# Chp 5. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS AND REPORTING (PART 1)

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# STRUCTURE OF A BALANCE SHEET

#### Goodwill

Premium paid in acquisitions of other companies

#### Intangibles

Intangible assets, including trademarks, patents, catalogs, brands copyrights, formulas, franchises, and mailing lists, net of accumulated amortizations

#### **Fixed Assets**

All property, plant and equipment (PP&E), net of accumulated depreciations or depletion

#### **Financial Investments**

Investments in financial assets (classified as AFS or HTM), including investments measured with the equity method

#### Other Non-Current Assets

Prepaid items and any other non-current assets

#### **Initial Capital**

Initial realized capital by shareholders, plus issuance of new capital, less capital reductions.

#### **Treasury/Own Shares**

Shares that the company owns, which represents its own Capital. The item includes premiums/discounts when shares were acquired. The item has a negative sign.

#### Reserves

All amounts that were added as reserves, both voluntary and mandatory by commercial laws.

## **ASSETS**

#### **Non-Current Assets**

Goodwill Intangibles **Fixed Assets** Financial Investments Other Non-Current Assets

#### **Current Assets**

Inventory Trade Receivables (net) Other Current Assets Cash & Equivalents

#### Inventory

Anything constituting inventory for the firm, including raw materials, work-in-progress and finished foods

#### **Trade Receivables (net)**

All accounts from trade, net of allowance for doubtful accounts

#### Other Current Assets

Any other current assets, not including prepaid items. May be related to deferred tax assets.

#### **Cash & Equivalents**

All cash, marketplace, securities, and other near-cash items. Excludes sinking funds.

### SHAREHOLDER'S **EQUITY**

**Initial Capital** Treasury/Own Shares Reserves **Retained Earnings** Net Income Minority Interests

#### **Retained Earnings**

Sum of all previous earnings, deducted by all dividends distributed to shareholders

#### Net Income

Net Income or Net Loss from the current period

#### **Minority Interests**

Fraction of Shareholder's Equity not belonging to the company's shareholders

# STRUCTURE OF A BALANCE SHEET / P&L

#### **Long-Term Debt**

All senior debt, including bonds, debentures, bank debt, mortgages, deferred portions of long-term debt, and capital lease obligations

#### **Deferred Taxes**

All deferred taxes, mostly deferred tax liabilities

#### Other Non-Current Liabilities

Any other non-current liabilities

#### **Net Sales**

Gross sales, net of returns and discounts allowed, if any

#### COGS

Cost of Goods Sold, especially for industries other than services

#### **Gross Profit**

Net sales minus COGS

#### **Operating Expenses**

All selling and general & administrative (SG&A) expenses. Includes depreciations, amortizations, rents and restructuring costs.

# LIABILITIES Non-Current Liabilities

Long-Term Debt Deferred Taxes Other Non-Current Liabilities

#### **Current Liabilities**

Trade Payables
Income Taxes Payable
Other Current Liabilities
Current Maturities of LongTerm Debt
Notes Payable Short-Term

#### P&L

Net Sales
COGS
Gross Profit
Operating Expenses
Operating Income/EBIT
Financial Result
EBT
Taxes
Net Income

#### **Trade Payables**

Open accounts due to the trade

#### **Income Taxes Payable**

Income taxes including current portion of deferred taxes

#### **Other Current Liabilities**

Any other current liabilities, including bank overdrafts and accrued expenses

#### **Current Maturities of Long-Term Debt**

That portion of long-term obligations that is due within the next fiscal year

#### **Notes Payable Short-Term**

All short-term note obligations, including bank and commercial paper. Does not include trade notes payable

#### **Operating Income/EBIT**

Gross profit minus operating expenses.

Operating Income may differ from EBIT in the presence of non-recurring items

#### **Financial Result**

Includes interest expenses and interest income

#### Taxes

Includes the current tax expense, plus the deferred tax expense for the period

# APPROACHES TO MODELING REVENUE

## Top-Down Approach

- Start with the economy
- Look at successively more narrowly defined levels

## Bottom-Up Approach

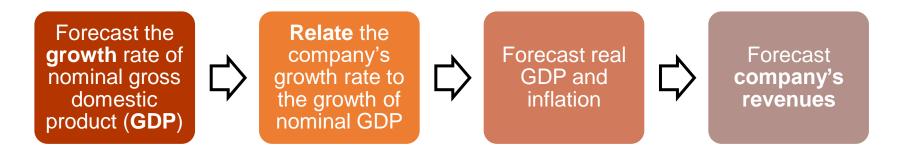
- Begin with individual product lines, locations, or business segments
- Aggregate projections over products or segments to reach the company level
- Aggregate company revenues to reach the industry level

