

# **Raising Your Commercial IQ**

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## **102 Real Estate Investment Analysis**

### **In-house Training Program Instructor Guide, Agenda and Timetable**

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## 102. INSTRUCTOR GUIDE

### Class hours

Allow approximately 16 hours of class time. For example, four, four-hour sessions meeting once per week.

### Content choices

In some cases, you may not want to present all the course material. For example, if the class consists of residential realtors or rookie commercial interested in learning more about commercial real estate, some topics may be too advanced. If this is the case, skip the topic.

### Teaching process

The teaching process consists of alternating between playing the:

1. micro videos
2. flashcards, answering the flashcard questions, and class discussions

by following the “Agenda Time Table” below.

The micro videos provide an introduction to the topic. The flash cards actively involve the student in the learning process and reinforce the material presented in the micro videos.

Flash cards

A great way to learn the basics. The Participant Guide contains:

1. Question
2. Space for the participant to write the answer
3. The answer is on the flip side of the flashcard.

Teaching using flashcards.

Allow the participants time to complete the flashcard questions and then:

Review each flashcard question and answer and encourage questions and discussions. Enliven with your own experience and local examples.

This approach provides the opportunity for active class involvement.

1. Questions, answers, and lively in-depth discussions
2. Provides the instructor with an opportunity to provide local examples and personal experiences.

Example.

Soil conditions can impact the development costs and lower the landlord. Explain the various types of soil and how the soil impacts the land value.

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

### Learning objectives.

The overall objective of the video is to provide an understanding of how to carry out in-depth real estate analysis investment and lease analysis, and how to apply investment analysis techniques to different types of properties or types of real estate decisions. **How to use investment analysis to create deals.**

### Topics

1. The significant weaknesses in using Cap Rates to make real estate investment decisions compared to the discounted cash flow approach. Examples illustrating the weakness of the Cap Rate approach to establishing value
2. Time value of money concepts. The Internal Rate of Return (IRR) and Net Present Value financial measures
3. Steps involved in carrying out long term real estate investment analysis and discounted cash flow analysis
4. Real estate analysis. Tips and tricks
5. The importance of financial leverage and accumulated wealth
6. Real estate taxation
7. Properties that are hard to sell because of taxes
8. Seller financing. Tax issues
9. Sale. Impact of mortgage restrictions
10. How to use real estate analysis techniques to help list, sell or lease a property during challenging times

The knowledge and skills developed will improve your ability to value, list, sell or lease income properties and use investment analysis techniques to put deals together, make you money and help your client make wise financial decisions.

### Skills and benefits obtained from the Video

How to:

1. carry out and apply in-depth real estate analysis to different types of income properties
2. determine the value of an income property using the discounted cash flow analysis approach
3. assess risk

4. develop presentation packages and executive summaries
5. financially structure a real estate transaction using creative financing
6. perform lease comparison analysis from a landlord or tenant perspective
7. evaluate Buy versus Lease opportunities and Hold versus sell decisions

The knowledge and skills developed will improve your ability to value, list, sell or lease income properties and how to use investment analysis techniques to put deals together and make you money.

## AGENDA TIME TABLE

### REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT & DISCOUNTED CASH FLOW ANALYSIS

Line number	Play Micro Video	Manual Page Number	Play Flash Card Set	Participant Package Page number
1	Apparent versus True Cap Rate (2 min)	4		
2	Factors the effect Cap Rates (5 min)	4		
4	Introduction to Discounted Cash Flow Analysis (7 min)	7		
5	The Internal Rate of Return (IRR) (5 min)	10		
6	Financial Calculators (2 min)	13		
7	The Net Present Value (NPV) (6 min)	13		
8	The Modified Internal Rate of Return (MIRR) (2min)	15		
9			Cap Rate. Issues	7
10			Intro. Investment analysis	10
11			IRR, NPV & MIRR Intro	13
12	The Building Blocks of Investment Analysis (5 min)	16		
13	Investment Analysis. Case study (47 min)	17		
14	Review. Building blocks of Investment Analysis (2 min)	33		
15	Cap Rate versus IRR (19 min)	39		
16	Timing and Sign convention (10 min)			
17	What does "Return" mean? (3 min)	46		
18			Cash Flow and Investment Analysis	22
19			Financial leverage	33
20			Risk analysis	37

