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General Instructions:

1. Please **SIGN** the academic integrity statement above.
2. Please put your **Name and Student ID# on ALL NINE pages** of this exam.
3. This is an **open book and open notes exam**. Notes are **any handwritten or printed materials**, including but not limited to, previous assignments, quizzes, and exams plus their solution sets.
4. The use of **scientific and financial calculators is encouraged**.
5. **Laptop computers or any other devices that can be used for communication are NOT permitted**.
6. Please **do NOT take apart the pages** of this exam.
7. You have **1 hour and 10 minutes** to work this exam.
8. Good Luck!

Part I - Multiple Choice Questions (4 Marks)

There are four multiple-choice questions in this part. Each question counts 1 mark. Circle the **ONE** answer that is the **BEST** answer to each question. No credit is given for (a) no answer, (b) more than one answer, or (c) an answer other than the best answer to a question.

1. Which of the following statements is (are) **TRUE**?

- a. Projects with a positive NPV will **ALWAYS** be positive regardless of economic conditions.
- b. Projects that produce an NPV of zero should **ALWAYS** be rejected.
- c. The market value of any firm in an efficient market should equal the sum of all projects costs.
- d. Because of the competitive nature of today's business environment, we would NOT expect to see an abundance of positive NPV opportunities to persist for very long.**
- e. Both a. and b. above
- f. Both b. and c. above
- g. Both a. and d. above
- h. Both b. and d. above

2. Use the following four concepts to answer this question:

- I. Increased after-tax income.
- II. Tax savings due to increased depreciation expense.
- III. Increased expenditures on inventory for the new project.
- IV. Benefits that accrue to the local community.

Among the concepts provided above, which would be considered relevant cash flows in a capital budgeting evaluation?

- a. I and II only
- b. I and III only
- c. I and IV only
- d. I only
- e. I, II, and III only**
- f. I, II, and IV only
- g. I, III, and IV only
- h. I, II, III, and IV

3. Use the following three concepts to answer this question:

- I. Flotation costs
- II. Agency costs
- III. Taxes

Among the above concepts, which may cause the cost of a security to a company to differ from the security's yield in the capital markets?

- a. I only
- b. II only
- c. III only
- d. I and II only
- e. I and III only**
- f. II and III only
- g. I, II, and III
- h. None of the above

4. If markets were **weak form efficient**, which of the following situations would **NOT** yield abnormal returns?

- a. Analyzing a company's earnings report.
- b. Identifying a pattern in a company's stock price.**
- c. Obtaining insider information.
- d. All of the above could yield abnormal returns.
- e. None of the above would yield abnormal returns.
- f. Both a. and b. above would **NOT** yield abnormal returns.
- g. Both a. and c. above would **NOT** yield abnormal returns.
- h. Both b. and c. above would **NOT** yield abnormal returns.

Part II - Multiple Choice Problems (6 Marks)

There are three multiple-choice problems in this part. Each problem is worth 2 marks. *To receive credit, you must show your work.* Each problem is on a separate page and an additional blank work page is provided for each problem. If you are using a financial calculator, **show what you are entering into the financial registers and show significant keystrokes.** Please also **specify the brand and model number.**

5. CKR Consultants is purchasing **\$400 million** in office equipment to expand operations to every major city in Canada. This equipment will be placed in **CCA class 8** with a **20 percent CCA rate**. The firm's **marginal income tax rate is 40 percent**. What are the **tax shields or savings generated in year 2** from CCA? Be sure to **follow the half-year convention** as required by the Income Tax Act.
- a. \$72,000,000
 - b. \$28,800,000**
 - c. \$64,000,000
 - d. \$25,600,000
 - e. \$80,000,000
 - f. \$40,000,000
 - g. \$32,000,000
 - h. \$16,000,000
 - i. None of the above

Year	Starting UCC	CCA	CCA Tax Shields	Ending UCC
1	\$400,000,000	\$40,000,000	\$16,000,000	\$360,000,000
2	\$360,000,000	\$72,000,000	\$28,800,000	\$288,000,000

