it seems clear that there is a third factor at play, <u>a pre-disposition to eat out in the populace</u>.

	Indian Per C	Capita GDP as 🤅	% of China Per	Capita GDP
	25%	50%	75%	100%
Current Internet access	\$5,417	\$10,834	\$16,250	\$21,667
China-level Internet access	\$7,936	\$15,872	\$23,809	\$31,745
US-level Internet access	\$11,085	\$22,171	\$33,256	\$44,342

#### 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

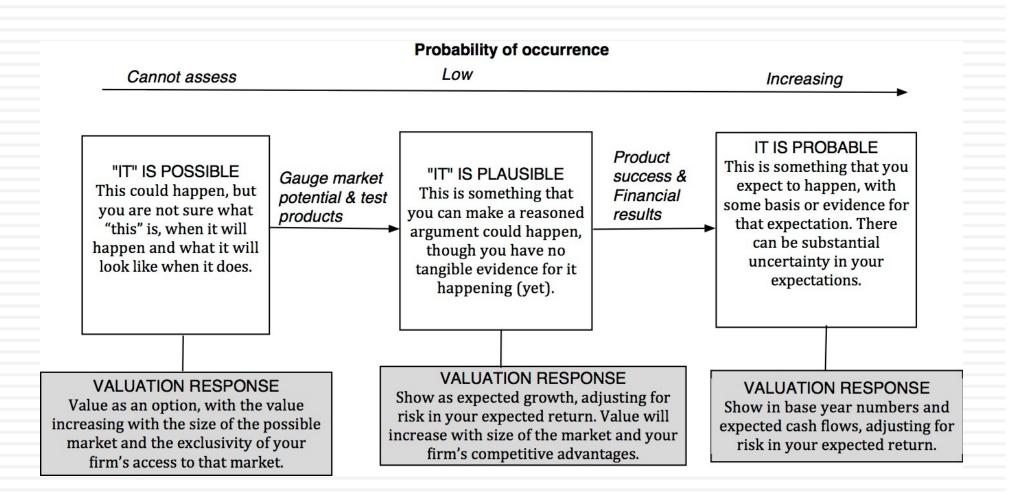
In June 2014, my initial narrative for Uber was that it would be

- 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 <u>would expand the business moderately (about 40%</u> over ten years) by bringing in new users.
- 3. 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 <u>competitive advantages</u> (from being a first mover).
- 5. And <u>its existing low-capital business model</u>, with drivers as contractors and very little investment in infrastructure.

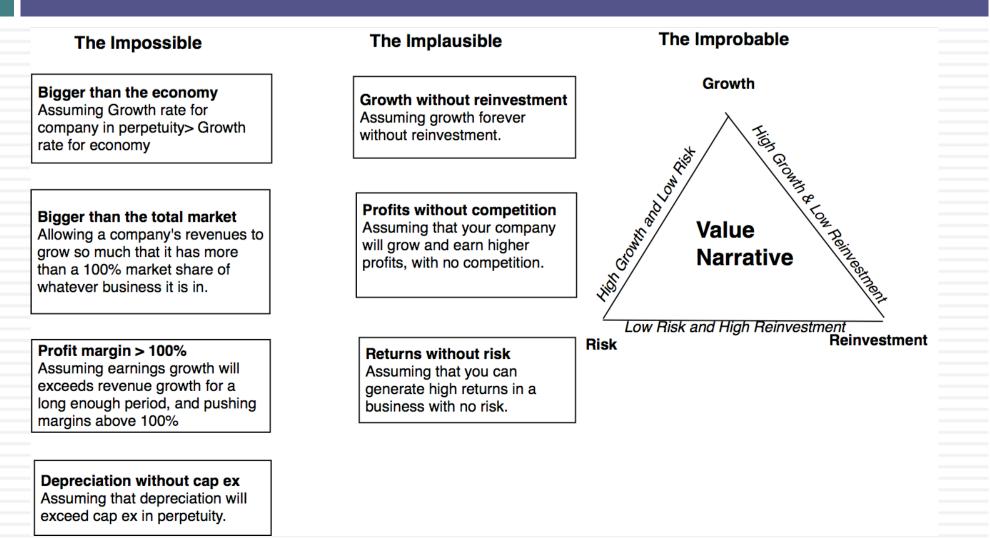
#### The Zomato Narrative

- Zomato will continue to maintain a dominant market share of the Indian food delivery market, as that market increases in size almost ten-fold over the next decade. Zomato's forays in foreign markets in the food delivery business will provide only supplemental revenues and will be less profitable than their Indian food delivery business.
- Zomato may be able to expand into the grocery delivery market, but the revenue take rate in that market will be significantly lower than in food delivery.
- As Zomato scales up, economies of scale will allow the company's margins to converge on the high levels earned by intermediary businesses.

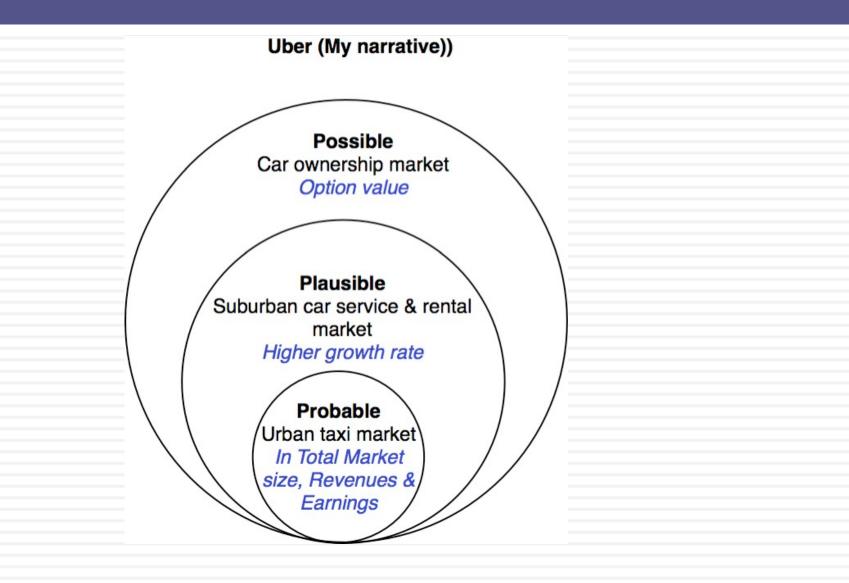
## Step 2: Check the narrative against history, economic first principles & common sense



# The Impossible, The Implausible and the Improbable



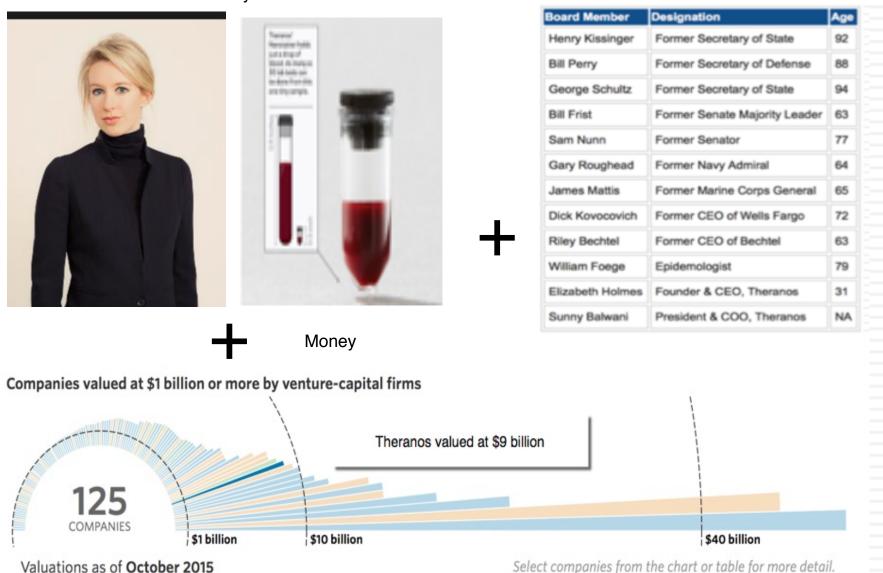
#### Uber: Possible, Plausible and Probable



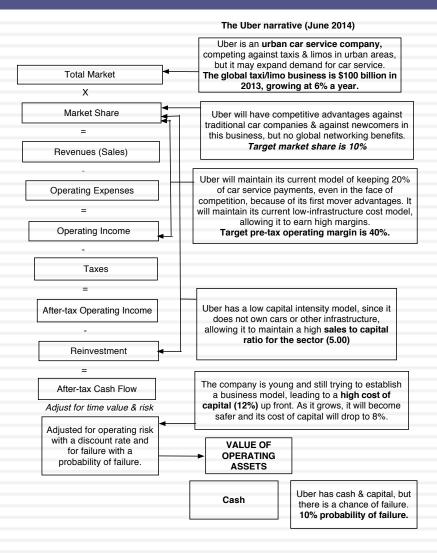
#### The Impossible: The Runaway Story

The Checks (?)