<b>Line number</b>	<b>Play Micro Video</b>	<b>Manual Page Number</b>	<b>Play Flash Card Set</b>	<b>Participant Package Page number</b>
21	Real estate analysis. Tips and tricks (28 min)	55		
22	The importance of Financial Leverage and Accumulated Wealth (22 min)	56		
23	Real estate investment analysis. Summary (6 min)			

#### SELLING A PROPERTY. & POTENTIAL CHALLENGES

<b>Line number</b>	<b>Play Micro Video</b>	<b>Manual Page Number</b>	<b>Play Flash Card Set</b>	<b>Participant Package Page number</b>
24	Real estate taxation (21 min)	47		
25	Properties that are hard to sell because of taxes (4 min)	53		
26	Seller financing. Tax issues (1 min)	53		
27	Sale. Impact of mortgage restrictions (4 min)	54		
28			Real Estate Taxation	43

## **PRACTICE QUIZ and 102 COURSE EXAM**

Suggest the participants take the **102 Practice Quiz** to test their knowledge and measure their progress.

They can take the test many times, and the grade will be recorded and can be reviewed

The quiz results are confidential and cannot be viewed by anyone else.

### **102. Course Exam.**

Encourage the students to take the 102 course exam which is set up by a manager or office administrator.



## FLASH CARDS. QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

### Cap Rates. Issues

#### Q1.

The Cap Rate takes into account the "Time Value of Money"  
True or False?

#### *Your answer*

False.

The Cap Rate is calculated using the:

Net Operating Income and Sale Price

and does not take into account the time value of money

#### Q2.

The "Internal Rate of Return (IRR)" takes into account the time value of money.

True or False?

#### *Your answer*

True.

In calculating the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) the fact that \$1 dollar today is worth more than \$1 in the future is taken into account.

The process is called "Discounted Cash Flow Analysis (DCF)"

#### Q3

The calculation of the Cap Rate assumes:

- a) the property is never sold and
- b) the Net Operating Income (NOI) is constant and goes on forever.

True or False?

#### *Your answer*

**True. The formula for the Cap Rate is:**

$$\text{Cap Rate} = \frac{\text{Net Operating Income (NOI)}}{\text{Sale Price}} \times 100$$

**The Net Operating Income (NOI) is assumed to be constant and goes on forever and the property is not sold at some later date**

**Q4.**

Think of an example of when the Cap Rate approach to determining the value would not yield a good estimate of the value because of the way the cash flows change over time.

Flip to see an example

**Your answer**

Would the Cap Rate approach be a good way to value these two investment?

No. because the yearly cash flows are changing over time.

Instead use "Discounted Cash Flow Analysis" and the Internal Rate of Return (IRR)

**Q5**

Is the Cap Rate calculated using the:

Net Operating Income (NOI) and Sale Price  
always correct?

**Your answer**

No. If the buyer deducted \$450,000 from the purchase price to replace the roof, and this was not known, then the calculated Cap Rate is incorrect. We call this "Apparent Cap Rate".

The "True Cap Rate" would reflect the \$450,000 adjustment to the purchase price for replacing the roof.

**Q6**

Purchase Price: \$3,000,000

Net Operating Income (NOI): \$195,000

The Buyer deducted \$450,000 for urgent major repairs to the roof and the boiler.

Calculate the "Apparent Cap Rate" and the "True Cap Rate"

**Your answer**

$$\text{Apparent Cap Rate} = \frac{\$195,000 \times 100}{\$3,000,000} = 6.50\%$$

$$\text{True Cap Rate} = \frac{\$195,000 \times 100}{\$3,000,000 + 450,000} = 5.65\%$$

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**Q7**

The "Apparent Cap Rate" ignores the hidden factors that may have influenced the price such as the buyer discovering that \$350,000 has to be spent immediately on replacing the roof and major repairs to the HVAC system.

True or False?

**Your answer**

True

The "Apparent Cap Rate" uses the known purchase price and does not take into account factors that have influenced the purchase price such as the buyer discovering that \$350,000 has to be spent on replacing the roof and major repairs to the HVAC system

The "True Cap Rate" would take into account the \$350,000 that was deducted from the purchase price to cover the urgent major repairs.

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**Q8**

If the Sale Price was \$1,650,000 and the Net Operating Income \$124,000 and the buyer deducted \$300,000 for urgent major repairs.

Calculate the True Cap Rate.