Apply the $\frac{1}{2}$ year convention, the CCA in the first year will be $\frac{1}{2} \times 0.20 \times \$400M = \$40,000,000$. The tax savings generated by this CCA will be $0.40 \times \$40,000,000 = \$16,000,000$ in year 1. **The question asks for the CCA tax shields in year 2, which are \$28,800,000.**

Marking Scheme:

- $\frac{1}{2}$ mark for remembering the $\frac{1}{2}$ year convention
- $\frac{1}{2}$ mark for correctly calculating the CCA for the first year
- $\frac{1}{2}$ mark for correctly calculating the CCA for the second year
- $\frac{1}{2}$ mark for correctly calculating the tax savings for the second year

NB. If a student forgot the $\frac{1}{2}$ year convention, then the student can earn 1 mark if the student was otherwise correct. This means that the student would calculate the CCA for the first year as \$80,000,000, the CCA for the second year as \$64,000,000, and the tax savings for the second year as \$25,600,000.

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6. Frank's Hardware is a chain of stores in Eastern Ontario catering to the do it yourselfers. The firm's **depreciation-generated funds were \$160,000** for fiscal 2012, and its **additions to retained earnings were \$150,000**. The firm has a **0.25 debt-to-equity ratio** based on the market value of its debt and common shares. Its best estimate of the **cost of internal equity is 20 percent**. Frank has been offered a **10 percent interest-only term loan for 15 years** from the Hospitable Insurance Company (HIC), assuming that Frank maintains its current debt-to-equity ratio. The firm's **marginal income tax rate is 40 percent**. How much can the firm invest before it needs to raise external equity if it maintains its current debt-to-equity ratio, and what is the firm's weighted average cost of capital?
- a. \$360,000, 16.50%
 - b. \$347,500, 17.20%**
 - c. \$200,000, 16.50%
 - d. \$187,500, 17.20%
 - e. \$360,000, 17.50%
 - f. \$347,500, 18.00%
 - g. \$200,000, 17.50%
 - h. \$187,500, 18.00%
 - i. None of the above

$$\frac{D}{S} = 0.25 \rightarrow D = 0.25S \rightarrow w_d = \frac{D}{V} = \frac{D}{S+D} = \frac{0.25S}{S+0.25S} = 0.20 \rightarrow w_e = 0.80$$

Equity breakpoint = Dep. generated funds + Add. to R.E./ w_e

$$\text{Equity breakpoint} = \$160,000 + \$150,000/(0.80) = \$160,000 + \$187,500 = \$347,500$$

$$k_a = w_e k_e + w_d k_d (1 - T) = (0.80 \times 20\%) + [0.20 \times 10\% \times (1 - 0.4)]$$

$$k_a = 16.00\% + 1.20\% = 17.20\%$$

Marking Scheme:

½ mark for correctly calculating the debt weight

½ mark for the values of the weights summing to one

½ mark for correctly calculating the equity breakpoint GIVEN the student's weights

½ mark for correctly calculating weighted average cost of capital GIVEN student's weights

Answer a. – student used 0.25 weight for debt and 0.75 weight for equity for loss of ½ marks

Answer c. – student forgot depreciation-generated funds & used 0.25 & 0.75 weights for loss of 1 mark

Answer d. – student forgot depreciation-generated funds for loss of ½ marks

Answer e. – student used before-tax cost of debt & used 0.25 & 0.75 weights for loss of 1 mark

Answer f. – student used before-tax cost of debt k_d for loss of ½ marks

Answer g. – depreciation-generated funds omitted, k_d used, & 0.25 & 0.75 weights used for loss of 1½ marks