The Story



## Step 3: Connect your narrative to key drivers of value

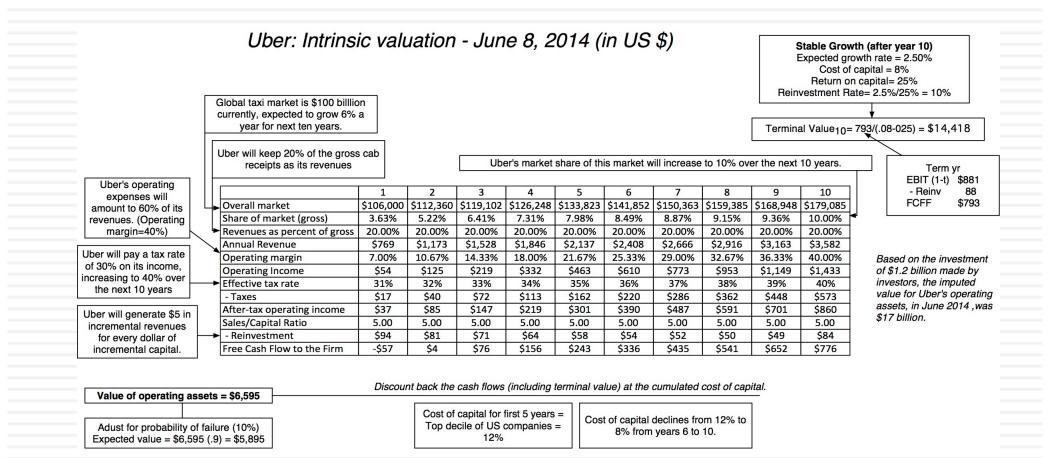


#### Zomato: Narrative to Numbers

- <u>Total Market</u>:, I find it hard to see the *total market exceeding \$40 billion, with US \$20-\$30 billion, in ten years,* being a more likely outcome. (In rupee terms, this will translate into a market that is roughly 1800-2000 billion INR.)
- Market Share: Expecting any company to have a market share that exceeds 40% of this market is a reach, and I will assume that Zomato will be one of the winners/survivors
- <u>Revenue Share</u>: That number was 23.13% in FY 2020, but dropped to 21.03% in FY 2021, as shut downs put a crimp on business. I will assume a *partial bounce back to 22% of GOV*, starting in 2022, but the presence of Amazon Food will prevent a return to higher values in the future.
- Profitability: I will assume that pre-tax operating margins will trend towards 30%, largely because I believe that the market will be dominated by a few big players, but with the very real possibility that one rogue player that is unwilling to play the game can upend profitability.
- <u>Reinvestment</u>: One of the advantages of being an intermediary business is that you can grow with relatively little capital investment, defined in conventional form (as plant, equipment or manufacturing facilities). That said, reinvestment takes a different form for online intermediaries, like Zomato, with investments in technology and in acquisitions, driving future growth.
- <u>Risk</u>: In terms of operating risk, the company, in spite of its global ambitions, is still primarily an Indian company, dependent on Indian macroeconomic growth to succeed, and my rupee cost of capital will incorporate the country risk. Zomato is a money losing company, but it is no start-up, facing imminent failure. Overall, I will attach a likelihood of failure of 10%, reflecting this balance.

#### Step 4: Value the company (Uber)





Zomato

#### The Story

Zomato will benefit as the Indian food delivery market grows, driven by overall economic growth and more digital access, and it will be one of a few (two or three) players who will dominate the market; there will be a near term COVID bouncecback effect. While Amazon Food remains the wild card, economies of scales will allow the company to generate high operating margins, and the company will continue to reinvest (acquisitions and technology) as it grows. The risk of failure is low, given the company's post-IPO cash balance and access to capital and its operating risk reflects its exposure to Indian country risk.

			The	Assumptions		
	Base year	Next year	Years 2-5	Years 6-10	After year 10	Link to story
						Indian food market rebounds in 2021 and
Indian Food Delivery	₹225,000	₹337,500	30.00%	15.27%	₹1,961,979	growsto about \$25 billion in year 10
						Zomato is one of two or three lead players
Market Share	42.15%	41.72%		▶ 40.00%	40.00%	in Indian food delivery market
Revenues as % of GOV	21.03%	22.00%			22.00%	
			Total Market * Mar	ket Share* Revenue as		COVID rebound in 2021 + Growth in food
Revenues (a)	₹19,937.89	₹ 30,975	% (	of GOV	₹172,654	delivery market in India long term
Operating margin (b)	-24.10%	-10.0%	-10.00% —	→ 35.00%	35.00%	Margins improve as growth wanes
Tax rate	30.00%			→ 30.00%	30.00%	Indian corporate tax rate over time
						Acquisitions & technology investments
Reinvestment (c )		5.00	2.50	3.00	35.42%	needed to sustain growth
		5.00	2.50	5.00	00.12/0	Newworking benefits allow for high ROIC,
Return on capital	-7.15%	Marginal ROIC =	10	7.01%	12.00%	near and long term.
	-7.1570					
Cost of capital (d)			10.25%	→ 8.97% e Cash Flows	8.97%	Cost of capital reflects Indian country risk
I	Total Market	Market Share	Revenues	EBIT (1-t)	Reinvestment	FCFF
1	₹337,500	41.72%	₹ 30,974.78	-₹3,097.48	₹2,207.38	
	₹438,750			-< 3,097.48 ₹498.16	₹ 3,551.25	
2 3	₹570,375	41.29% 40.86%	₹39,852.91 ₹51,270.19	₹3,247.17	₹4,566.91	₹ 3,053.09 _₹ 1,319.74
4	₹741,488	40.88%		₹ 5,770.72	₹5,872.35	-₹1,519.74
5	₹963,934	40.43%	₹65,951.07 ₹84,826.17	₹ 10,762.32	₹6,291.70	₹ 4,470.62
6	₹ 1,203,471	40.00%	₹105,905.47	₹ 14,994.01	₹7,026.43	₹7,967.57
7	₹ 1,440,555	40.00%	₹126,768.85	₹ 24,503.10	₹ 6,954.46	₹17,548.64
8	₹1,650,156	40.00%	₹145,213.72	₹ 35,577.36	₹6,148.29	₹29,429.07
9	₹1,805,271	40.00%	₹158,863.81	₹38,921.63	₹4,550.03	₹34,371.60
10	₹1,881,995	40.00%	₹165,615.52	₹40,575.80	₹2,250.57	₹38,325.23
Terminal year	₹1,961,979	40.00%	₹172,654.18	₹42,300.27	₹14,981.35	₹27,318.93
Terminal value			₹578,790.83	The Value		
PV(Terminal value) PV (CF over next 10 years	١		₹225,869.40			
Value of operating assets	1		₹50,979.90 ₹276,849.30			
Adjustment for distress	-			Probability of failure =	-	10.00%
- Debt & Minority Intere	ctc		₹13,842.46 ₹1,591.72	Frobability of failure =		10.00%
				Includes cash proceed	s from IBO of	₹ 90 000
+ Cash & Other Non-oper	ating assets		₹ 397,374.81	menudes cash proceed		₹90,000
Value of equity - Value of equity options			₹ 73,244.53			
Number of shares Value per share			7,946.68 ₹40.79		Stock was offered a	

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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:
  - Talk to a diverse audience: We have created workplaces, where these single-subject specialists often interact entirely with each other, making their isolation almost complete.
  - Transparency over opacity: I would rather be transparently wrong than opaquely right. When I value companies, I try to be open about process, data and mechanics, so that anyone can not just replicate what I did and find their own points of disagreement and reflect those changes in value.
  - Listen to those who disagree with you: There are people out there who know more than I do about some aspect of the company, and I can learn from them.
  - Be willing to change: The three most freeing words in investing and valuation are "I was wrong", and they are not easy to say.

