

## Chapter 13

## Capital Budgeting Techniques



# After studying Chapter 13, you should be able to: 

Understand the payback period (PBP) method of project evaluation and selection, including its: (a) calculation; (b) acceptance criterion; (c) advantages and disadvantages; and (d) focus on liquidity rather than profitability.
Understand the three major discounted cash flow (DCF) methods of project evaluation and selection - internal rate of return (IRR), net present value (NPV), and profitability index (PI).
Explain the calculation, acceptance criterion, and advantages (over the PBP method) for each of the three major DCF methods.
Define, construct, and interpret a graph called an "NPV profile."
Understand why ranking project proposals on the basis of IRR, NPV, and PI methods "may" lead to conflicts in ranking.
Describe the situations where ranking projects may be necessary and justify when to use either IRR, NPV, or PI rankings.
Understand how "sensitivity analysis" allows us to challenge the single-point input estimates used in traditional capital budgeting analysis.
Explain the role and process of project monitoring, including "progress reviews" and "post-completion audits."

# Fapital Budgeting Techniques 

- Project Evaluation and Selection - Potential Difficulties
- Capital Rationing
- Project Monitoring
- Post-Completion Audit


# We Project Evaluation: Alternative Methods 

- Payback Period (PBP)
- Internal Rate of Return (IRR)
- Net Present Value (NPV)
- Profitability Index (PI)



## Proposed Project Data

Julie Miller is evaluating a new project for her firm, (BMW). She has determined that the after-tax cash flows for the project will be $\$ 10,000$; \$12,000; \$15,000; \$10,000; and \$7,000, respectively, for each of the Years 1 through 5. The initial cash outlay will be $\$ 40,000$.

Independent Project

- For this project, assume that it is independent of any other potential projects that Basket Wonders may undertake.
- Independent -- A project whose acceptance (or rejection) does not prevent the acceptance of other projects under consideration.

Payback Period (PBP)




## Payback Solution (\#1)



Cumulative Inflows

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { PBP }=a+(b-c) / d= \\
& 3+(40-37) / 10=3+ \\
& (3) / 10 \quad=3.3 \text { Years }
\end{aligned}
$$

## Payback Solution (\#2)



Cumulative
Cash Flows
PBP $=3+(3 \mathrm{~K}) / 10 \mathrm{~K}$ = 3.3 Years

Note: Take absolute value of last negative cumulative cash flow value.

# PBP Acceptance Criterion 

The management of Basket Wonders has set a maximum PBP of 3.5 years for projects of this type.

## Should this project be accepted?

Yes! The firm will receive back the initial cash outlay in less than 3.5 years. [3.3 Years < 3.5 Year Max.]

##  <br> PBP Strengths and Weaknesses

## Strengths:

- Easy to use and understand
- Can be used as a measure of liquidity
- Easier to forecast ST than LT flows 13-11


## Weaknesses:

- Does not account for TVM
- Does not consider cash flows beyond the PBP


## - Cutoff period is subjective

## Internal Rate of Return (IRR)

IRR is the discount rate that equates the present value of the future net cash flows from an investment project with the project's initial cash outflow.

$$
I C O=\frac{C F_{1}}{(1+\| R R)^{1}}+\frac{C F_{2}}{(1+\| R R)^{2}}+\ldots+\frac{C F_{n}}{(1+\| R R)^{n}}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \$ 40,000=\frac{\$ 10,000}{(1+\mid R R)^{1}}+\frac{\$ 12,000}{}+ \\
& \frac{\left.\$ 15,60 \hbar \delta^{R R}\right)^{2} \$ 10,000}{(\$ 7+0 N R)^{3}}+\frac{(1+\| R R)^{4}}{(1+\| R R)^{5}}
\end{aligned}
$$

Find the interest rate ( $/ R R$ ) that causes the discounted cash flows to equal $\$ 40,000$.

## IRR Acceptance Criterion

The management of Basket Wonders has determined that the hurdle rate is $13 \%$ for projects of this type.

## Should this project be accepted?

No! The firm will receive $11.57 \%$ for each dollar invested in this project at a cost of 13\%. [ IRR < Hurdle Rate ]


## IRR Strengths and Weaknesses

## Strengths:

- Accounts for TVM
- Considers all cash flows
- Less subjectivity


## Weaknesses:

- Assumes all cash flows reinvested at the IRR
- Difficulties with project rankings and Multiple IRRs



## Net Present Value (NPV)

$N P V$ is the present value of an investment project's net cash flows minus the project's initial cash outflow.