Answer h. – depreciation-generated funds omitted and k_d used for loss of 1 mark

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7. iGAME is a newly formed firm that plans to make action games for the new iPad and iPad mini. It needs to invest in a high-powered computer server to link its different programmers. A **type S server** will last for **5 years** with a **\$50,000,000 cost** and will generate **after-tax cash flows of \$21,000,000 per year**. It can be replaced with an identical machine every 5 years that also will cost \$50,000,000 and will generate after-tax cash flows of \$21,000,000 per year. Alternatively, iGAME can invest in a **type L server** that will last **6 years** with a **\$65,000,000 cost** and will generate **yearly after-tax cash flows of \$23,000,000**. It can be replaced with an identical machine every 6 years that also will cost \$65,000,000 and will generate after-tax cash flows of \$23,000,000 per year. Which of these 2 mutually exclusive alternatives should iGAME pursue if the **cost of capital for a server is 16 percent** and the firm plans to replace the selected server with an identical server as required?
- Invest in type L because its NPV is \$19,748,925.89, whereas type S has an NPV of \$18,760,166.73.
 - Invest in type L because its NPV is \$84,748,925.89, whereas type S has an NPV of \$68,760,166.73.
 - Invest in type S because its PI is 1.38, whereas the type L has a PI of 1.30.
 - Invest in type S because its IRR is 31.19 percent, whereas the type L has an IRR of 26.92 percent
 - Invest in type S because its EANPV is \$5,729,530.92, whereas type L has an EANPV of \$5,359,658.43.**
 - The firm would be indifferent as each type of server has an EANPV of \$5,544,594.68.
 - Invest in type S because its PB is 2.38 years, whereas type L has a PB of 2.83 years.
 - Invest in type S because its discounted PB is 3.24 years, whereas type L's discounted PB is 4.06 years.
 - None of the above

$$PV_S(\text{future CFs}) = \$21M \left[\frac{1 - \frac{1}{1.16^5}}{0.16} \right] = \$68,760,166.73 \quad NPV_S = \$68,760,166.73 - \$50M = \$18,760,166.73$$

$$PV_L(\text{future CFs}) = \$23M \left[\frac{1 - \frac{1}{1.16^6}}{0.16} \right] = \$84,748,925.89 \quad NPV_L = \$84,748,925.89 - \$65M = \$19,748,925.89$$

$$EANPV_S = \frac{NPV_S}{PVIFA_{16\%,5}} = \frac{\$18,760,166.73 \times 0.16}{\left[\frac{1 - \frac{1}{1.16^5}}{0.16} \right]} = \$5,729,530.92$$

$$EANPV_L = \frac{NPV_L}{PVIFA_{16\%,6}} = \frac{\$19,748,925.89 \times 0.16}{\left[\frac{1 - \frac{1}{1.16^6}}{0.16} \right]} = \$5,359,658.43$$

Choose the type S server as the type S server has higher EANPV and hence, higher replacement replication NPV over a common life of thirty years or in perpetuity.

The PI of S is $\$68,760,166.73 / \$50M = 1.38$, and the PI of L is $\$84,748,925.89 / \$65M = 1.30$. Find the IRR of S on the BA II+ calculator by setting $P/Y = C/Y = 1$, $N = 5$, $PV = -50,000,000$, $PMT = 21,000,000$, $FV = 0$, and $CPT I/Y = 31.19$. Find the IRR of L by setting $P/Y = C/Y = 1$, $N = 6$, $PV = -65,000,000$, $PMT = 23,000,000$, $FV = 0$, and $CPT I/Y = 26.92$. Since the cash inflows are level for both projects, the PBs are $\$50M / \$21M = 2.38$ years and $\$65M / \$23M = 2.83$ years for projects S and L, respectively. The discounted

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PBs are 3.24 years and 4.06 years, respectively. Although the correct PIs IRRs, PBs, and discounted PBs appear in answers c., d., g., & h. respectively, **none of these criteria is the proper one for selecting which mutually exclusive project should be done.** To see this, suppose that the initial outlay and annual net cash inflows were cut in half for the type S server. The PI, IRR, PB, and discounted PB would all be unaffected, but the NPV and hence the EANPV would be cut in half. Thus, type L would now be preferred.