

Session 17: Post class test solutions

1. **a. Expensive.** To answer this question, I started by estimating the “intrinsic” value of the operating assets:

$$\text{After-tax operating income} = (100-40) (1-.4) = 36$$

$$\text{Net Cap Ex} = 58 - 40 = 18$$

$$\text{Reinvestment rate} = 18/36 = 50\%$$

$$\text{Expected growth} = .50 (6\%) = 3\%$$

$$\text{Intrinsic EV} = (36-18)(1.03)/(.10-.03) = \$265$$

$$\text{EV/EBITDA} = 265/100 = 2.65$$

It is expensive

2. **c. 1.067.** To get to this number, you start off by estimating the return on capital and reinvestment rate:

- Return on capital = $80/800 = 10\%$

- Reinvestment rate = $2\% / 10\% = 20\%$

To estimate Enterprise value/ Sales

$$\text{Expected operating margin} = 80/1000 = 8\%$$

$$\text{EV/Sales} = .08 (1-.20) / (.08-.02) = 1.067$$

3. **e. All of the above.** If you have a small sample of comparable firms, they have to be comparable on all dimensions: risk, growth and cash flows. With a small sample, you cannot control for differences in any meaningful way.

4. **c. Fairly valued.** Plugging the ROE for GenSys into the regression

$$\text{PBV} = 0.72 + 80 (.16) = 2.00$$

The stock is trading at 2 times book value. Hence, it is fairly priced.

5. **c. Selena Inc. pays no taxes but comparable companies pay tax rates that average 30%.** The only explanation that is consistent with Selena trading at a higher multiple of EBITDA than the sector is that Selena pays lower taxes. All of the other choices lead in the opposite direction.