**Your answer**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{True Cap Rate} &= \frac{\$124,000 \times 100}{\$1,650,000 + 300,000} \\ &= 6.36\% \end{aligned}$$

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**Q9**

If the Cap Rate is calculated using the "Sale Price" and next years "Net Operating Income (NOI)" which one of the following statements is most correct?

- a) The calculation of the Cap Rate is always correct
- b) The calculation of the Cap Rate is incorrect because the future value of the property has not been included
- c) Using the Sale Price and the Net Operating Income (NOI) can result in an incorrect Cap Rate because of factors that you may not be aware of such as the cost of urgent major repairs that may have influenced the purchase price

**Your answer**

Answer c)

Using the Sale Price and the Net Operating Income (NOI) can result in an incorrect Cap Rate because of factors that you may not be aware of such as the cost of urgent major repairs that have influenced the purchase price

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## Introduction to Investment Analysis

### Q1.

Which would you rather have?

1) \$1,000,000 today or

2) \$1,000,000 in 10 years' time?

#### **Your answer**

\$1,000,000 today because you can invest the \$1,000,000 and earn interest for the next 10 years. In choosing the \$1,000,000 today you intuitively carried out "Discounted Cash Flow Analysis" and recognized the "Time Value of Money"

This is called Discounted Cash Flow (DCF) analysis and is used to carry out real estate investment analysis.

### Q2.

You are going to loan me \$10,000 and I'm offering the following two repayment plans. The annual payment is paid at the end of the year.

Which would you prefer as a lender Plan A or Plan B?

From your perspective as a lender which is the more risky option Plan A or Plan ?

<u>Year</u>	<u>Plan A</u>	<u>Plan B</u>
0	\$<10,000>	\$<10,000>
1	4,000	6,000
2	5,000	5,000
3	<u>6,000</u>	<u>4,000</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,000</b>	<b>\$ 15,000</b>
<b>Return (IRR)</b>	<b>_____%</b>	<b>_____%</b>

#### **Your answer**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Plan A</u>	<u>Plan B</u>
0	\$<10,000>	\$<10,000>
1	4,000	6,000
2	5,000	5,000
3	<u>6,000</u>	<u>4,000</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,000</b>	<b>\$ 15,000</b>
<b>Return (IRR)</b>	<b><u>21.65%</u> ❌</b>	<b><u>25.35%</u> ✅</b>

Plan B provides the highest return which is 25.35% compared to the Plan A return of 21.65%

If you chose Plan B you intuitively applied "Discounted Cash Flow Analysis" and took into account the "Time Value of Money"

Always balance “Risk” and Reward” Which is less risky Plan A or Plan B?

Plan B because you receive the money back faster.  
Sooner is better than later.

### Q3

What is the Internal Rate of Return (IRR)?

How do you calculate the Internal Rate of Return?

#### Your answer

The Net Cash Flow report shows the cash flow from the time the property is acquired until it is sold allowing us to calculate the Internal Rate of Return (IRR)

Year	Investment	Financing		Operating Cash Flow (Before Tax)	Sale Proceeds (Before Tax)	Net Cash Flow (Before Tax)
		Borrow	Paid Back			
Year 1 Jan-Year 1 Dec	\$ (2,600,000)	\$ 1,700,000	-	\$ 34,891	-	\$ (865,109)
Year 2 Jan-Year 2 Dec	-	-	-	66,844	-	66,844
Year 3 Jan-Year 3 Dec	(300,000)	-	-	71,631	-	(228,369)
Year 4 Jan-Year 4 Dec	Replacement of roof	-	-	71,982	-	71,982
Year 5 Jan-Year 5 Dec	-	-	(1,556,958)	72,420	2,860,650	1,376,112
					Total	\$ 421,461