#### The Uber Feedback Loop: Bill Gurley

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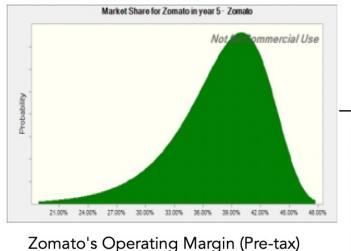
- 1. Not just car service company.: Uber is a car company, not just a car service company, and there may be a day when consumers will subscribe to a Uber service, rather than own their own cars. It could also expand into logistics, i.e., moving and transportation businesses.
- <u>Not just urban</u>: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

### Valuing Bill Gurley's Uber narrative

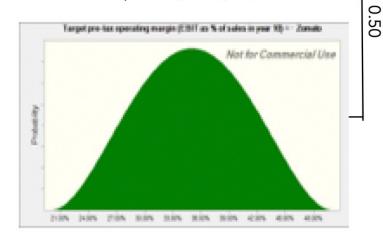
	Uber (Gurley)	Uber (Gurley Mod)	Uber (Damodaran)
Narrative	Uber will expand the car service	Uber will expand the car service	Uber will expand the car service
	market substantially, bringing in	market substantially, bringing in	market moderately, primarily in
	mass transit users & non-users	mass transit 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 advantage</u>	its <u>networking advantage</u> 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)



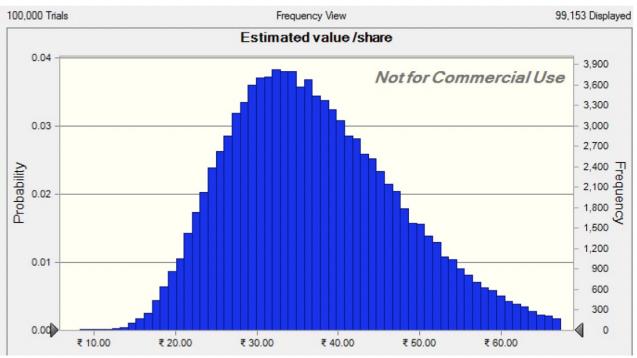
#### Zomato's Market Share



Correlation =



#### Zomato: Monte Carlo Simulation of Value/Share



Percentile	Value per share
0%	<i>-</i> ₹0.22
10%	₹24.49
20%	₹27.96
30%	₹ 30.74
40%	₹ 33.35
50%	₹ 36.02
60%	₹28.86
70%	₹42.11
80%	₹ 46.07
90%	₹ 51.92
100%	₹91.69

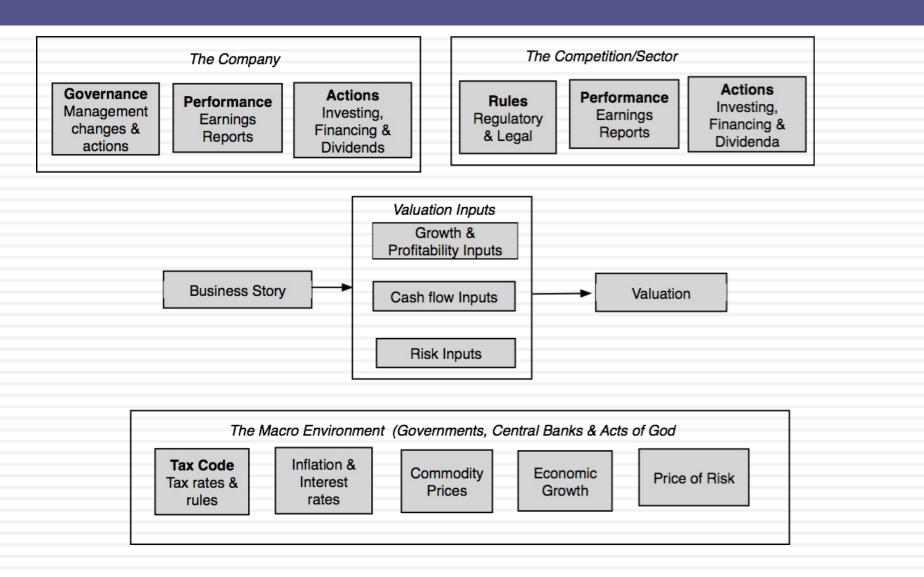
### Feedback on Zomato

- Indian food delivery: I have learned more about online food delivery and restaurants in India in the two weeks since I posted my Zomato valuation. I have learned why Zomato Pro has not caught on as quickly as the company thought it would, why some of you prefer Swiggy and even what you like to order from restaurants.
- Tax rate: Some of you noted that the corporate tax rate in India is 25%, not 30%, and while the Indian tax code with its predilection to add in surcharges that seem to last forever, and exceptions, does still leave me confused, I will concede on this point (pushing up my value per share marginally from 41 INR/share to about 43 INR/share.
- Market size: I have had pushback on my story's focus on Indian food delivery, with some pointing to the potential for Zomato to expand its market globally and others to the expansion possibilities in Indian grocery deliveries and from cloud kitchens. While I believe that the networking advantage that works to Zomato's benefits will stymie them if they try to expand to large foreign markets and that the grocery delivery market, at least for the moment, offers too small a slice of revenues to be a game changer for the company, those are legitimate points.

#### **Plausible Stories**

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Story	TAM (in ₹ millions)	Market Share	Revenue Slice	Target Margin	Cost of Capital	Value/share	
Delivery Juggernaut	₹ 5,000,000.00	40%	25%	45%	9.50%	₹ 150.02	Pla
Delivery Star	₹ 5,000,000.00	40%	22%	35%	9.50%	₹ 93.00	Plausible
Delivery Leader + Competition	₹ 5,000,000.00	40%	15%	35%	10.99%	₹ 61.55	ē
Restaurant Delivery Juggernaut + High Growth India	₹ 3,000,000.00	40%	25%	45%	9.50%	₹ 94.31	
Restaurant Delivery Star + High Growth India	₹ 3,000,000.00	40%	22%	35%	9.50%	₹ 59.02	]_
Restaurant Delivery + Competition + High Growth India	₹ 3,000,000.00	40%	20%	25%	10.99%	₹ 35.52	rob
Base Case, Positive	₹ 2,000,000.00	40%	25%	45%	10.25%	₹ 56.66	ab
Base Case	₹ 2,000,000.00	40%	22%	35%	10.25%	₹ 39.48	٩
Base Case, Negative	₹ 2,000,000.00	40%	20%	25%	10.25%	₹ 26.16	
Restaurant Delivery Juggernaut + Low Growth India	₹1,125,000.00	40%	25%	45%	9.50%	₹ 36.48	פ
Restaurant Delivery Star + Low Growth India	₹ 1,125,000.00	40%	22%	35%	9.50%	₹ 24.02	Plausible
Restaurant Delivery + Competition + low Growth India	₹ 1,125,000.00	40%	20%	25%	10.99%	₹ 16.58	be

# 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.
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Estimate a probability that it will occur & consequences	Monte Carlo simulations or scenario analysis	Real Options

### Step 6: Be ready to modify narrative as events unfold

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### Valuation as a Craft

You can never master a craft... just keep working on it..

			Uber			
			Uber: Personal Mobility	•		
Uber is primarily a ride	e sharing compa	ny, with ambti	ons of being a global logisti	cs player. Its revenue growth h	as been astonis	hing, though it is
starting to slow, but it	remains a big n	noney loser, as	it searches for a business m	nodel that delivers more sticki	ness. In this sto	ry, Uber uses a
combination of econon	nies of scale an	d a more capita	I intensive business model	to create a pathway to profita	bility. Along the	way, it will become
a less risky company, t	hough its losses	leave it expose	ed to a 5% chance of failure			
			The Assumption	5		
	Base year	Years 1-5	Years 6-10	After year 10	St	ory link
Total Market	\$400,000	Gro	w 10.39% a year	Grows 2.75% a year	Global logistics	
Gross Market Share	12.45%		6.71%>30%	30%	Global Networ	k benefits
					Market domina	ance keeps billing
Revenue Share	20.13%		Unchanged	20.13%	share high.	
Operating Margin	-24.39%	-	24.39% ->20%	15.00%	Full employee	& more regulations
Reinvestment	NA	Sales to	capital ratio of 4.00	Reinvestment rate = 7.5%	Low capital inv	vestment model
Cost of capital	NA	9.97%	9,97%->8.24%	8.24%	At 75th percen	tile of US firms
Risk of failure	5% ch	nance of failure	, if pricing meltdown leads	to capital being cut off	Cash on hand +	<ul> <li>Capital access</li> </ul>
			The Cash Flows			
	Total Market	Market Share	Revenues	EBIT (1-t)	Reinvestment	FCFF
1	\$ 441,560	14.20%	\$ 12,627	\$ (2,369)	\$ 650	\$ (3,019
2	\$ 487,438	15.96%	\$ 15,661	\$ (2,057)		\$ (2,816
3	\$ 538,083	17.71%	\$ 19,189	\$ (1,441)		\$ (2,323
4	\$ 593,990	19.47%	\$ 23,281	\$ (438)		\$ (1,461
5	\$ 655,705	21.22%	\$ 28,017	\$ 1,050	\$ 1,184	\$ (134
6	\$ 723,833	22.98%	\$ 33,485	\$ 3,139	\$ 1,367	\$ 1,771
7	\$ 799,039	24.73%	\$ 39,787	\$ 5,292	\$ 1,576	\$ 3,716
8	\$ 882,059	26.49%	\$ 47,037	\$ 5,292	\$ 1,813	\$ 3,479
9	\$ 973,705	28.24%	\$ 55,365	\$ 6,229	\$ 2,082	\$ 4,147
10	\$1,074,873	30.00%	\$ 64,915	\$ 7,303	\$ 2,387	\$ 4,915
Terminal year	\$1,101,745	30.00%	\$ 66,537	\$ 7,485	\$ 936	\$ 6,550
			The Value			
Terminal value			\$ 114,108			
PV(Terminal value)			\$ 46,258			
PV (CF over next 10 ye	ears)		\$ 501			
Value of operating asse			\$ 46,759			
Probability of failure			5%			
Value in case of failure			s -			
Adjusted Value for ope	rating assets		\$ 44,421			
+ Cash on hand	*		\$ 6,406			
+ Cross holdings			\$ 8,700			
+ IPO Proceeds			\$ 9,000			
- Debt			\$ 6,869			
Value of equity			\$ 61,658			
Value per share			\$ 27.67			

#### Push back on Uber Valuation

- <u>Input disagreement</u>: Lots of inputs and assumptions and I could be wrong on any or all of them..
- Model debate: DCF was designed for old economy companies and not suited to new economy firms that are more focused on accumulating users & subscribers, making them stick with the firm and sell them products & services over long periods.
- DCF is flexible: DCF models are much more flexible than most people give them credit for, and that they can be modified to reflect other frameworks. If you have a problem with a DCF value, it should not be with the model but with the person using that model.