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\begin{aligned}
N P V= & \frac{C F_{1}}{(1+k)^{1}}+\frac{C F_{2}}{(1+k)^{2}}+\ldots+\frac{C F_{n}}{(1+k)^{n}}-\| C O
\end{aligned}
$$

## NPV Solution

Basket Wonders has determined that the appropriate discount rate (k) for this project is $13 \%$.

$$
\left.\begin{array}{rl}
N P V= & \frac{\$ 10,000}{\$(15,0090}+\frac{\$ 12,000}{(1.13)^{2}}+\frac{}{(1.13)^{3}}+ \\
& \frac{\$ 10,000}{(1.13)^{4}}+\frac{\$ 7,000}{(1.13)^{5}}
\end{array}=\$ 40,000\right)
$$



## NPV Acceptance Criterion

The management of Basket Wonders has determined that the required rate is $13 \%$ for projects of this type.

## Should this project be accepted?

No! The NPV is negative. This means that the project is reducing shareholder wealth. [Reject as NPV < 0]


## NPV Strengths and Weaknesses

## Strengths:

- Cash flows assumed to be reinvested at the hurdle rate.
- Accounts for TVM.


## Weaknesses:

- May not include managerial options embedded in the project. See Chapter 14.
- Considers all cash flows.



## Profitability Index (PI)

Pl is the ratio of the present value of a project's future net cash flows to the project's initial cash outflow.
Method \#1:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{PI}= & {\left[\frac{C F_{1}}{(1+k)^{1}}+\frac{C F_{2}}{(1+k)^{2}}+\ldots+C F_{n}\right] \div } \\
(1+k)^{n} & \ll \text { OR } \gg
\end{aligned}
$$

Method \#2:

$$
\mathrm{PI}=1 \text { + [ NPV / ICC ] }
$$

## PI Acceptance Criterion

PI $=\$ 38,572 / \$ 40,000$
$=.9643$ (Method \#1, 13-34)

## Should this project be accepted?

No! The Pl is less than 1.00 . This means that the project is not profitable. [Reject as Pl < 1.00 ]


## PI Strengths and Weaknesses

## Strengths:

- Same as NPV
- Allows
comparison of different scale projects


## Weaknesses:

- Same as NPV
- Provides only relative profitability
- Potential Ranking Problems


## Evaluation Summary

## Basket Wonders Independent Project



| PBP | 3.3 | 3.5 | Accept |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IRR | $11.47 \%$ | $13 \%$ | Reject |
| NPV | $-\$ 1,424$ | $\$ 0$ | Reject |
| PI | .96 | 1.00 | Reject |

- Dependent -- A project whose acceptance depends on the acceptance of one or more other projects.
- Mutually Exclusive -- A project whose acceptance precludes the acceptance of one or more alternative projects.



# Potential Problems Under Mutual Exclusivity 

## Ranking of project proposals may create contradictory results.

A. Scale of Investment
B. Cash-flow Pattern
C. Project Life

## A. Scale Differences

## Compare a small (S) and a large (L) project.

| END OF YEAR | Project S | Project L |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | $-\$ 100$ | $-\$ 100,000$ |
| 1 | 0 |  |

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\$400

## Scale Differences

## Calculate the PBP, IRR, NPV@10\%, and PI@10\%.

## Which project is preferred? Why?

## Project

| S | $100 \%$ | $\$$ | 231 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 3.31 |  |  |
| L | $25 \%$ | $\$ 29,132$ | 1.29 |

## B. Cash Flow Pattern

## Let us compare a decreasing cash-flow (D) project and an increasing cash-flow (I) project.

END OF YEAR

## Cash Flow Pattern

## Calculate the IRR, NPV@10\%, and PI@10\%.

## Which project is preferred?

## Project IRR NPV PI




## Capital Rationing

## Capital Rationing occurs when a

 constraint (or budget ceiling) is placed on the total size of capital expenditures during a particular period.Example: Julie Miller must determine what investment opportunities to undertake for Basket Wonders (BW). She is limited to a maximum expenditure of $\$ 32,500$ only for this capital budgeting period.


