## Portfolios & Systematic Risk

#### **Expected Return and Variance of a Portfolio**

 $E(R) = w_i E(r_i)$  $V(R) = w_i w_j Cov(r_i, r_j)$ 

The Variance Contributed by Stock i

$$w_{j}Cov(r_{i}, r_{j}) = Cov(r_{i}, w_{j}r)$$
$$= Cov(r_{i}, r_{m})$$

## Portfolios & Systematic Risk

Stocks with *small* or *negative* covariances with the market:

- 1. will reduce portfolio risk
- 2. will be demanded by investors.

Systematic risk determines value

## Residual Risk: Why it Does Not Affect Value

**Return Model for Securities Return on security i:**  $r_i = {}_i + {}_i r_m + {}_i$  **Return on security j:**  $r_j = {}_j + {}_j r_m + {}_j$  $E({}_i) = E({}_j) = 0, Cov({}_i, {}_j) = 0$ 

Expected Returns, Variances & Covariances  $E(r_i) = {}_i + {}_i E(r_m)$   $Var(r_i) = {}_i^2 Var(r_m) + Var()$  $Cov(r_i, r_i) = {}_i V(r_m)$ 

# Mean & Variance of Portfolio Returns

Form a Equally Weighted Portfolio of n Stocks

 $R = (1/n) \quad r_i = (1/n) \quad (i + i r_m) + (1/n)$  $Var(R) = (1/n)^2 \quad i \quad j Var(r_m) + (1/n)^2 \quad Var(i)$ 

Residual risk is "diversified away" in a portfolio. Therefore it has no effect on the cost of capital.

## Calculating the Cost of Equity

Cost of equity=risk free rate+Risk premium

 $r_e = r_f + (E(r_m) - r_f)$ 

where  $r_f$  is the risk free rate, and  $E(r_m)$  is the return on the market portfolio.

is the measure of systematic risk

 $=Cov(r_e, r_m)/Var(r_m)$ 

## Value of a Stock

large covariance with the market *implies* large Beta *implies* high cost of capital *implies* low stock price

Stock price=  $E(Cash Flow)/(1+r_i)^t$ 



## Some Betas

<u>Beta</u>	<u>COC</u>
0.617	<market< td=""></market<>
1.045	=Market
1.541	>Market
1.200	>Market
0.650	<market< td=""></market<>
1.435	>Market
0.565	<market< td=""></market<>
	<u>Beta</u> 0.617 1.045 1.541 1.200 0.650 1.435 0.565

Source Value Line, QuoteCom

### **Application to lunar mining of Helium-3**

How would a market for <sup>3</sup>He be organized? What would be the cost of capital to a lunar mining company? How much financing would be required?

Could the capital be raised?

Can D<sup>3</sup>He fusion generated power compete?

# Cost of Capital for a Lunar Mining Company

### **Residual Risk**

Related to lunar mining operations May be substantial Can be diversified away in investor portfolios <u>Systematic Risk</u>

Related to the sales of electricity Should be comparable to fuel suppliers to electric utilities and aerospace companies Cannot be diversified away in investor portfolios <u>Cost of Capital</u>

Should be comparable to fuel suppliers and aerospace companies

## D<sup>3</sup>He Penetration in US Electricity Market

	Predicted
Year	% of US Energy
	Generated by DHe3 Fusion
2015	0.03%
2020	0.41%
2025	1.80%
2030	7.19%
2050	60.27%

From Thompson, Ott, Kulcinski "Economic Analysis of the Use of Lunar Helium-3 as a Fuel in U.S. Energy Policy," Wisconsin Working Paper 3-90-5, 1990

## Financing the Lunar Mining Company: Production of <sup>3</sup>He

#### **Projected Investment in Mining Machines**

Year	Mach.	Mach Invest	Launch Invest	Total Invest
2015	1	\$ 10M	\$ 50M	\$ 60M
2020	10	\$ 100M	\$ 500M	\$ 600M
2025	57	\$ 570M	\$ 2.,850M	\$ 3,420M
2030	230	\$ 2,300M	\$11,500M	\$13,800M
2050	2050	\$20,500M	\$102,500M	\$123,000M

Investment per miner-\$10,000,000 Launch cost per miner \$50,000,000

# Financing the Lunar Mining Company: R&D



## Private Financing of Large Projects Is Possible...

#### Some Large Projects

Investor (Year, Project)		<u>Size</u>	
Globa	alstar (1996)	\$ 2.00B	
	(Satellite Communications)		
Gene	ral Electric (1986)	\$ 6.14B	
	(Acquisition of RCA)		
KKR	(1989)	\$26.4B	
	(Takeover of RJR Nabisco)		

# ...But Large Losses Can be Devastating

Orange County, CA (1994) ~\$1.7B loss on municipal investment pool ~Filed for reorganization under Chapter 9, Federal Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1978 <u>Barings Bank (1995)</u> ~Nicholas Leeson lost \$1.3B on a derivative gamble ~Barings bank ceased to exist as an independent unit

### **Two Financing Plans**

Government finances R&D; private enterprise finances production

Private enterprise finances R&D and production

### Are they feasible?

 Government pays R&D 1996-2015 in return for the by-products of lunar mining after 2015.

✓ Lunar mining Company finances miner purchases, launches, and mining operations starting in 2015 and recovers <sup>3</sup>He. Supplies by-products to the government after 2015.