#### User/ Subscriber/Member Based Valuation

- A user, subscriber or member has value only because he/she generates revenues for the company. The key to valuing a unit then becomes identifying the link to cash flows and value.
- To value users, you have to value an individual user first and then estimate the cost of acquiring new users.
  - The value of an existing user is the present value of the expected cash flows that you will generate from that user, over the lifetime that he or she remains a user.
  - The value of a new user will be the value of a user, net of the cost of acquiring a user.
  - The aggregate value of users will be the sum of the values of existing and new users.
- To get to the value of a company, you have to net out the other centralized/non-user specific costs that it will face.

### **Uber's Existing User Value**

Growth rate in Operating Expenses

Assumed that 90% of operating expenses are variable, growing at revenue growth rate. Overall expenses grow 10.95%/year

Growth rate in Revenues

Assumed 12% growth in annual revenues/user over next 15 years

**User Lifetime** Assumed to be 15 years, with an annual renewal probability of 95%.

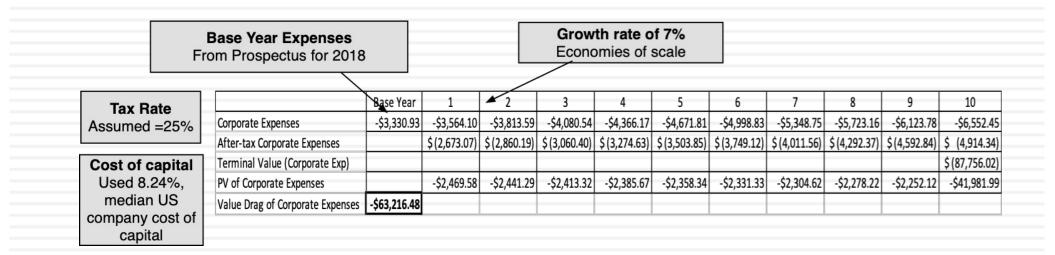
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	Bas	e Year	1	2	3	4	5	6		7		8	9		10		11		12		13		14	15	
Membership Survival		1.0000	0.9500	0.9025	0.8574	0.8145	0.7738	0.7351	(	0.6983	0.	.6634	0.63	)2	0.5987	(	).5688	0	.5404	0.	5133	0	.4877	0.463	33
Gross Billings	\$	547.24	\$612.91	\$686.46	\$768.84	\$861.10	\$964.43	\$1,080.16	\$1	L,209.78	\$1,	,354.95	\$1,51	.54	\$1,699.65	\$1	,903.61	\$2	,132.04	\$2,	387.89	\$2,	674.43	\$2,995	5.36
Net Revenues	\$	110.16	\$123.38	\$138.19	\$154.77	\$173.35	\$194.15	\$ 217.45	\$	243.54	\$	272.76	\$ 30	.50	\$ 342.16	\$	383.21	\$	429.20	\$	480.70	\$	538.39	\$ 602	2.99
<ul> <li>Operating Expenses</li> </ul>	\$	65.12	\$ 72.25	\$ 80.16	\$ 88.94	\$ 98.67	\$109.48	\$ 121.47	\$	134.77	\$	149.52	\$ 16	.90	\$ 184.06	\$	204.22	\$	226.58	\$	251.39	\$	278.92	\$ 309	9.46
Operating Profit/user	\$	45.05	\$ 51.14	\$ 58.03	\$ 65.84	\$ 74.67	\$ 84.67	\$ 95.98	\$	108.77	\$	123.24	\$ 13	.60	\$ 158.09	\$	179.00	\$	202.62	\$	229.31	\$	259.47	\$ 293	3.54
Survival adjusted Operating Profit			\$ 48.58	\$ 52.37	\$ 56.45	\$ 60.82	\$ 65.52	\$ 70.55	\$	75.96	\$	81.76	\$8	.98	\$ 94.66	\$	101.81	\$	109.49	\$	117.72	\$	126.54	\$ 135	5.99
After-tax Operating Profit/user	\$	33.79	\$ 36.44	\$ 39.28	\$ 42.34	\$ 45.62	\$ 49.14	\$ 52.92	\$	56.97	\$	61.32	\$ 6	.99	\$ 70.99	\$	76.36	\$	82.12	\$	88.29	\$	94.90	\$ 101	1.99
Present Value			\$ 33.66	\$ 33.53	\$ 33.38	\$ 33.23	\$ 33.07	\$ 32.90	\$	32.73	\$	32.55	\$ 3	.36	\$ 32.16	\$	31.96	\$	31.75	\$	31.54	\$	31.32	\$ 31	1.10
Annual Growth Rate (Revenues)		12.00%																							
Annual Growth Rate (Op Exp)		10.95%												Ris	k Adju	st	ed D	iso	coun	t R	late			1	
Risk-adjusted discount rate		8.24%	•										Jse	l a	8.24%	СС	ost of	Ca	apital	, s	et at				
Life of user =		15.00		1				ĺ	1			m			cost of							nie	s,		
Value per existing user =	\$	487.25		S	urviva	al-adju	usted	PV					â	Idju	usted fo	or i	inflati	on	diffe	erei	nce.				
Number of existing users =		91.00						income																	
Value of Existing Users	\$4	4,339.77	a	djusted	d for d	rop ou	t rate	over tin	ne	•															

#### Uber's New User Value

Value Added by New Users at Uber

Base year Value/ New Value of User = \$487.2 Cost of adding New Us Value added by new us	25 ser :	= \$113.71											
			Base Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
User Growth rates		Total Users	91.00	101.92	114.15	127.85	143.19	160.37	170.00	180.20	191.01	202.47	214.62
Years 1-5: 12%	-	New Users	8.00	15.47	17.33	19.41	21.73	24.34	17.64	18.70	19.82	21.01	22.27
Years 6-10: 6%		Value per new user	\$373.54	\$379.14	\$384.83	\$390.60	\$396.46	\$402.40	\$408.44	\$414.57	\$420.78	\$427.10	\$433.50
	-	Value added by new users		\$5,865.27	\$6,667.64	\$7,579.77	\$8,616.68	\$9,795.45	\$7,205.30	\$7,752.18	\$8,340.57	\$8,973.62	\$9,654.72
Cost of capital		Terminal Value (new users)											\$31,603.73
Used 9.97%, the 75th	-	Present Value		\$ 5,333.52	\$ 5,513.45	\$ 5,699.46	\$ 5,891.74	\$ 6,090.50	\$ 4,073.87	\$ 3,985.70	\$ 3,899.44	\$ 3,815.05	\$ 15,950.37
percentile of US companies	E	Value Added by New Users	\$ 60,253.08							Beyond	vear 10	7	
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#### Uber Corporate Expense Value (Drag)



