IV. Emerging Market Companies

Estimation Issues - Emerging Market Companies

Big shifts in economic environment (inflation, itnerest rates) can affect operating earnings history. Poor corporate governance and weak accounting standards can lead to lack of transparency on earnings.

Growth rates for a company will be affected heavily be growth rate and political developments in the country in which it operates.

What is the value added by growth assets?

What are the cashflows from existing assets?

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

Economic crises can put many companies at risk. Government actions (nationalization) can affect long term value.

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What is the value of equity in the firm?

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Even if the company's risk is stable, there can be significant changes in country risk over time.

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Lesson 1: Country risk has to be incorporated... but with a scalpel, not a bludgeon

- Emerging market companies are undoubtedly exposed to additional country risk because they are incorporated in countries that are more exposed to political and economic risk.
- Not all emerging market companies are equally exposed to country risk and many developed markets have emerging market risk exposure because of their operations.
- You can use either the "weighted country risk premium", with the weights reflecting the countries you get your revenues from or the lambda approach (which may incorporate more than revenues) to capture country risk exposure.

Lesson 2: Currency should not matter

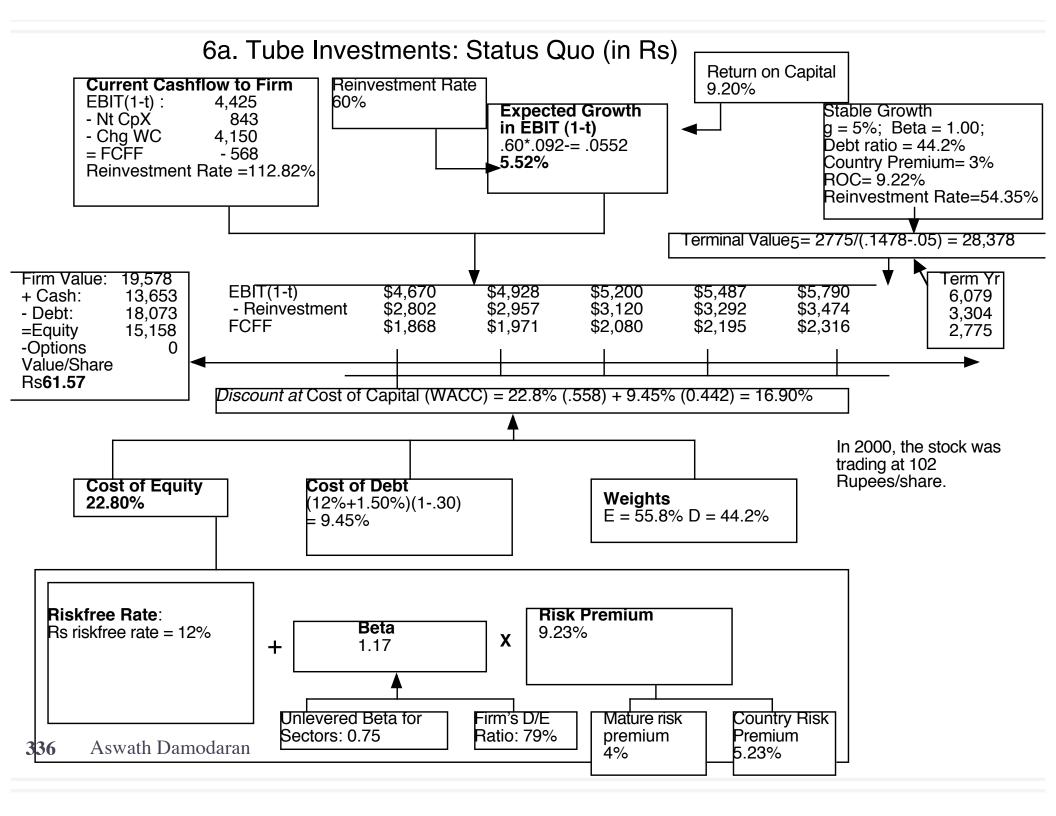
- You can value any company in any currency. Thus, you can value a Brazilian company in nominal reais, US dollars or Swiss Francs.
- For your valuation to stay invariant and consistent, your cash flows and discount rates have to be in the same currency. Thus, if you are using a high inflation currency, both your growth rates and discount rates will be much higher.
- For your cash flows to be consistent, you have to use expected exchange rates that reflect purchasing power parity (the higher inflation currency has to depreciate by the inflation differential each year).