### Government

- \$3.2B spent between
   1996 and 2015
- Return on investment delayed until after 2015
- Taxing power used to raise funds
- Maximum losses to taxpayers are small

### Lunar Mining Co

- No investment required until 2015
- Return on investment begins in 2015 when <sup>3</sup>He is recovered and sold to electric utilities
- Minimum risks to investors

## Private Only

### *Lunar Mining Company*

- finances R&D 1996-2015
- finances miners, launches, and production after 2015
- recovers and sells both <sup>3</sup>He and byproducts

### Government

 buys by-products from Lunar Mining Company after 2015

## Private Only

### Lunar Mining Co

- \$3.2B investment
   1996-2015 produces
   no return until 2015
- <sup>3</sup>He sales price must include R&D costs
- Risks relating to byproduct sales
- High risk venture with questionable profitability

### Government

- Smaller tax revenues needed 1996-2015
- Moon bases must be supplied from earth with high cost launches
- Increased cost of space programs

#### **General Assumptions**

• Scientific Base on the Moon Established by Government

• An Investor Owned Lunar Mining Company Exists

- Holds a U.S. Franchise for Mining <sup>3</sup>He on the Moon
- Responsible for Transport of Equipment to and <sup>3</sup>He from the Moon
- Markets <sup>3</sup>He Fuel to Utilities
- Is Financed Entirely with Equity Capital
- Seeks to Earn a Return Commensurate with Risks

 Government Agencies Fund Lunar Mining R&D in Return for Free Volatile By-Products

• First <sup>3</sup>He Mining in 2015

**Expenditure Categories Used to Analyze** the Cost of <sup>3</sup>He

**Operating Cost Categories** 

Mining Equipment, Labor, and Habitat Costs

Launch Costs

Required Profits

Income Taxes

**Development Cost and Cost Offset Categories** 

• Research and Development Costs

Cost Offsets from Volatiles

Assumptions Regarding Mining Operating Starting in 2015 (cost in 1993\$)

**Launch Costs** 

#### \$1000/kg

50 tonnes

Miner Mass Miner Economic Life Miner Capacity Miner Purchase Price

Labor Force on the Moon Salary and Fringe Benefits Habitat and Consumables 20 years 33 kg of <sup>3</sup>He/year/miner \$10,000,000

3 persons/miner \$500,000/person/year 820 kg/person/year

Miner Depreciation Miner Launch Cost Amortization Income Tax Rate Straight Line, 20 years Straight Line, 20 years 36%

Yearly Required Revenue Per Miner (Habitat+Labor+Profit+Taxes+Depreciation)

$$R = aH + aL + \left[\frac{L_m + M}{pvf} - D\right]$$
$$+ \frac{1}{1 - \left[\frac{L_m + M}{pvf} - D\right] + D$$

 $H=habitat \ cost/person /yr, \ L=salary+fringe/person/yr, \ L_m=miner \ launch \ cost, \ M=miner \ initial \ cost, \ D=Yearly \ depreciation=(L_m+M)/n, \ n=miner \ life, = income \ tax \ rate, \ pvf=present \ value \ factor, \ a=Number \ of \ astronauts$ 

H.E. Thompson

### **Cost of Helium-3 (Including the Cost of Capital)**



Cost of Electricity Produced by Coal, D<sup>3</sup>He Fusion and Fission



### Sensitivity of Price of <sup>3</sup>He/g to Cost Elements

(15% Cost of Capital)

Launch Cost	/ <b>kg</b> Price of <sup>3</sup> He/g	
\$1000	\$523	
\$1500	<b>\$728</b>	
\$2000	<i>\$933</i>	
Ĩ	Number of Astronauts	Price of <sup>3</sup> He/g
	3	\$523
	6	\$568

### The Role of By-Products from <sup>3</sup>He Mining

18,200kg Volatile By-Products/kg <sup>3</sup>He ✓ 600,600kg of By-Products per miner per year Assume Government Uses 30% of the By-Products Launch Costs Saved per miner per year = \$180,180,000 Yearly Savings Year **Miners** \$ 180,000,000 2015 1 2020 10 \$ 1,180,000,000 \$10,270,260,000 57 2025



### Conclusions

- If the Government Funds all Additional Lunar Mining R&D
  - An adequate profit incentive for a Lunar Mining Company exists
  - The selling price to utilities will be between \$500/gram and \$800/gram
  - Electricity cost from <sup>3</sup>He fusion power plants will be competitive with coal and fission
  - The government will recover its R&D expenditures by 2020
  - The government will earn a substantial return
    ( 20%) on its investment

## Private Only

R&D Component of Cost of <sup>3</sup>He (\$/g) If Lunar Mining Company Bears All R&D Funding



## **Private Only**

Volatile Sales Needed to Offset Additional Space R&D

Price as a 0.9 **Fraction of** 0.8 Launch 0.7 Costs 0.6 \$9600/g <sup>3</sup>He 0.5 (20% Cost of Capital) 0.4 0.3 \$3000/g <sup>3</sup>He 0.2 (15% Cost of Capital) 0.1 0 -.1 .2 .5 .3 .4 .6 .7

**Fraction of Volatiles Sold to Bases** 

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Can the funds be raised for financing of the Lunar Mining Co., Inc.?

- The key element is financing R&D
  - Funding amounts are large but manageable
  - Substantial risk for private investors
    - + 20 years of cash outlays beforea cash inflow
    - By-product sales needed to make <sup>3</sup>He competitive
    - Uncertainty of market for the by-products
- Government risks are minor in government-private undertaking

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