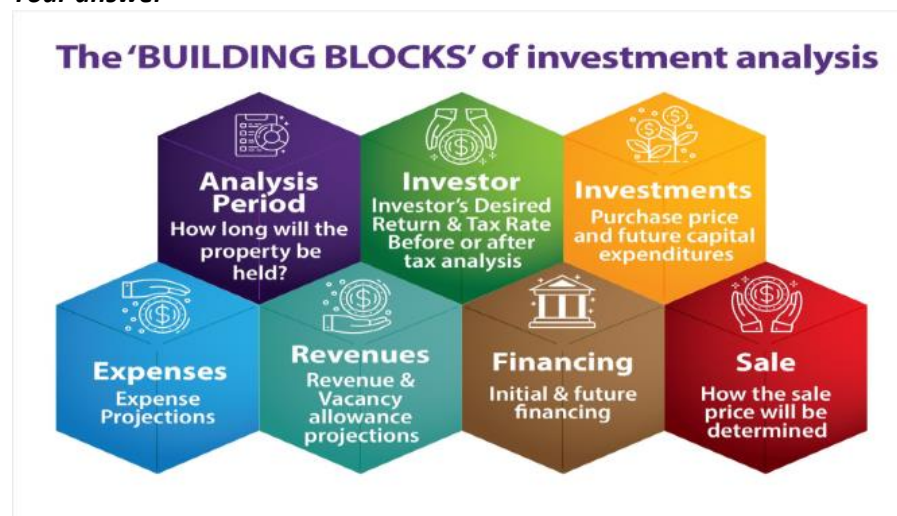
Financial Returns (Before Tax) with Financing	
Internal Rate of Return (IRR)	7.52%
Net Present Value (NPV) at 13.00%	(\$ 211,027)
Modified Internal Rate of Return (MIRR)	7.29%

Need to drop the price by \$211,027 in order to get a 13% Return (IRR) before tax.

### Q4.

What are the steps involved in carrying out real estate investment analysis?

#### Your answer



### Q5

How to developing the Net Cash flows and Internal Rate of Return (IRR).

Example on the flip side.

#### Your answer

You have a choice to invest in either Property A and B. Each property will generate the following net cash flows. Which one would provide you with the best overall financial return?

Property A because the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) is 11.62% compared to 10.88% for Property B

Net Cash Flow		
Year	Property A	Property B
0	\$<1,000,000>	\$<1,200,000> ← (Purchase Price - Mortgage = Equity)
1.	81,000	58,000 ← (Net Operating Income - Debt Service)
2.	83,000	60,000 (= Cash Flow before Tax)
3.	84,000	61,000
4.	87,000	67,000
5.	87,000	68,000
6.	89,000	69,000
7.	<10,000>	70,000
8.	90,000	112,000
9.	92,000	115,000
10.	93,000	117,000
11.	96,000	119,000
12	1,950,000	2,500,000 ← (Cash Flow Yr.12 + Sale Proceeds)
Return (IRR)	<u>11.62 %</u> ✓	<u>10.88 %</u> Internal Rate of Return (IRR)

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**IRR, NPV & MIRR Introduction****Q1.**

The IRR, NPV, MIRR, DCF and NCF are abbreviations for?

**Your answer**

IRR = Internal Rate of Return

NPV = Net Present Value

MIRR = Modified Internal Rate of Return

DCF = Discounted cash flow

NCF = Net Cash Flow

**Q2.**

Which investment option would you rather have and which option is less risky?

- a) \$300,000 today
- b) \$300,000 in five years time

**Your answer**

Answer

Option a) because the \$300,000 received today can be reinvested and will be worth more the \$300,000 in five years time

Option a) is also the less risky option.

Investment choices involve taking into account the "Time Value of Money" and the investment risk.

**Q3**

Which of the following are true?

Discounted cash flow analysis considers the:

- 1) Time value of money
- 2) The impact of financial leverage
- 3) Changing revenues and expenses over time
- 4) Uses the IRR and NPV
- 5) The sale at the end of the Analysis Period
- 6) The above items are ignored when using the Cap Rate

**Your answer**

Answer. All these statements are true.

Discounted cash flow takes into account:

- 1) Time value of money



- 2) The impact of financial leverage
- 3) Considers changing revenues and expenses over time
- 4) Calculates the IRR and NPV
- 5) Sale at the end of the Analysis Period
- 6) The Cap Rate approach ignores all of the above and uses the Net Operating Income (NOI) and the Cap Rate to value the property

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**Q4.**

In carrying out long term real estate investment or discounted cash flow analysis the "Analysis Period" refers to:

**Your answer**

The time period in years used to carryout the investment analysis.

It is the time in years from when the investment is acquired until it is sold which is called the "Analysis Period" or the "Holding Period"

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**Q5**

What is the generally recommended analysis period for:

a) Rental apartment buildings

b) Commercial buildings

**Your answer**

a) Rental apartment buildings

Five years but maybe 10 years

b) Commercial buildings.

Because of the lease renewals it is probably wise to use an "Analysis Period" of 10 years or more in order to reflect the impact of lease renewals and tenants moving out and the costs associated with re-leasing space

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**Q6**

The Cap Rate and Internal Rate of Return (IRR) create the same estimate of value because they are both a 'Return on Investment'

True or False?