## Hybrid Approach

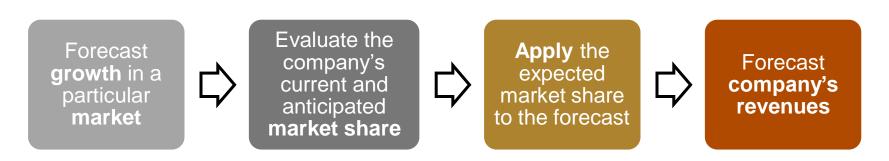
 Combine top-down and bottom-up approaches

## TOP-DOWN APPROACHES TO FORECASTING REVENUE

### "Growth relative to GDP growth" approach



### "Market growth and market share" approach



# INCOME STATEMENT MODELING: OPERATING COSTS

- Analyst can take a top-down, bottom-up, or hybrid approach to analyzing and forecasting costs.
  - Consider **fixed** and **variable cost** components of operating costs
- Economies of scale may exist if the average cost per unit falls as revenues increase.
  - Indicative of economics of scale: operating margins positively correlated with revenues.
- Costs are challenging to estimate based on reported accounts
  - For example, companies reserve against losses based on estimates, but the actual losses may differ from the estimates

## FORECASTING COSTS

### Cost of goods sold: focus on gross margins

- Generally forecasted as a percentage of sales and can be broken down by product line or segment
- Consider a company's **hedging activity** that may affect costs of raw materials
- Compare with competitors' gross margins.

### Selling, general, and administrative (SG&A) expenses: focus on type of expense

- Some SG&A expenses vary with cost of goods sold, whereas other SG&A expenses are relatively fixed (e.g., overhead)
- Benchmarking against competitors may be useful

### Nonoperating costs: depends on the type of cost

- Interest income varies with cash and investments, whereas interest expense varies with debt
- Taxes are affected by the jurisdiction and the type of business

## BALANCE SHEET MODELING

- Balance sheet modeling is the process of forecasting a company's balance sheet based on the following:
  - Items that flow from the income statement (e.g., retained earnings)
  - Items that vary with revenues (e.g., accounts receivable)
  - Items that are the result of investment or financing decisions (e.g., gross plant, property, and equipment)
- Items affected by the level of revenues can often be forecasted by using historical or projected efficiency (e.g., turnover) ratios.
- Forecasts of long-term assets are a function of forecasted capital expenditures and depreciation. Capital expenditures include
  - maintenance capital expenditures, needed to sustain the business, and
  - growth capital expenditures, needed to expand the business.

## **EVALUATING PROFITABILITY**

- Using forecasted income statement and balance sheet accounts, an analyst can
  evaluate the company's forecasted profitability.
- Useful measures of profitability include:
  - Return on invested capital (ROIC) there are several formulations for ROIC

$$ROIC = \frac{\text{Net operating profit less adjusted taxes (NOPLAT)}}{\text{Operating assets - Operating liabilities}}$$

- Return on capital employed (ROCE)

$$ROCE = \frac{Operating profit}{Invested capital}$$

- Return on equity (ROE)

$$ROE = \frac{\text{Net income}}{\text{Equity}}$$

• Because of the uncertainty associated with forecasting, analysts can use sensitivity analysis or scenario analysis to evaluate the forecasted profitability.

## INVESTED CAPITAL

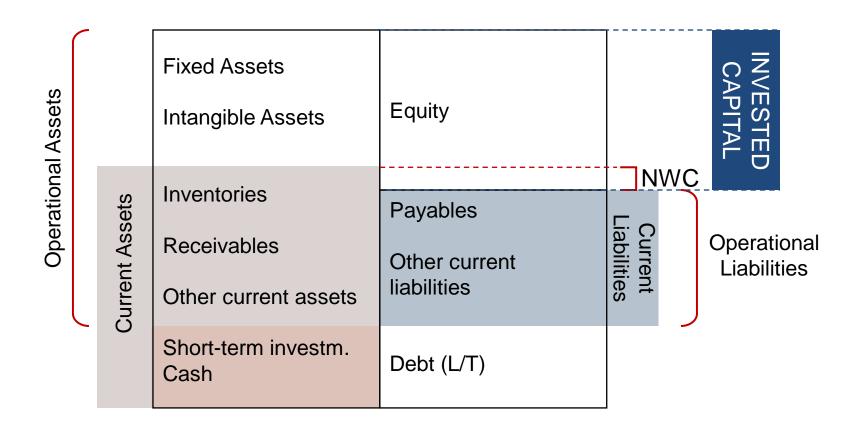
**Invested** = Equity + Net Debt = 42 + 23 - (3 + 13) = 49