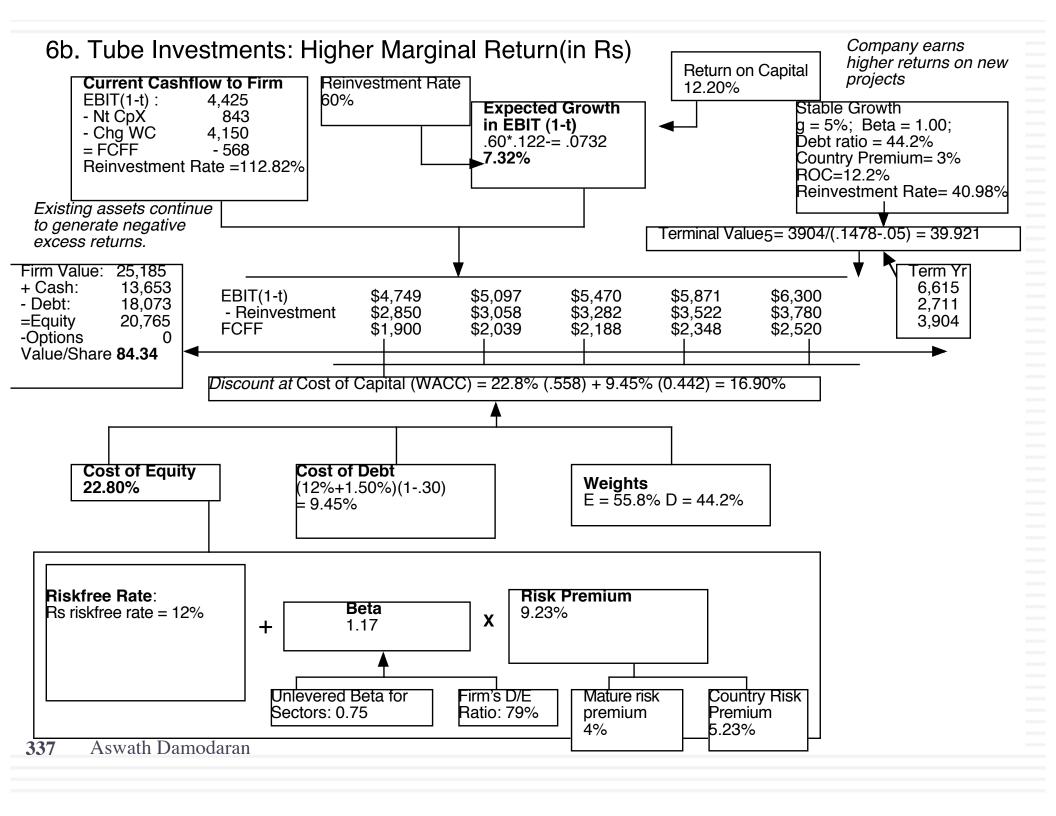
Valuing Infosys: In US\$ and Indian Rupees

