

# Essay on corporate finance

Finance



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Consider a project to produce solar water heaters. It requires a \$10 million investment and offers a level after-tax cash flow of \$1.75 million per year for 10 years. The opportunity cost of capital is 12 percent, which reflects the project's business risk. Suppose the project is financed with \$5 million of debt and \$5 million of equity. The interest rate is 8 percent and the marginal tax rate is 35 percent. The debt will be paid off in equal annual installments over the project's 10-year life. A) Calculate APV.

APV = NPV + PV of debt tax shield  
 NPV = PV of cash flows - initial investment

Initial Investment 10,000,000 Cash flows 1,750,000 Period 10 years

Discounting rate 12% PV of cash flows 9,887,890 using the PV function NPV

(112,110) We now calculate the PV of debt tax shield

Year	Debt Outstanding at Start of Year	Interest	Interest Tax Shields	Present Value of Tax Shields
1	5,000,000	400,000	140,000	129,630
2	4,500,000	360,000	126,000	108,025
3	4,000,000	320,000	112,000	88,909
4	3,500,000	280,000	98,000	72,033
5	3,000,000	240,000	84,000	57,169
6	2,500,000	200,000	70,000	44,112
7	2,000,000	160,000	56,000	32,675
8	1,500,000	120,000	42,000	22,691
9	1,000,000	80,000	28,000	14,007
10	500,000	40,000	14,000	6,485
Total	2,200,000	770,000	575,736	575,736

NPV (112,110) PV of debt tax shield 575,736 APV 463,626

B) How does APV change if the firm incurs issue costs of \$400,000 to raise the \$5 million of required equity?

With flotation cost, APV = NPV + PV of debt tax shield - flotation cost

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