**Your answer**

False. The Cap Rate and the IRR likely result in different estimates of value.

The Cap Rate is a very simple measure using the Net Operating Income (NOI) and the Cap Rate to establish the value.

The Internal Rate of Return (IRR) is a more comprehensive approach that considers the "Time Value of Money", changing cash flows, the impact of financial leverage and the eventual sale of the property

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**Q7**

The Cap Rate approach is the best method for valuing an investment that has the following lease arrangement over the next 16 years.

Yr 1.	\$21 psf. per Yr.
Yrs 2- 6	\$23 psf. per Yr.
Yrs 7-11	\$26 psf. per Yr.
Yrs 12 -16	\$29 psf. per Yr.

TRUE or FALSE?

**Your answer**

**Would the Cap Rate approach be a good way to value this investment?**

**Property A**

<b>\$20</b>	<b>\$23</b>	<b>\$26</b>	<b>\$29</b>
<b>1 Yr</b>	<b>5 Yrs</b>	<b>5 Yrs</b>	<b>5 Yrs</b>

**NO. Because of the changing cash flows the best way to value this property is to use discounted cash flow analysis and use the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) and the Net Present Value (NPV) to establish the value**

**Q8**

Can you use a standard mortgage calculator to calculate the return on investment (the interest rate) for this cash flow?

Year 0.	<\$600,000>
Year 1.	200,000
Year 2.	250,000
Year 3.	310,000

**Your answer**

No. You can't use a standard mortgage calculator to calculate the return on investment (interest rate) for an uneven cash flow.

Instead you have to calculate the Internal Rate of Return (IRR)

Year 0.	<\$600,000>
Year 1.	200,000
Year 2	300,000
Year 2	400,000

Internal Rate of Return (IRR): 11.87%

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**Q9**

Which statement is correct?

- a) If the Net Present Value (NPV) is positive the return is greater than the investment's discount rate or desired return
- b) If the Net Present Value (NPV) is negative the return is greater than the investor's discount rate or desired return

**Your answer**

a) If the Net Present Value (NPV) is positive the return is greater than the Investor's discount rate or desired return

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**Q10**

If the Net Present Value (NPV) at the Investor's discount rate or desired return is negative the return on investment (IRR) is:

- a) greater than
  - b) less than
- the Investor's desired return or discount rate.

**Your answer**

Correct answer is b)

If the Net Present Value (NPV) at the Investor's discount rate or desired return is negative the return on investment (IRR) is less than the Investor's desired return or discount rate.

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**Q11**

Which statement is correct?

The Investor's discount rate or desired return is used to calculate the:

- a) Cap Rate
- b) Internal Rate of Return (IRR)
- c) Net Present Value (NPV)
- d) Cash on Cash or Return on Equity
- e) None of these

**Your answer**

c) The Investor's discount rate or desired return is used to calculate the Net Present Value (NPV)

Example

Net Present Value (NPV) at 13% is \$235,000

Note. When quoting the NPV you always need to state the discount rate being used to calculate the NPV

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**Q12**

When carrying out real estate investment analysis you look at the financial "Reward" such as the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) and the Net Present Value (NPV) PLUS.....?

**Your answer**

the RISK.

Always balance the Risk and the REWARD.

The higher the risk the higher the desired return on investment (IRR)

**Q13**

If the investor's discount rate or desired return is 11% and the Net Present Value (NPV) is \$<329,000> how much does the purchase price have to be reduced to get a return of 11%?

**Your answer**

The price has to be reduced by \$329,000

The Internal Rate of Return (IRR) will then be 11% which is the investor's desired return.

**Q14**

Which items are not included when calculating the yearly cash flows from an investment in an income property?

- a. Potential Gross Income
- b. Vacancy Loss
- c. Operating Expenses
- d. Principal Payments
- e. Interest Payments
- f. Future Sale Price
- g. Cap Rate
- h. Major capital expenditures

**Your answer**

The following are not used in calculating the yearly cash flows  
f) Future Sale Price g) the Cap Rate and Capital Expenditures

The calculation of the yearly cash flows. Example

Potential Gross income	\$320,000
Less Vacancy & Credit loss	<u>12,800 (4.00%)</u>
Effective Gross Income	307,200
Less Operating Expenses	<u>107,000</u>
Net Operating Expenses (NOI)	200,200
Less Principal & Interest	<u>125,700</u>
Cash Flow before tax	74,500

**Q15**

Which of the following financial measures does not take into account the "Time Value of Money"?