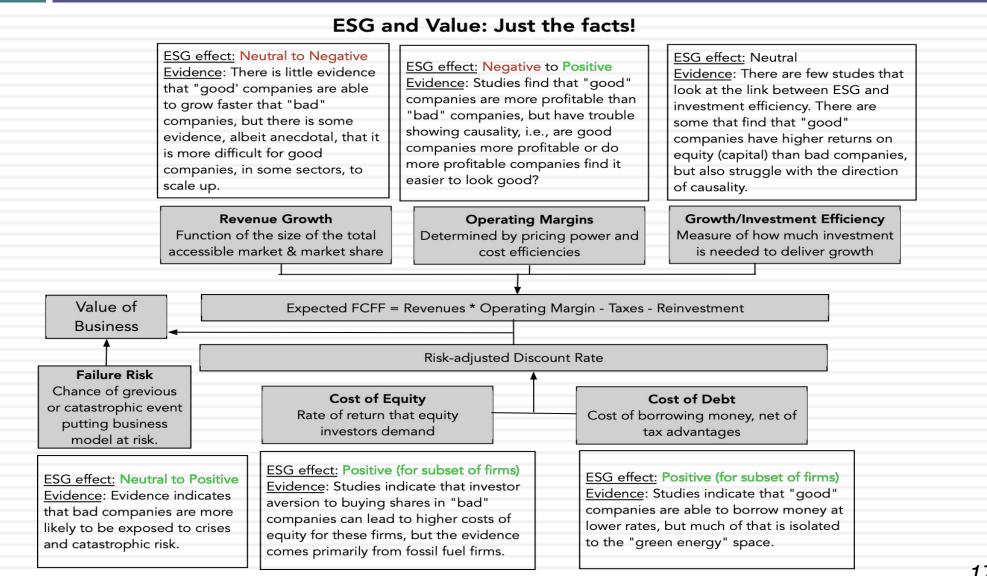
### **Uber Valuation**

Existing Users	S		New Users			Corporate Expen	ses			
Inputs			Inputs			Inputs				
Net Revenue/User =	\$ 110.16		Cost of acquiring user =	\$ 113.71		Corporate Expenses	\$ 2,812.72			
Operating Expense/User=	\$ 65.12		Value of new user =	\$ 373.54		CAGR - Next 10 years	7.00%			
Operating Profit/User =	\$ 45.05		Growth rate in net users (1-5)	12.00%		Discount Rate =	8.24%			
CAGR in Revenue/User	12.00%		Growth rate in net users (6-10)	6.00%						
Annual Renewal Rate =	95.00%		Discount Rate	9.97%						
User Life =	15									
Discount Rate =	8.24%									
Output			Output			Output				
Value/User =	\$ 487.25		# Users in year 10 =	214.62						
# Existing Users =	91.00		# Net New Users (10 years)	123.62						
Value of Existing Users =	\$44,339.77	+	Value of New Users =	\$60,253.08	-	PV of Corporate Expenses	\$(63,216.48)	=	Value of Operating	\$ 41,376.37
									+ Cash	\$ 15,407.00
Existing users will stick wit	h Uber and		Uber will continue to add new use	ers, but at a		Uber's corporate expenses will	continue to		+ Cross Holdings	\$ 8,700.00
increase how much they sp	oend on its		decreasing pace, with a cost of a	cquiring a		grow, notwithstanding econom	ies of scale, as		- Debt	\$ 6,869.00
services, the longer they st	ay.		new user staying stable (with the	current cost		the company increases spendir	ng moderately		Value of equity	\$ 58,614.37
Operating expenses are mo	ostly		incrteasing at the inflation rate).	The new user		on autonomous cars.			# Shares	2235.26
variable, but there will be	mild		spending profile will mirror existi	ng users.						
econmies of scale.									Value/Share	\$ 26.22

#### Buzz Words and Magic Bullets!

- In my four decades in corporate finance and valuation, I have seen many "new and revolutionary" ideas emerge, marketed as the solution to all of the problems in business decision making.
- Most of the time, these ideas represent either a repackaging of existing concepts, with a healthy dose of marketing and selling, usually by consultants and bankers, and their magic fades quickly once their limitations come to the surface, as they inevitably do.
- The latest entrant in this game is ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance), and the sales pitch is wider and deeper. Companies that improve their social goodness standing will not only become more profitable and valuable over time, we are told, but they will also advance society's best interests, thus resolving one of the fundamental conflicts of private enterprise, while also enriching investors.

#### ESG and Value



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#### **RELATIVE VALUATION (PRICING)**

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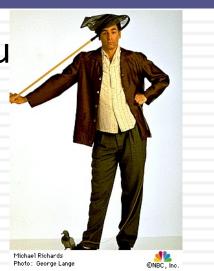
#### Relative valuation is pervasive...

- Most asset valuations are relative.
- Most equity valuations on Wall Street are relative valuations.
  - Almost 85% of equity research reports are based upon a multiple and comparables.
  - More than 50% of all acquisition valuations are based upon multiples
  - Rules of thumb based on multiples are not only common but are often the basis for final valuation judgments.
- While there are more discounted cashflow valuations in consulting and corporate finance, they are often relative valuations masquerading as discounted cash flow valuations.
  - The objective in many discounted cashflow valuations is to back into a number that has been obtained by using a multiple.
  - The terminal value in a significant number of discounted cashflow valuations is estimated using a multiple.

#### Why relative valuation?

"If you think I'm crazy, you should see the gu lives across the hall"

Jerry Seinfeld talking about Kramer in a Seinfeld episode

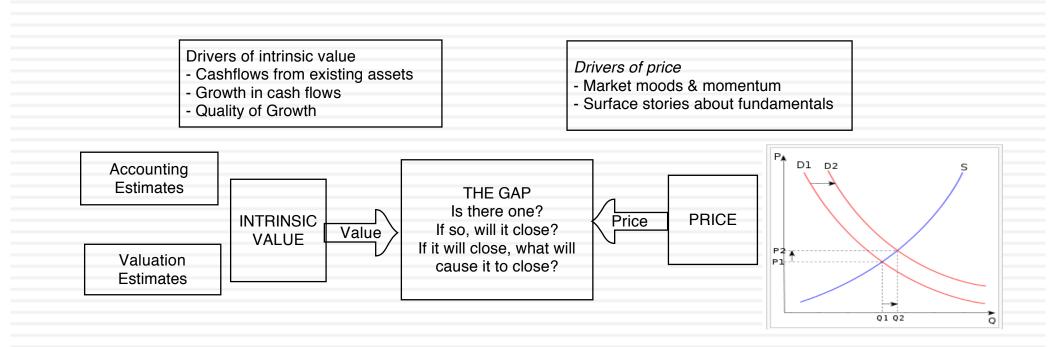


"A little inaccuracy sometimes saves tons of explanation" H.H. Munro

"If you are going to screw up, make sure that you have lots of company"

Ex-portfolio manager

### **Pricing versus Valuation**



# Test 1: Are you pricing or valuing?

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5369 La Jolla La Jolla, CA 9203 Status: Active		<b>\$995,00</b> Price <b>Built:</b> 195	Beds	<b>2.5</b> Baths 00 Sq. Ft. <b>0</b>	<b>1,440</b> Sq. Ft. \$691 / Sq. Ft. <b>n Redfin:</b> 12 days	Favorite	X-Out	Share	Tour Home
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### Test 2: Are you pricing or valuing?

#### Europe Switzerland

Biotechnology Biotechnology

#### Reuters BION.S

Bloomberg EX BION SW SV

Exchange Ticker SWX BION

Price at 12 Aug 2013 (CHF)	124.00
Price Target (CHF)	164.50
52-week range (CHF)	128.40 - 84.90

#### Strong sector and stock-picking continue

#### Impressive performance

Over the past two years, BB Biotech shares have roughly tripled, which could tempt investors to take profits. However, this performance has been well backed by a deserved revival of the biotech industry, encouraging fundamental news, M&A, and increased money flow into health care stocks. In addition, BBB returned to index outperformance by modifying its stock-picking approach. Hence, despite excellent performance, the shares still trade at a 23% discount to the net asset value of the portfolio. Hence, the shares are an attractive value vehicle to capture growth opportunities in an attractive sector.

#### Biotech industry remains attractive

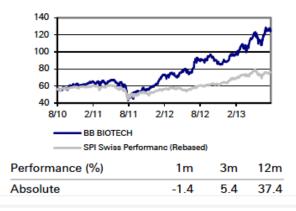
With the re-rating of the pharma sector, investors have also showed increased interest in biotech stocks. Established biotech stocks have delivered encouraging financial results and approvals, while there has also been substantial industry consolidation, which is not surprising in times of "cheap" money and high liquidity. BB Biotech remains an attractive vehicle to capture the future potential of the biotech sector. In addition, investors benefit from a 23% discount to NAV and attractive cash distribution policy of 5% yield p.a. Hence, we reiterate our Buy on BB Biotech shares.

 Key changes

 Target Price
 106.50 to 164.50 † 54.5%

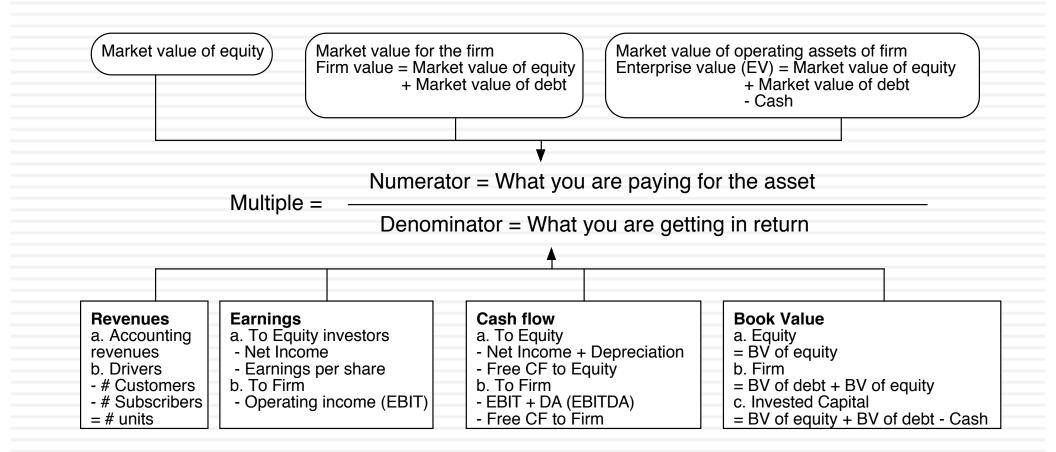
 Source: Deutsche Bank

#### Price/price relative



### The tool for pricing: A multiple

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#### The Four Steps to Deconstructing Multiples

#### Define the multiple

In use, the same multiple can be defined in different ways by different users. When comparing and using multiples, estimated by someone else, it is critical that we understand how the multiples have been estimated

#### Describe the multiple

- Too many people who use a multiple have no idea what its cross sectional distribution is. If you do not know what the cross sectional distribution of a multiple is, it is difficult to look at a number and pass judgment on whether it is too high or low.
- Analyze the multiple
  - It is critical that we understand the fundamentals that drive each multiple, and the nature of the relationship between the multiple and each variable.
- Apply the multiple
  - Defining the comparable universe and controlling for differences is far more difficult in practice than it is in theory.

