

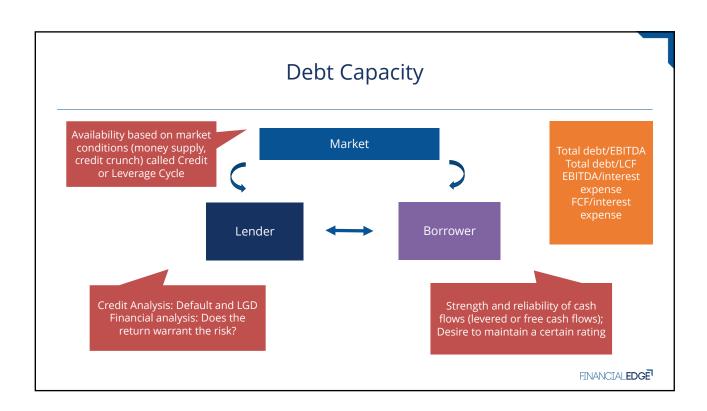


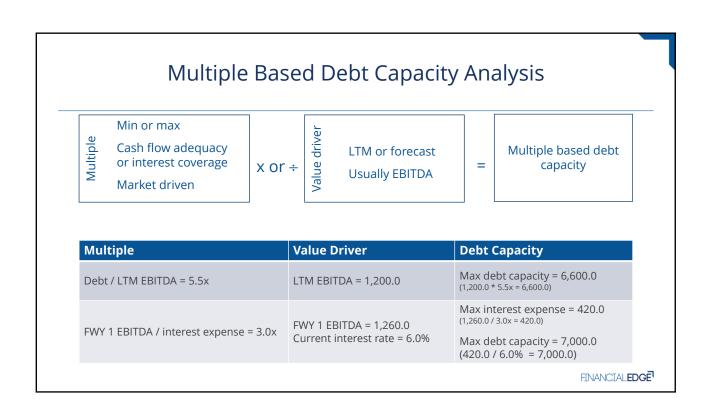
What Does Debt Capacity Tell Us?

- 1 How much additional leverage can be supported by the business
 - Potential strategic acquisition
 - Leverage buyout (LBO)
 - Share buyback/special dividend (for higher rated credits)
- 2 How much room for a company to struggle
 - Useful for companies in turnaround or
 - · Cyclical or seasonal companies going into troughs
 - Smaller companies or weaker credits
- What would it take for a company to lose its current rating and/or lose an investment grade rating (to be discussed in ratings portion)
 - How much is the bank comfortable with
 - How much is too much for the company to handle (worst case)

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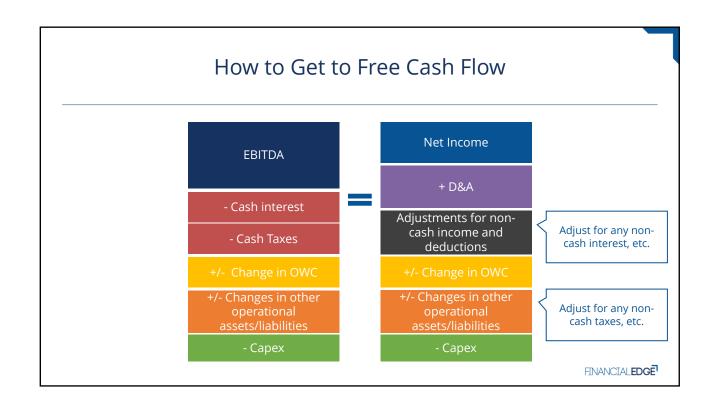