- a) Debt Service Ratio
- b) Cap Rate
- c) Internal Rate of Return (IRR)
- d) Return on Equity (Cash on Cash)
- e) Net Present Value (NPV)
- f) Modified Internal Rate of Return (MIRR)

**Your answer**

The following calculations do not involve the "Time Value of Money"

- a) Debt Service Ratio
- b) Cap Rate
- d) Return on Equity (Cash on Cash)

These calculations use the "Time Value of Money"

- c) Internal Rate of Return (IRR)
  - e) Net Present Value (NPV)
  - f) Modified Internal Rate of Return (MIRR)
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**Q16**

If the Investor's "discount rate" or "desired return on investment" is 13% and the Net Present Value (NPV) of a potential investment is \$283,000 what does this tell you?

**Your answer**

- 1) The return is higher than 13%
  - 2) If the investor paid \$283,000 more for the property they would get a 13% return (IRR)
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**Q17**

What does the term "Capital Expenditure" mean?

**Your answer**

A capital expenditure is a major, one off expenditure such as replacing the roof or a major upgrade to the building or the interior and generally depreciated for tax purposes.

Capital expenditures are not treated as an operating expense because they provide benefits greater than one year.

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**Q18**

What does the "Re-investment assumption" refer to when calculating the Internal Rate of Return (IRR)?

**Your answer**

The re-investment assumption refers to how positive and negative (losses) cash flows are re-invested. If the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) is 14% the re-investment assumption used when calculating the IRR assumes that positive cash flows are re-invested at 14% and cost of funds borrowed to cover losses is 14%.

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**Q19**

If you received the following cash flow and calculated the Interest Rate the answer is 9.70%

Yr

0 <400,000

1 160,000

2.160,000

3.160,000

What is the Internal Rate of Return (IRR)?

**Your answer**

The Internal Rate of Return (IRR) is also 9.70%. For an even cash flow the interest rate and the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) are the same.

For uneven cash flows you have to calculate the IRR and can't use a standard mortgage calculator.

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**Q20**

Can you calculate the return on investment or interest rate for the following investment using a standard mortgage calculator

Year

- 0 <730,000>
- 1 350,000
- 2 400,000
- 3 150,000...This is an uneven cash flow

**Your answer**

Answer is no.

You cannot use a standard mortgage calculator to calculate the interest rate or return on investment for an uneven cash flow.

You have to use a financial calculator or computer program that calculates the Internal Rate of Return (IRR)

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**Q21**

Which statement is correct?

- a) If the Net Present Value (NPV) is positive the return is greater than the investment's discount rate or desired return
- b) If the Net Present Value (NPV) is negative the return is greater than the investor's discount rate or desired return

**Your answer**

Answer a)

If the Net Present Value (NPV) is positive the return is greater than the Investor's discount rate or desired return.

If the NPV is negative the return is less than the Investor's discount rate or desired return on investment

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**Q22**

The Investor's discount rate is used to calculate the:

- a) Cap Rate
- b) Internal Rate of Return (IRR)
- c) Net Present Value (NPV)
- d) Cash on Cash or Return on Equity
- e) None of these

**Your answer**

c) The Net Present Value (NPV)

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**Q23**

Which one of the following might be a good reference point in deciding on the "Discount Rate" or "Desired Return" when calculating the Net Present Value (NPV)?

- a) A conservative second mortgage rate for the same kind of property
- b) The Cap Rate from comparable properties
- c) Government bond rate
- d) The average return for a large REIT (Real Estate Investment Trust)

**Your answer**

We like to use a discount rate that:

- a) Uses published data
- b) Where the investments have similar risks and characteristics.
- c) Where the investments have similar risks and characteristics.

A good choice is....

- a) A conservative second mortgage rate for the same kind of property
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**Q24**

The analysis of an investment property shows the following results:

Financial Returns (Before tax) with financing

Internal Rate of Return (IRR): 7.95%

Net Present Value (NPV) at 11%: \$<319,118>

- a) How much does the price have to be reduced to get the desired return of 11%?
- b) If the price is reduced by this amount what is the IRR and the Net Present Value at 11%?