## Available Projects for BW

## Project ICO IRR NPV PI A \$ $500 \quad 18 \% \quad \$ \quad 50 \quad 1.10$ B $\begin{array}{lllllll}5,000 & 25 & 6,500 & 2.30 & \text { C } & 5,000 & 37\end{array}$ 5,500 2.10 D 7,500 20 5,000 <br> $\begin{array}{llll}1.67 \text { E } & 12,500 & 26 & 500 \\ 1.04 & F\end{array}$ <br> 15,000 $28 \quad 21,000 \quad 2.40$ G 17,500 $19 \quad 7,500 \quad 1.43$ H 25,000 15 <br> 6,000 1.24

## Choosing by IRRs for BW

## Project ICO <br> IRR <br> NPV PI

C \$ 5,000 37\% \$ 5,500 $2.10 \quad$ F 15,000 $28 \quad 21,000 \quad 2.40 \quad$ E 12,500 26 $\begin{array}{llllll}500 & 1.04 & \text { B } & 5,000 & 25 & 6,500\end{array}$
2.30

Projects C, F, and E have the three largest IRRs.
The resulting increase in shareholder wealth is $\$ 27,000$ with a $\$ 32,500$ outlay.


## Choosing by NPVs for BW

\section*{Project ICO IRR NPV PI <br> F $\quad \$ 15,000 \quad 28 \% \quad \$ 21,000 \quad 2.40 \quad$ G <br> | 17,500 | 19 | 7,500 | 1.43 | B | 5,000 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | 6,500 2.30 <br> Projects F and G have the two largest NPVs.}

The resulting increase in shareholder wealth is $\$ 28,500$ with a $\$ 32,500$ outlay.

## Choosing by Pls for BW

## Project ICO <br> IRR <br> NPV PI

F $\$ 15,000 \quad 28 \% \quad \$ 21,000 \quad 2.40 \quad B$

| 5,000 | 25 |  | 6,500 | 2.30 | C | $\mathbf{5 , 0 0 0}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 37 | 5,500 | 2.10 | D | 7,500 | 20 |  |
| 5,000 | 1.67 | G | 17,500 | 19 | 7,500 |  |

1.43

Projects F, B, C, and D have the four largest Pls.
The resulting increase in shareholder wealth is $\$ 38,000$ with a $\$ 32,500$ outlay.

## Summary of Comparison

Method
PI $F, B, C$, and $D$
NPV $\quad F$ and $G$
IRR C, F, and E

Value Added
\$38,000
\$28,500
\$27,000

P| generates the greatest increase in shareholder wealth when a limited capital budget exists for a single period.


## Single-Point Estimate and Sensitivity Analysis

Sensitivity Analysis: A type of "what-if" uncertainty analysis in which variables or assumptions are changed from a base case in order to determine their impact on a project's measured results (such as NPV or IRR).

- Allows us to change from "single-point" (i.e., revenue, installation cost, salvage, etc.) estimates to a "what if" analysis
- Utilize a "base-case" to compare the impact of individual variable changes
- E.g., Change forecasted sales units to see impact on the project's NPV



## Post-Completion Audit

## Post-completion Audit

A formal comparison of the actual costs and benefits of a project with original estimates.

- Identify any project weaknesses
- Develop a possible set of corrective actions
- Provide appropriate feedback


## Result: Making better future decisions!

## Multiple IRR Problem*

## Let us assume the following cash flow

 pattern for a project for Years 0 to 4:$$
-\$ 100+\$ 100+\$ 900-\$ 1,000
$$

## How many potential IRRs could this project have?

Two!! There are as many potential IRRs as there are sign changes.

* Refer to Appendix A


## Modiefied rate of return

- The modified internal rate of return (MIRR) is a financial measure of an investment's attractiveness. It is used in capital budgeting to rank alternative investments of equal size. As the name implies, MIRR is a modification of the internal rate of return (IRR) and as such aims to resolve some problems with the IRR.
$\left(\frac{-\operatorname{NPV}(\text { rate }, \text { valwes }[\text { positive }])^{*}(1+\text { rrate })^{\prime \prime}}{\operatorname{NPV}\left(\text { frate }, \text { valwes }[\text { negative })^{*}(1+\text { frate })\right.}\right)^{\frac{1}{s-1}}-1$


## MIRR

- To calculate the MIRR, we will assume a finance rate of $10 \%$ and a reinvestment rate of $12 \%$. First, we calculate the present value of the negative cash flows (discounted at the finance rate): PV(negative cash flows, finance rate $)=-1000-4000 *(1+10 \%)^{-1}=-4636.36$.
- Second, we calculate the future value of the positive cash flows (reinvested at the reinvestment rate): FV (positive cash flows, reinvestment rate $)=5000 *(1+12 \%)+2000=$ 7600.