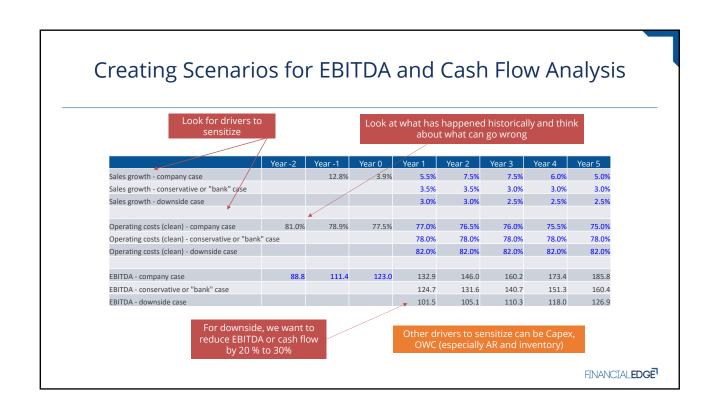


Dangers of Using Multiples **Media company** Manufacturer Lockheed Martin 1,249.0 6,292.0 **EBITDA** 1,077.2 5,438.0 Operating profit The manufacturer The publisher 35.0% 35.0% Tax rate has a low cash has high cash NOPAT 700.2 3,534.7 conversion from conversion due EBITDA due to Depreciation & to positive OWC 171.8 854.0 amortization high capex cash flow and requirements and 25.9 (894.0)Change in OWC relatively low negative OWC (126.8)(939.0)capex cash flow Free cash flow / cash flow available for debt 771.1 2,555.7 service 40.6% FCF / EBITDA (%) 61.7% EBITDA is a proxy for cash flow BUT not cash flow itself FINANCIALEDGE





Cash Flow-based Debt Capacity Analysis Year 1 Year 2 100.0 105.0 110.0 118.0 124.0 Bank Case free cash flows 5.0 Debt capacity established by NPV After-tax cost of debt 5.0% at post tax cost of debt PV of future bank case cash flows 479.7 A haircut can also be used Debt amortization schedule The repayment Beginning balance 479.7 403.7 318.9 224.9 118.1 is the Accrued interest 24.0 20.2 15.9 11.2 amortization of the loan Interest paid (24.0)(20.2)(15.9)(11.2)(5.9)Debt repayment (76.0)(118.1)(84.8)(94.1)(106.8)Ending balance 479.7 403.7 318.9 224.9 118.1 0.0 Debt is paid off by year five assuming all cash flows are used Cash flow-based capacity lending is based on the free cash flows forecast and current interest rates FINANCIALEDGE





Then Compare the Ratios

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Company case					
Total debt/EBITDA	2.6 x	2.2 x	1.7 x	1.2 x	0.5 x
(EBITDA-capex)/interest	6.5 x	6.3 x	7.8 x	10.7 x	18.4 x
Conservative or "bank" case					
Total debt/EBITDA	2.8 x	2.5 x	2.0 x	1.3 x	0.6 x
(EBITDA-capex)/interest	5.9 x	5.4 x	6.5 x	8.9 x	15.0 x
Downside case					
Total debt/EBITDA	3.4 x	3.1 x	2.5 x	1.7 x	0.8 x
(EBITDA-capex)/interest	4.3 x	3.8 x	4.5 x	6.1 x	10.5 x

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Amortization Example 1 The company is projected to struggle in the first to years, Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 200.0 210.0 240.0 260.0 290.0 which often happens after EBIT margin an acquisition 15.0% 17.0% 21.0% 22.0% 22.0% Bank Case free cash flows 90.0 110.0 120.0 130.0 150.0 Term 5.0 Cash flows do stabilize and 5.0% After-tax cost of debt margins expand by year 3 PV of future bank case cash flows 513.6 of the loan Debt amortization schedule 449.3 142.9 Beginning balance 513.6 361.8 259.9 Accrued interest 25.7 22.5 18.1 13.0 7.1 (22.5) Interest paid (25.7) (18.1) (13.0)(7.1) Are we giving enough room for the company to breath in the early part of Debt repayment (64.3)(87.5)(101.9)(117.0)(142.9)Ending balance 449.3 361.8 259.9 142.9 0.0 Amortization % 12.5% 17.0% 19.8% 22.8% 27.8% 100.0% FINANCIALEDGE