### **Definitional Tests**

#### Is the multiple consistently defined?

Proposition 1: Both the value (the numerator) and the standardizing variable (the denominator) should be to the same claimholders in the firm. In other words, the value of equity should be divided by equity earnings or equity book value, and firm value should be divided by firm earnings or book value.

#### Is the multiple uniformly estimated?

- The variables used in defining the multiple should be estimated uniformly across assets in the "comparable firm" list.
- If earnings-based multiples are used, the accounting rules to measure earnings should be applied consistently across assets. The same rule applies with book-value based multiples.

### Example 1: Price Earnings Ratio: Definition

PE = Market Price per Share / Earnings per Share

- There are a number of variants on the basic PE ratio in use. They are based upon how the price and the earnings are defined.
- Price: is usually the current price

is sometimes the average price for the year

EPS: EPS in most recent financial year
EPS in trailing 12 months (Trailing PE)
Forecasted EPS for next year (Forward PE)
Forecasted EPS in future year

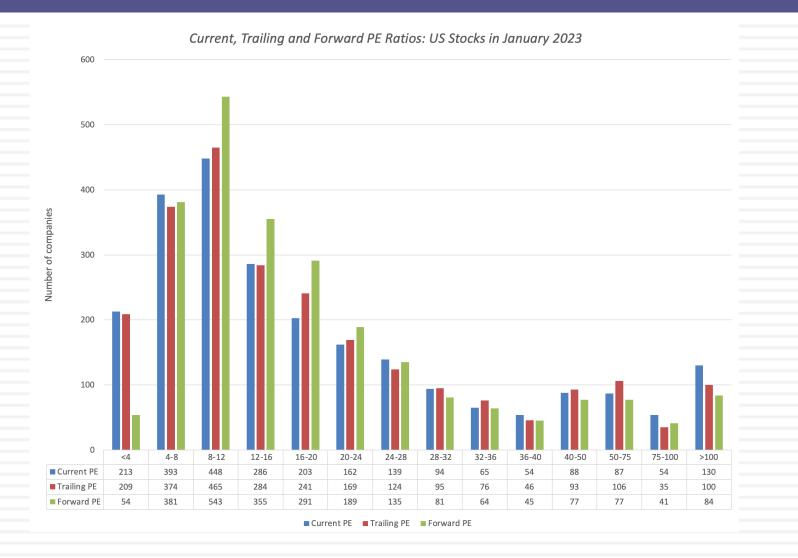
#### Example 2: Enterprise Value / EBITDA Multiple

- The enterprise value to EBITDA multiple is obtained by netting cash out against debt to arrive at enterprise value and dividing by EBITDA.
  - $\frac{\text{Enterprise Value}}{\text{EBITDA}} = \frac{\text{Market Value of Equity} + \text{Market Value of Debt} \text{Cash}}{\text{Earnings before Interest, Taxes and Depreciation}}$
- Why do we net out cash from firm value?
- What happens if a firm has cross holdings which are categorized as:
  - Minority interests?
  - Majority active interests?

#### **Descriptive Tests**

- What is the average and standard deviation for this multiple, across the universe (market)?
- □ What is the median for this multiple?
  - The median for this multiple is often a more reliable comparison point.
- How large are the outliers to the distribution, and how do we deal with the outliers?
  - Throwing out the outliers may seem like an obvious solution, but if the outliers all lie on one side of the distribution (they usually are large positive numbers), this can lead to a biased estimate.
- Are there cases where the multiple cannot be estimated? Will ignoring these cases lead to a biased estimate of the multiple?
- How has this multiple changed over time?

### 1. Multiples have skewed distributions...



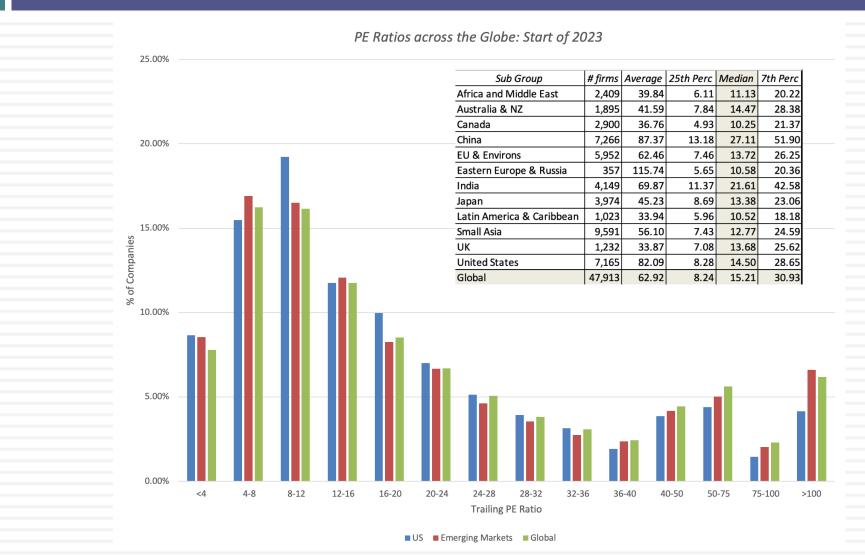
# 2. Making statistics "dicey"

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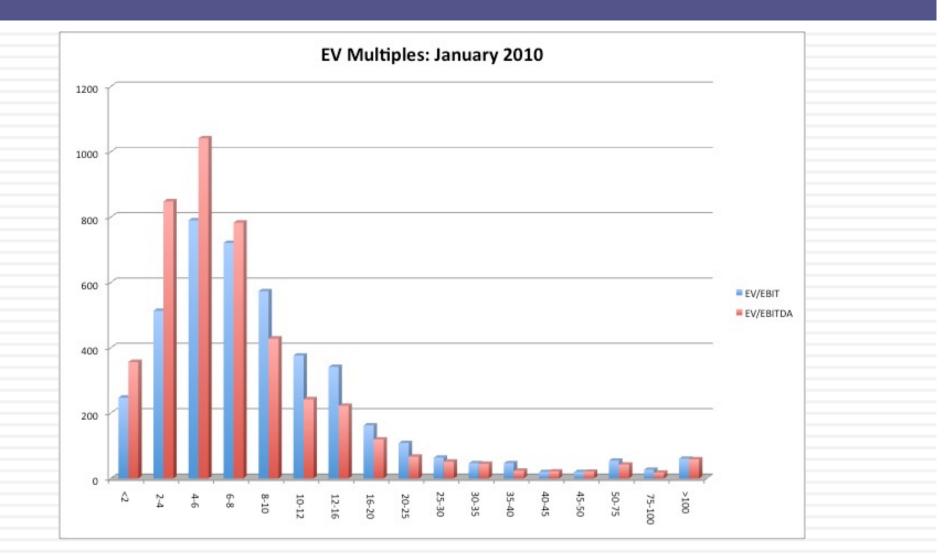
	Current PE	Trailing PE	Forward PE	
Number of firms	7165	7165	7165	
Number with PE	3,099	3,097	2,417	$\square$
Average	109.25	82.09	30.70	
Median	13.92	14.50	14.44	
Minimum	0.05	0.04	0.05	
Maximum	86400.00	21678.00	4896.00	
Standard deviation	1698.48	805.04	125.4	
Standard error	34.1	14.47	2.55	
Skewness	37.69	21.28	26.78	
25th percentile	7.91	8.28	9.19	
75th percentile	29.4	28.65	23.97	