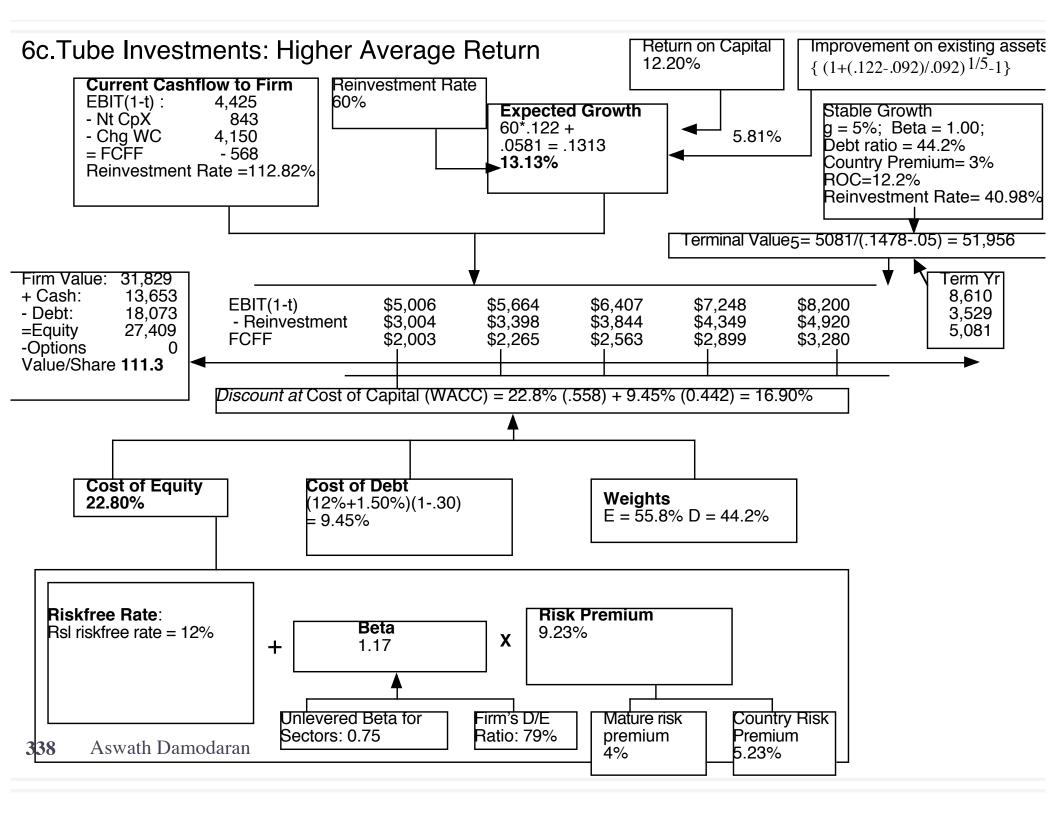
	In Indian Rupees	In US \$			
Risk free Rate	5.00%	2.00%			
Expected inflation rate	4.00%	1.00%			
Cost of capital					
- High Growth	12.50%	9.25%			
- Stable Growth	10.39%	7.21%			
Expected growth rate					
- High Growth	12.01%	8.78%			
- Stable Growth	5.00%	2.00%			
Return on Capital					
- High Growth	17.16%	13.78%			
- Stable Growth	10.39%	7.21%			
Value per share	Rs 614	\$12.79/share (roughly Rs			
		614 at current exchange			
		rate)			

Lesson 3: The "corporate governance" drag

- Stockholders in Asian, Latin American and many European companies have little or no power over the managers of the firm. In many cases, insiders own voting shares and control the firm and the potential for conflict of interests is huge.
- This weak corporate governance is often a reason for given for using higher discount rates or discounting the estimated value for these companies.
- Would you discount the value that you estimate for an emerging market company to allow for this absence of stockholder power?
- a. Yes
- b. No.



