

Quiz A: 8/9/16

Name Key

All Bad Choices (ABC) Inc. is considering building a new factory that will require an investment of \$150 million today and \$100 million a year from today. ABC expects that the new factory will produce its first cash flow two years from today. ABC expects this first cash flow to range between \$10 and \$50 million with an expected value of \$35 million per year through 20 years from today. If cash flows are lower than expected, the factory can be sold any time over the next five years for \$95 million. And if cash flow are greater than expected, the factory can be expanded any time over the next three years at a cost of \$125 million. ABC expects that the expansion would generate cash flows between \$5 million and \$25 million with an expected cash flow of \$20 million per year through 20 years from today. The standard deviation of returns on the new factory equals 35% over its entire life, 40% over the next five years, and 45% over the next three years. The standard deviation of returns on the expansion equals 50% over the life of the expansion, 60% over the next five years, and 65% over the next three years. The risk-free rate varies by maturity to maturity as follows: 1 = 0.56%; 2 = 0.72%; 3 = 0.86%; 5 = 1.13%; 7 = 1.41%; 10 = 1.59%; 20 = 1.91%; 30 = 2.32%. The cost of capital equals 10% for the project and 13% for the expansion.

How does the possibility of selling the factory if sales are lower than expected affect the value of the new plant?
Note: You only need to set up all the necessary equations and plug in all the variables. You don't have to solve anything.

$$+5 P = P(K)(1 - N(d_2)) - S^x(1 - N(d_1))$$

$$+5 PV(K) = \frac{95}{(1.0113)^{5+5}}$$

$$+5 d_2 = d_1 - \sigma\sqrt{T}$$

$$+5 d_1 = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{S^x}{PV(K)}\right)}{\sigma\sqrt{T}} + \frac{\sigma\sqrt{T}}{2}$$

$$\sigma = .4$$

$$T = 5$$

$$+5 S^x = \left(\frac{35}{.1}\right) \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{1.1}\right)^{19}\right) \left(\frac{1}{1.1}\right) - \left(\frac{35}{.1}\right) \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{1.1}\right)^4\right) \left(\frac{1}{1.1}\right)$$

Look up $N(d_1)$ + $N(d_2)$ on tables or Excel