#### 3. Markets have a lot in common : Comparing Global PEs

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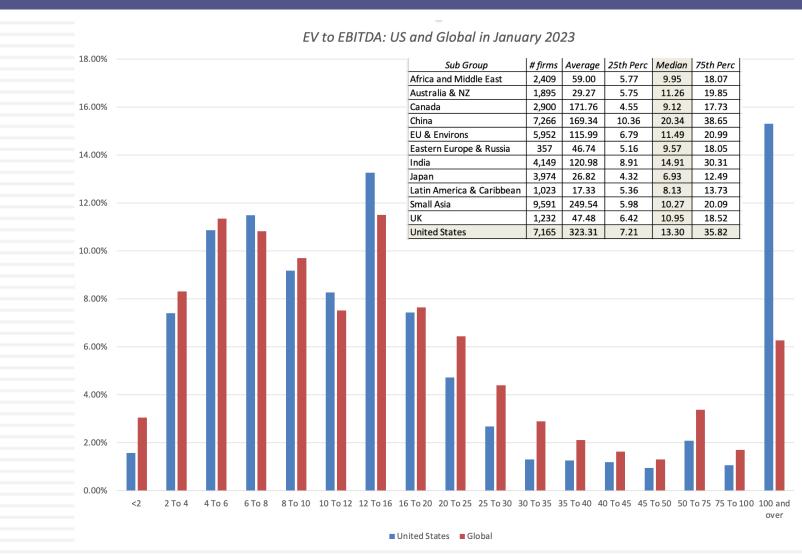
# 4. Simplistic rules almost always break down...6 times EBITDA was not cheap in the US in 2010



#### But it may be in 2023, unless you in Japan or

#### Russia...

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### **Analytical Tests**

- What are the fundamentals that determine and drive these multiples?
  - Proposition 2: Embedded in every multiple are all of the variables that drive every discounted cash flow valuation - growth, risk and cash flow patterns.
  - In fact, using a simple discounted cash flow model and basic algebra should yield the fundamentals that drive a multiple
- How do changes in these fundamentals change the multiple?
  - The relationship between a fundamental (like growth) and a multiple (such as PE) is seldom linear. For example, if firm A has twice the growth rate of firm B, it will generally not trade at twice its PE ratio
  - Proposition 3: It is impossible to properly compare firms on a multiple, if we do not know the nature of the relationship between fundamentals and the multiple.

# A Simple Analytical device

	Start with a basic intrinsic value model.	Divide both sides of value equation by the denominator of the multiple that you are trying to deconstruct.	You should end up with an intrinsic version of your multiple, which relates the multiple to fundamentals that vary across firms.
If Equity Multiple	Start with a dividend or FCFE model, preferably siimple.	For example, if you are trying to deconstruct the Price to Book ratio, divide both sides by book value of equity.	Intrinsic version of PE

lf enterprise value multiple	Start with a firm or operating asset model:.	For example, if you trying to deconstruct EV to Sales ratio, both sides oby sales.	uct the dividen	Intrinsic version of EV/ Sale ratio.	
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#### PE Ratio: Understanding the Fundamentals

□ To understand the fundamentals, start with a basic equity discounted cash flow model.

□ With the dividend discount model,

$$P_0 = \frac{DPS_1}{r - g_n}$$

Dividing both sides by the current earnings per share, 

$$\frac{P_0}{EPS_0} = PE = \frac{Payout Ratio * (1 + g_n)}{r - g_n}$$

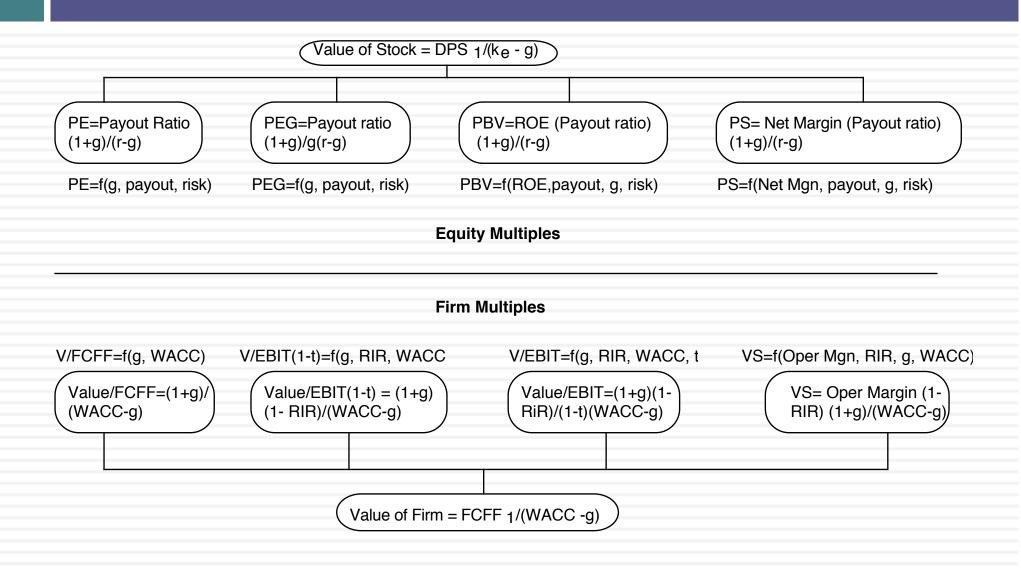
□ If this had been a FCFE Model,

$$P_{0} = \frac{FCFE_{1}}{r - g_{n}}$$

$$\frac{P_{0}}{EPS_{0}} = PE = \frac{(FCFE/Earnings)*(1 + g_{n})}{r - \sigma}$$

r-g<sub>n</sub>

### The Determinants of Multiples...



# **Application Tests**

Given the firm that we are valuing, what is a "comparable" firm?

- While traditional analysis is built on the premise that firms in the same sector are comparable firms, valuation theory would suggest that a comparable firm is one which is similar to the one being analyzed in terms of fundamentals.
- Proposition 4: There is no reason why a firm cannot be compared with another firm in a very different business, if the two firms have the same risk, growth and cash flow characteristics.
- Given the comparable firms, how do we adjust for differences across firms on the fundamentals?
  - Proposition 5: It is impossible to find an exactly identical firm to the one you are valuing.

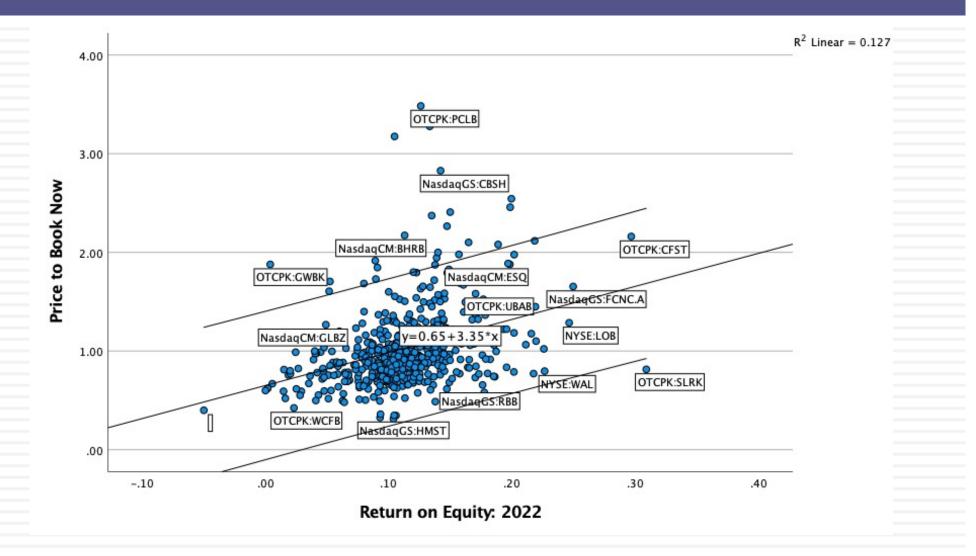
# US Banks in 2023 – Setting the table

Metric					
Price to Book ratio	<b>Cheapness of the stock,</b> measured by scaling market cap to accounting book value.	Low			
Return on Equity	Equity Profitability, measured by scaling profitability to shareholders equity				
Interest spread	High				
Deposit growth	<b>Growth in bank deposit base</b> , proxying for stickiness, with higher growth -> less stickiness	Low			
Tier 1 Capital Ratio	High				
% of Securities held to maturity	<b>Risk from undisclosed write-downs</b> from higher interest rates, since securities held to maturity are not marked to market	Low			
Dividend Yiel	High				