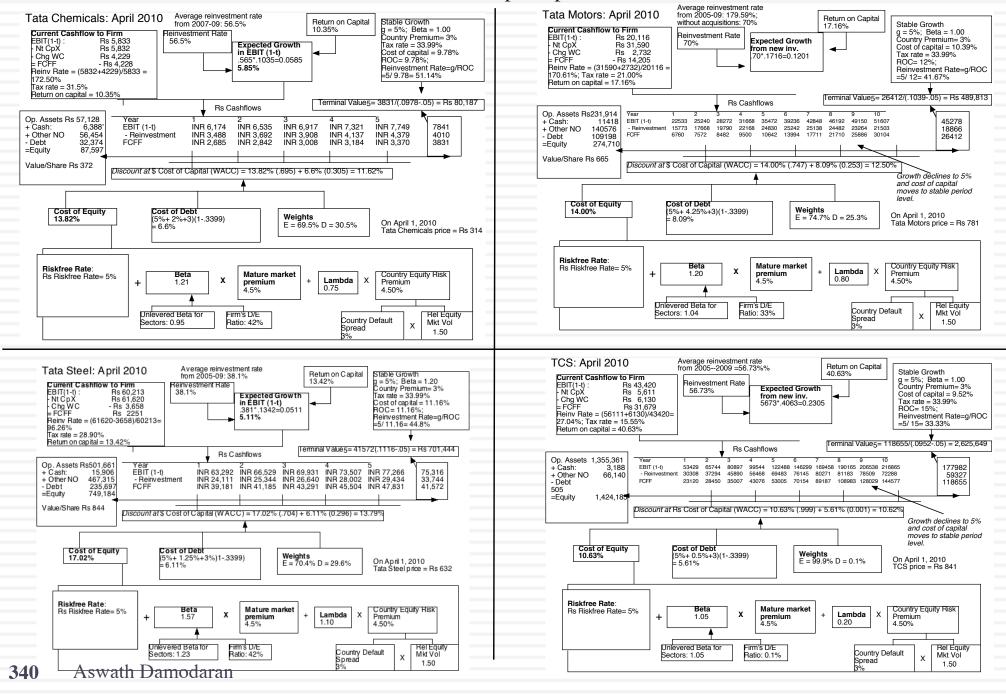




Lesson 4: Watch out for cross holdings...

- Emerging market companies are more prone to having cross holdings that companies in developed markets. This is partially the result of history (since many of the larger public companies used to be family owned businesses until a few decades ago) and partly because those who run these companies value control (and use cross holdings to preserve this control).
- In many emerging market companies, the real process of valuation begins when you have finished your DCF valuation, since the cross holdings (which can be numerous) have to be valued, often with minimal information.

8. The Tata Group – April 2010



Tata Companies: Value Breakdown

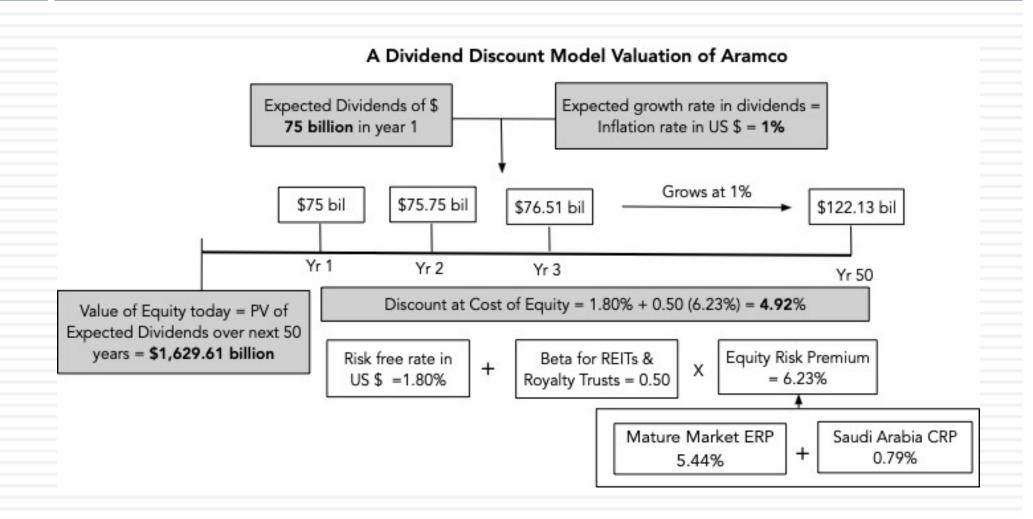
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Lesson 5: Truncation risk can come in many forms...