**Your answer**

Answers

- a) The price has to be reduced by \$319,118 to get the desired return of 11%
  - b) If the price is reduced by \$319,118 the IRR will be 11% and the NPV will be zero
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**Q25**

The reinvestment assumption used when calculating the Internal Rate of Return (IRR)

- a) Can cause the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) to be overstated

- b) Has no impact on the Internal Rate of Return (IRR)

**Your answer**

Answer is a)

If the Internal Rate of Return on an investment is 17% the reinvestment assumptions assumes that positive cash flows will be reinvested at 17%.

Investing the positive cash flows on a short term basis at 17% is highly unlikely.

This means that the IRR will overstate the true return which will be less than the IRR of 17%

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**Q26**

If the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) is 16.17% when calculating the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) losses are borrowed at:

- a) 0%
- b) The interest rate used for the first mortgage
- c) 16.17%
- d) 15%

**Your answer**

Answer is c) 16.17%

When calculating the IRR the reinvestment assumption assumes losses are borrowed at the IRR which in this case is 16.17%

While this is not realistic it's the way the calculation of the IRR works

There is another measure called the Modified Internal Rate of Return (MIRR) which utilizes a short term reinvestment and borrowing rate but is not widely used compared to the IRR.

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**Q27**

The Cap Rate and the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) are similar measures and therefore can be compared. True or False?

**Your answer**

FALSE. The Cap Rate and Internal Rate of Return (IRR) are very different financial measures or returns on investment

The Cap rate is a very simple measure using the Net Operating Income, ignoring changing cash flows over time, the impact of financing and the eventual sale of the property.

The IRR takes these factors into account.

Generally the IRR is higher than the Cap Rate.

As an example, why would you invest at a Cap Rate of 4% and finance at 6%?

One reason is capital appreciation which is ignored when calculating the Cap Rate but taken into account when calculating the IRR.

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**Q28**

The Internal Rate of Return (IRR) is generally "Higher" or "Lower" than the Cap Rate?

**Your answer**

Under normal circumstances the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) is higher than the Cap Rate.

As an example, if the Cap Rate is around 7% to 8% the IRR will be around 12% to 14% for typical income properties.



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**Q29**

The results of an investment analysis of an office building are:

Internal Rate of Return (IRR): 8.27%

Net Present Value (NPV) at 13%: \$<680,000>

If the purchase price is reduced by \$680,000 the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) will change from 8.27% to ...?% and the Net Present Value (NPV) will be \$...?

***Your answer***

Dropping the purchase price by \$680,000 will result in an Internal Rate of Return (IRR) changing from 8.27% to 13.00%.

The Net Present Value at 13% will change from \$<680,000> to \$0

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**Q30**

Under what conditions does the Cap Rate come close to being equal to the Internal Rate of Return (IRR)?

***Your answer***

Under the following conditions:

- 1) The Net Operating Income (NOI) is constant for many years such as 50 years or more
  - 2) The property is never sold
  - 3) There is no financing or financing is removed from the calculation of the yearly cash flows
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**END OF SET**

## Cash Flow & Investment Analysis

### Q1.

What are the components of the

"Operating Cash Flow (Before tax)"?

*Your answer*

Operating Cash Flow (Before Tax)			
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
<b>Potential Gross Income</b>	<b>499,200</b>	<b>516,780</b>	<b>535,099</b>
Less: Vacancy & Credit Loss Allow.	11,556	11,966	12,394
<b>Effective Gross Income</b>	<b>487,644</b>	<b>504,814</b>	<b>522,705</b>
Operating Expenses	226,482	235,826	245,569
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>261,162</b>	<b>268,988</b>	<b>277,136</b>
Less: Principal Payments	41,238	43,348	45,566
Interest payments	99,063	96,954	94,736
<b>CASH FLOW BEFORE TAX</b>	<b>120,861</b>	<b>128,686</b>	<b>136,834</b>

### Q2.

How is the after tax cash flow calculated?