# The Biggest US Banks

		Cheapness	Profitability		Stickiness Riskiness		Cash Yield		
								% of	
					Interest	Deposit	Tier 1	Securites	
			Return on Equity	Average ROE	Spread	Growth: Last	Capital	Held to	Dividend
Company Name	Exchange:Ticker	Price to Book	(ROE) (2022)	(2018-22)	(2022)	5 years	Ratio	Maturity	Yield
Citigroup Inc. (NYSE:C)	NYSE:C	0.50	8.11%	9.50%	9.39%	3.74%	14.80%	51.85%	4.40%
Citizens Financial Group, Inc.	NYSE:CFG	0.69	9.68%	8.72%	3.57%	9.20%	11.12%	29.06%	3.47%
Valley National Bancorp	NasdagGS:VLY	0.77	11.67%	10.61%	3.38%	21.21%	9.46%	75.21%	3.11%
Truist Financial Corporation	NYSE:TFC	0.81	10.00%	9.84%	3.84%	21.23%	10.54%	44.56%	4.25%
Webster Financial Corporation	NYSE:WBS	0.84	19.56%	13.68%	3.69%	20.62%	11.23%	45.41%	1.76%
Prosperity Bancshares, Inc.	NYSE:PB	0.85	8.16%	8.43%	4.24%	9.39%	15.88%	96.85%	2.62%
M&T Bank Corporation	NYSE:MTB	0.90	12.33%	12.10%	3.86%	11.94%	11.79%	55.73%	2.27%
New York Community Bancorp, Inc.	NYSE:NYCB	0.93	9.94%	8.16%	2.00%	13.56%	9.78%	0.00%	5.39%
Wells Fargo & Company	NYSE:WFC	0.93	7.84%	9.36%	3.88%	1.60%	12.11%	72.34%	3.08%
Bank of America Corporation	NYSE:BAC	0.95	11.22%	10.87%	5.98%	8.75%	12.99%	100.00%	3.18%
KeyCorp	NYSE:KEY	0.96	12.35%	12.64%	3.44%	7.45%	10.60%	18.21%	4.45%
SouthState Corporation	NasdaqGS:SSB	1.03	10.33%	8.83%	3.85%	26.19%	10.96%	33.50%	1.70%
Huntington Bancshares Incorporated	NasdaqGS:HBAN	1.04	13.06%	12.30%	3.86%	13.97%	10.90%	42.13%	3.02%
Fifth Third Bancorp	NasdaqGS:FITB	1.17	12.17%	12.57%	3.87%	9.75%	10.53%	0.01%	5.30%
Comerica Incorporated	NYSE:CMA	1.19	15.34%	13.84%	3.93%	4.34%	10.50%	0.00%	4.28%
Regions Financial Corporation	NYSE:RF	1.19	13.47%	11.83%	4.17%	6.88%	10.91%	2.79%	2.95%
U.S. Bancorp	NYSE:USB	1.20	12.00%	14.23%	3.26%	9.82%	9.83%	54.90%	3.82%
BOK Financial Corporation	NasdaqGS:BOKF	1.20	9.70%	10.76%	4.04%	10.66%	11.71%	0.00%	2.07%
East West Bancorp, Inc.	NasdaqGS:EWBC	1.22	19.33%	16.18%	3.85%	15.57%	12.68%	33.22%	1.70%
The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc.	NYSE:PNC	1.30	11.92%	12.79%	3.38%	11.20%	10.43%	68.31%	3.11%
First Horizon Corporation	NYSE:FHN	1.30	11.72%	13.09%	3.77%	15.36%	11.92%	13.43%	1.69%
JPMorgan Chase & Co.	NYSE:JPM	1.53	14.53%	15.30%	6.80%	9.69%	14.85%	67.38%	2.93%
First Citizens BancShares, Inc	NasdaqGS:FCNC	1.65	24.97%	16.02%	3.84%	24.77%	11.06%	53.33%	0.15%
Cullen/Frost Bankers, Inc.	NYSE:CFR	2.37	13.49%	12.12%	4.24%	10.73%	13.35%	12.64%	2.10%
Commerce Bancshares, Inc.	NasdaqGS:CBSH	2.83	14.21%	14.67%	3.89%	5.80%	14.13%	0.00%	1.42%
Median		1.04	12.00%	12.12%	3.86%	10.66%	11.12%	42.13%	3.02%

# US Banks (all): A Scatter Plot!



#### And a regression...

#### Model Summary

Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate	
1	.701 <sup>a</sup>	.492	.486	23.49485	

a. Predictors: (Constant), Tier 1 Capital Ratio, Return on Equity: 2022

#### ANOVA<sup>a,b</sup>

Model		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	104088.615	2	52044.307	94.282	<.001 <sup>c</sup>
	Residual	107641.539	195	552.008		
	Total	211730.154	197			

a. Dependent Variable: Price to Book Now

 b. Weighted Least Squares Regression - Weighted by Market Capitalization [My Setting] [Latest] (\$USDmm, Historical rate)

c. Predictors: (Constant), Tier 1 Capital Ratio, Return on Equity: 2022

#### Coefficients<sup>a,b</sup>

		Unstandardized Coefficients B Std. Error		Standardized Coefficients		
Model				Beta	t	Sig.
1	(Constant)	456	.149		-3.057	.003
	Return on Equity: 2022	7.758	.657	.612	11.806	<.001
	Tier 1 Capital Ratio	5.217	1.071	.252	4.871	<.001

a. Dependent Variable: Price to Book Now

 b. Weighted Least Squares Regression - Weighted by Market Capitalization [My Setting] [Latest] (\$USDmm, Historical rate)

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Plugging in Citi's numbers ROE(2022) = 8.11% Tier 1 Ratio = 14.8% Predicted PBV = -.46+7.758 (.0811) + 5.217 (.148) = 0.94 Actual PBV = 0.50 % Under priced = 46.88%

#### Comparisons to the entire market: Why not?

- In contrast to the 'comparable firm' approach, the information in the entire cross-section of firms can be used to predict PE ratios.
- The simplest way of summarizing this information is with a multiple regression, with the PE ratio as the dependent variable, and proxies for risk, growth and payout forming the independent variables.

#### I. PE Ratio versus the market

#### PE versus Expected EPS Growth: January 2023



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# PE Ratio: Standard Regression for US stocks -January 2023

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Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate
1	.502 <sup>b</sup>	.252	.250	2094.17378

a. Broad Group = United States

b. Predictors: (Constant), Payout ratio, Expected growth rate in EPS- Next 5 years, Beta

The regression is run with growth and payout entered as decimals, i.e., 25% is entered as 0.25)

#### Coefficients<sup>a,b,c</sup>

		Unstandardize	d Coefficients	Standardized Coefficients		
Model		В	Std. Error	Beta	t	Sig.
1	(Constant)	8.632	1.684		5.125	<.001
	Expected growth rate in EPS- Next 5 years	.462	.044	.336	10.415	<.001
	Beta	2.234	1.218	.064	1.834	.067
	Payout ratio	.193	.014	.471	13.708	<.001

a. Broad Group = United States

b. Dependent Variable: Trailing PE

c. Weighted Least Squares Regression - Weighted by Market Cap (in US \$)

#### PE ratio regressions across markets

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Region	Regression – January 2023	<b>R</b> <sup>2</sup>
US	$PE = 8.63 + 2.23 Beta + 46.20 g_{EPS} + 19.30 Payout$	25.0%
Europe	PE = 1.59 + 2.33 Beta + 41.50 gEPS + 27.00 Payout	36.6%
Japan	PE = 0.17 + 1.38 Beta + 123.20 gEPS + 28.10 Payout	55.4%
Emerging Markets	PE = 10.88 + 1.76 Beta + 43.90 gEPS + 6.90 Payout	17.6%
Australia, NZ, Canada	$PE = 14.38 - 9.42 Beta + 66.50 g_{EPS} + 16.10 Payout$	26.9%
Global	PE = 8.17 + 0.98 Beta + 50.80 gEPS + 18.20 Payout	23.6%

<u>g<sub>EPS</sub>=Expected Growth</u>: Expected growth in EPS or Net Income: Next 5 years (decimals) <u>Beta</u>: Regression or Bottom up Beta

<u>Payout ratio:</u> Dividends/ Net income from most recent year. Set to zero, if net income < 0Aswath Damodaran 207

### **Choosing Between the Multiples**

- As presented in this section, there are dozens of multiples that can be potentially used to value an individual firm.
- In addition, relative valuation can be relative to a sector (or comparable firms) or to the entire market (using the regressions, for instance)
- Since there can be only one final estimate of value, there are three choices at this stage:
  - Use a simple average of the valuations obtained using a number of different multiples
  - Use a weighted average of the valuations obtained using a nmber of different multiples
  - Choose one of the multiples and base your valuation on that multiple

# Picking one Multiple

- This is usually the best way to approach this issue. While a range of values can be obtained from a number of multiples, the "best estimate" value is obtained using one multiple.
- □ The multiple that is used can be chosen in one of two ways:
  - Use the multiple that best fits your objective. Thus, if you want the company to be undervalued, you pick the multiple that yields the highest value.
  - Use the multiple that has the highest R-squared in the sector when regressed against fundamentals. Thus, if you have tried PE, PBV, PS, etc. and run regressions of these multiples against fundamentals, use the multiple that works best at explaining differences across firms in that sector.
  - Use the multiple that seems to make the most sense for that sector, given how value is measured and created.

### Conventional usage...

Sector	Multiple Used	Rationale	
Cyclical Manufacturing	PE, Relative PE	Often with normalized earnings	
Growth firms	PEG ratio	Big differences in growth rates	
Young growth firms w/ losses	Revenue Multiples	What choice do you have?	
Infrastructure	EV/EBITDA	Early losses, big DA	
REIT	P/CFE (where CFE = Net income + Depreciation)	Big depreciation charges on real estate	
Financial Services	Price/ Book equity	Marked to market?	
Retailing	Revenue multiples	Margins equalize sooner or later	

# A closing thought...