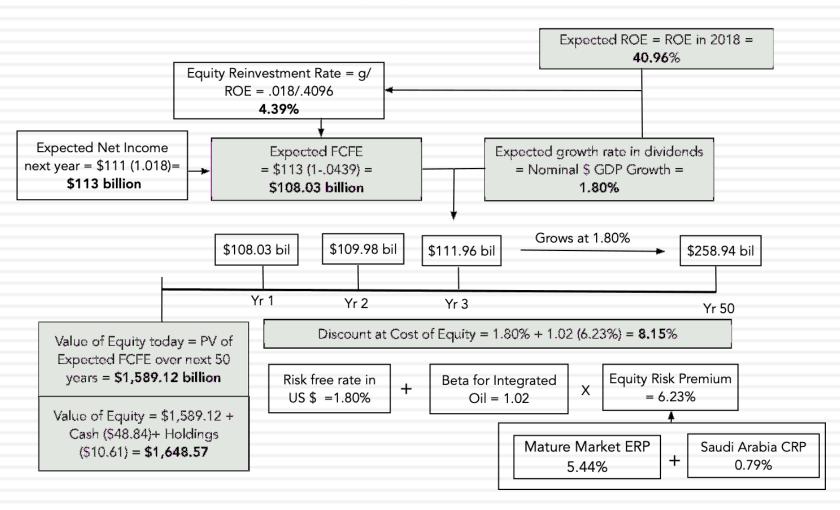
- Natural disasters: Small companies in some economies are much exposed to natural disasters (hurricanes, earthquakes), without the means to hedge against that risk (with insurance or derivative products).
- Terrorism risk: Companies in some countries that are unstable or in the grips of civil war are exposed to damage or destruction.
- Nationalization risk: While less common than it used to be, there are countries where businesses may be nationalized, with owners receiving less than fair value as compensation.

Valuing Aramco: Promised Dividends



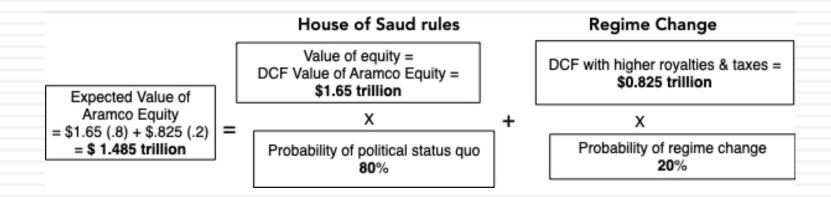
Valuing Aramco: Potential Dividends

A Potential Dividend (FCFE) Discount Model Valuation of Aramco



Adjusting for regime change

- If you believe that there is no chance of regime change, your expected value will remain \$1.65 trillion.
- If you believe that regime change is imminent, and that your equity will be fully expropriated, your expected value will be zero.
- If you believe that there remains a non-trivial chance (perhaps as high as 20%) that there will be a regime change and that if there is one, there will be changes that reduce, but not extinguish, your equity claim:



V. 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 capital is a challenge. Growth can be strongly influenced by regulatory limits and constraints. Both the amount of new investments and the returns on these investments can change with regulatory changes.

What is the value added by growth assets?

What are the cashflows from existing assets?

Preferred stock is a significant source of capital.

What is the value of equity in the firm?