Capital = Fixed Assets + Intangibles + CA - CL - Cash = 28 + 8 + 62 - 33 - 16 = 49

= Operating Assets – Operating Liabilities = (28 + 8 + 26 + 16 + 4) - (24 + 9) = 49

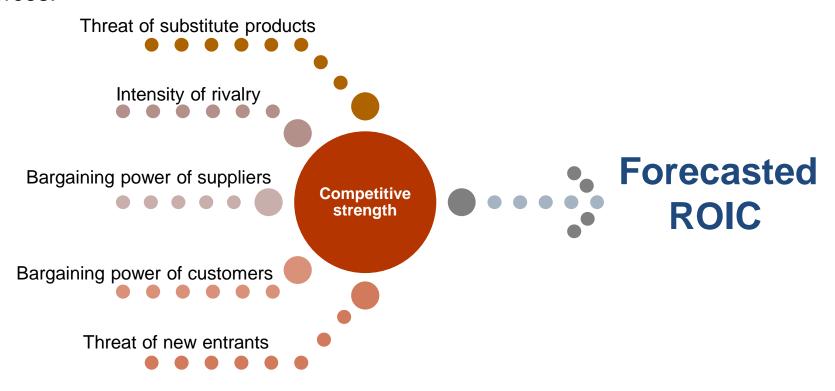
	Fixed Assets Intangible Assets	28 8	Equity	42	
Current Assets	Inventories Receivables Other CA	26 16 4	Payables Other CL	24	Current Liabilities
Curre	Short-term inv. Cash	3 13	Debt (L/T)	23	

# **INVESTED CAPITAL**



# ROIC AND COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE

- Understanding the competitive strength of the industry in which a company operates helps an analyst forecast profitability and, hence, ROIC.
- Tools to assess the competitive structure of an industry include Porter's five forces.



# COMPETITIVE PRESSURES AFFECTING PRICES AND COSTS

- Ability to control costs affects a company's ROIC
  - A company that has <u>weak bargaining power with suppliers</u> has less ability to control costs
- Ability to control prices affects a company's ROIC
  - A company that has <u>weak bargaining power with customers</u> is less able to control prices
  - If there are <u>lower barriers to entry</u> for an industry, companies in the industry may not be able to control prices
  - If there is a <u>strong threat of substitutes</u>, a company has less ability to control prices
  - A company in an industry with intense rivalry will not be able to control prices

# JUDGING THE COMPETITIVE POSITION: EXAMPLES

Industry	Competitive position
<ul> <li>Fast food industry</li> <li>Many convenient locations</li> <li>Low start-up costs</li> <li>Alternatives available</li> </ul>	?
<ul> <li>Mobile phone industry</li> <li>Capital requirements for manufacturing</li> <li>Patents for hardware and software</li> <li>Innovation-driven market</li> <li>Many substitutes</li> <li>Ties to service providers</li> </ul>	?

## **FORECAST HORIZON**

- Factors affecting forecast horizon include the following:
  - Investment strategy for which the stock is being considered
  - Cyclicality of the industry
  - Company-specific factors
  - Analyst's employer preferences
- Longer-term projections may give a better picture of the normalized earnings of a company.
  - **Normalized earnings** are the expected level of sales mid-cycle, but without unusual or temporary factors.

# PROJECTIONS BEYOND THE SHORT-TERM HORIZON

- Beyond the short-term horizon, an analyst estimates a terminal value.
- Methods of estimating a terminal value include
  - multiples (historical or adjusted historical) and
  - discounted cash flow (DCF)
- Considerations
  - When will the future look different than the past—that is, where is the inflection point?
    - Economic disruptions
    - Regulation
    - Technology
    - Sustainable long-term growth

# CONSTRUCTING THE PRO FORMA INCOME STATEMENT

Forecast revenues

Forecast nonoperating expenses and taxes









Forecast cost of goods sold and SG&A expenses Build the pro forma income statement

# CONSTRUCTING THE PRO FORMA CASH FLOW STATEMENT AND BALANCE SHEET

Forecast capital investments and depreciation

Build the pro forma cash flow statement









Forecast working capital accounts

Build the pro forma balance sheet