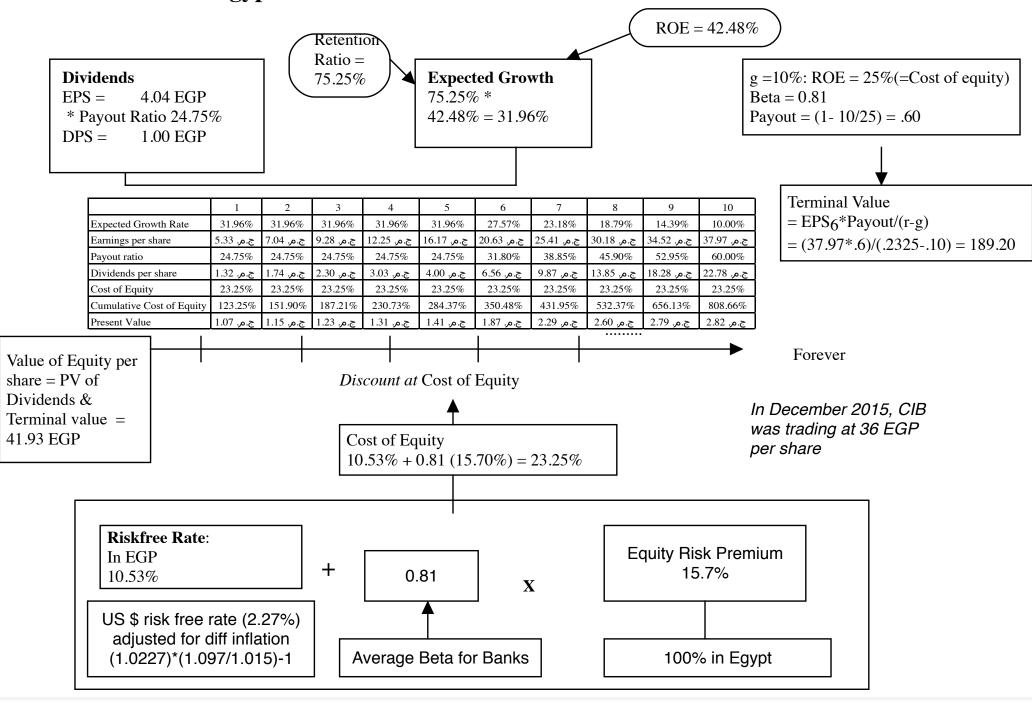
How risky are the cash flows from both existing assets and growth assets?

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 changes on equity 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 of regulators. If they do not, they can be taken over and shut down.

CIB Egypt in December 2015 Valuation in Egyptian Pounds



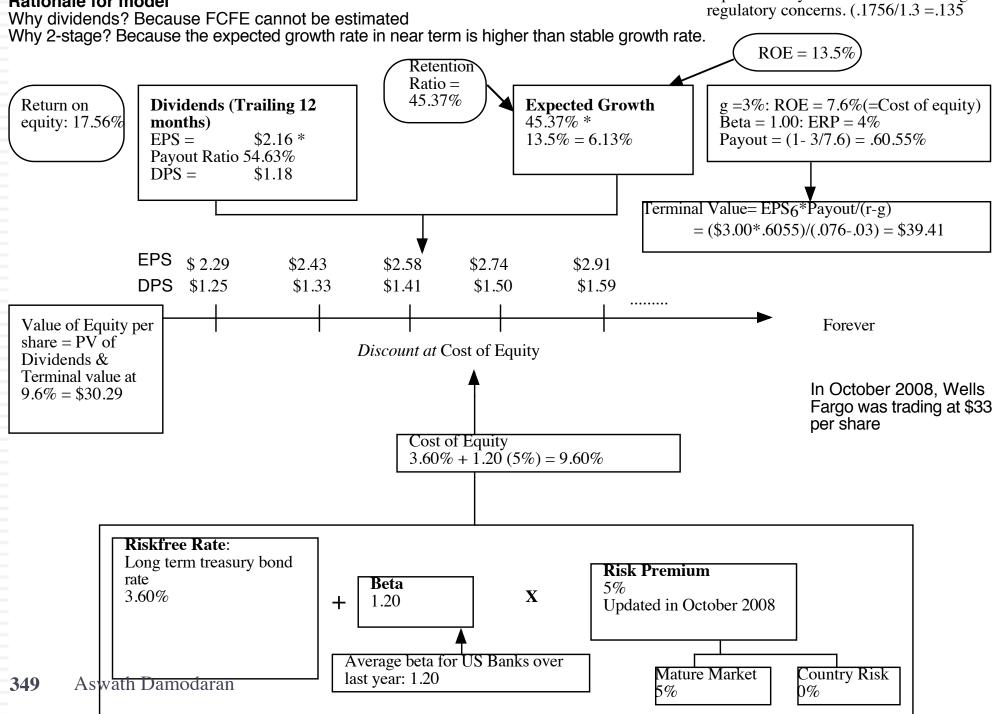
Lesson 1: Financial service companies are opaque...

- With financial service firms, we enter into a Faustian bargain. They tell us very little about the quality of their assets (loans, for a bank, for instance are not broken down by default risk status) but we accept that in return for assets being marked to market (by accountants who presumably have access to the information that we don't have).
- In addition, estimating cash flows for a financial service firm is difficult to do. So, we trust financial service firms to pay out their cash flows as dividends. Hence, the use of the dividend discount model.
- During times of crises or when you don't trust banks to pay out what they can afford to in dividends, using the dividend discount model may not give you a "reliable" value.

2c. Wells Fargo: Valuation on October 7, 2008

Rationale for model

Why dividends? Because FCFE cannot be estimated



Assuming that Wells will have to increase its

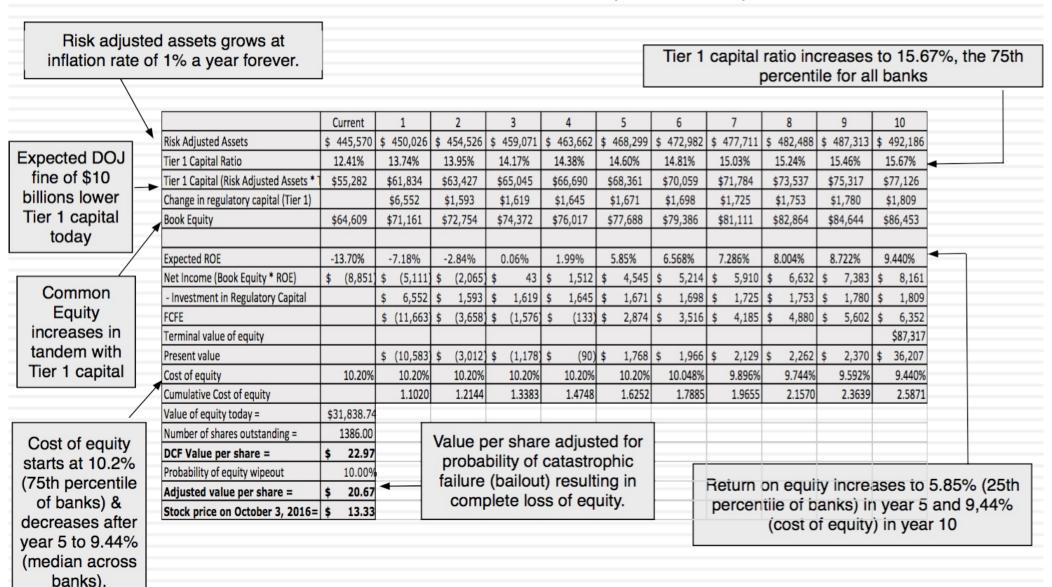
capital base by about 30% to reflect tighter

Lesson 2: For financial service companies, book value matters...

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- 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)



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Lesson 3: Not all financial service firms are built alike..

- Financial service is a broad category, and while banks may be its most substantive component, there are a range of other companies, with very different business models.
- For instance, payment processing companies and credit card companies are also financial service companies, but they derive their value from
 - Getting consumers to use their platforms to make payments to businesses or to each other, resulting in transactions on the platform (called Gross Merchandising Value or GMV)
 - Keeping a slice, called a take rate, of the GMV for themselves.

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Terminal value					₹	3,564,246.92						
PV(Terminal value)					₹	1,377,090.74						
PV (CF over next 10 year	rs)				₹	36,169.53						
Value of operating asset	cs =				₹	1,413,260.27						
Adjustment for distress	;				₹	35,331.51				Probability of failure =	5.00	%
- Debt & Minority Inter	ests	,			₹	12,006.00						
+ Cash & Other Non-operating assets					₹	7,785.00						
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