*Your answer*

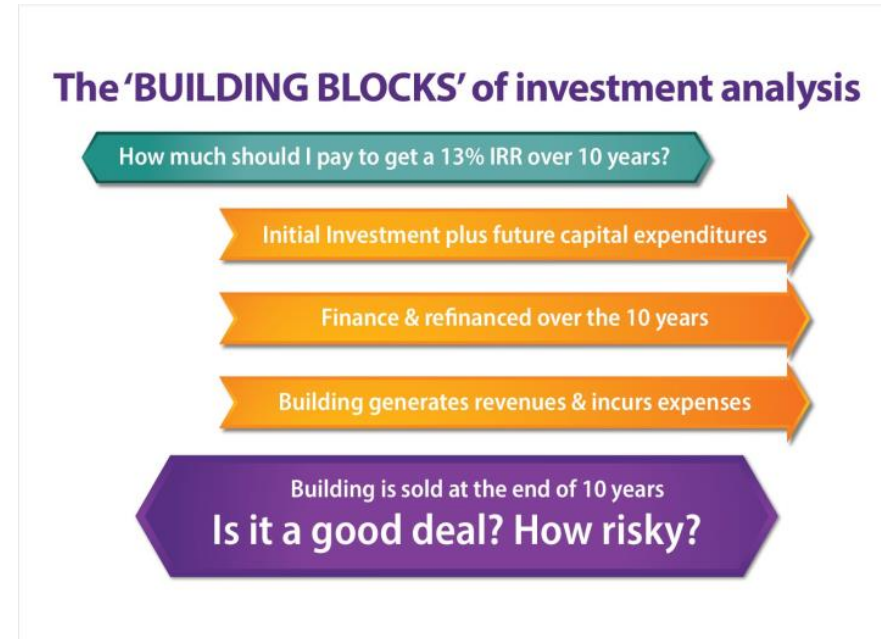
<b>CASH FLOW BEFORE TAX</b>	<b>120,861</b>	<b>128,686</b>	<b>136,834</b>
Less: Income Tax at 35.00%	24,699	26,803	30,431
<b>CASH FLOW AFTER TAX</b>	<b>96,161</b>	<b>101,883</b>	<b>106,404</b>
<b>INCOME TAX CALCULATIONS</b>			
Net Operating Income	261,162	268,988	277,136
Less: Interest Payments	99,063	96,954	94,736
Depreciation & Amortization	91,529	95,455	95,455
<b>Taxable Income</b>	<b>70,570</b>	<b>76,579</b>	<b>86,945</b>
<b>Income Tax at 35.00%</b>	<b>24,699</b>	<b>26,803</b>	<b>30,431</b>

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**Q3**

Investment analysis can be broken down into basic steps or building blocks. The "Building Blocks of Investment Analysis" are shown on the flip side

**Your answer**



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**Q4.**

A good starting point when carrying out investment analysis is to decide on the questions you want answered.

Examples are shown on the flip side

**Your answer**

How much to pay for the property to get the investor's desired return of say 13% before tax?

2. Is there potential for increasing the financing now or in the future?

3. How risky is the investment?

TIP. Before starting the analysis think carefully as to what questions you want to answer.

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**Q5**

On the flip side is a summary of the steps involved in carrying out long term real estate investment analysis.

Also called "Discounted Cash Flow Analysis"

**Your answer**



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**Q6**

Capital Investment and capital expenditures refers to?

**Your answer**

The purchase price of the property is referred to as the "Capital Investment"

"Capital Expenditures" also refer to major future expenditures such as replacing the roof for \$359,000 in 3 years or upgrading the interior.

**Q7**

What are "Operating Expenses"?

Operating Expenses are regularly recurring expenses involved in maintaining and running the building.

For examples of "Operating Expenses" see the flip side

**Your answer**

<b>Operating Expenses</b>	
Accounting and Legal	2,000
Advertising	2,500
Licenses and Permits	2,100
Insurance	9,000
Prop. Management	31,492
Salary, Res. Caretaker	21,000
Property Taxes	21,000
Maintenance & Repair:	16,590
Elevator Service	4,800
Utilities	27,650
Supplies	2,400
Garbage Collection	4,740
Other Expenses	28,440
<b>Operating Expenses</b>	<b>173,712</b>

**Q8**

What are "Non Recurring Expenses"?

Non Recurring Expenses are smaller "one off" expenditures that are being treated as an expense rather than as a capital expenditure such as a leasing agent's fee for leasing the space or painting a portion of the exterior of the building.

Non recurring expenses should not be included in calculating the Net Operating Income (NOI) when using a Cap rate to determine the value of an income property.

See the flip side for examples.

**Your answer**

Example. Non recurring expenses.	
Leasing fee of \$30,000 is included in the Net Operating Income (NOI)	
Cap Rate 7.00%	
Drop in value = $\frac{\text{Decrease in the NOI}}{\text{Cap Rate}} = \frac{\$30,000}{7.00\%} = \$428,571$	
Including the non-recurring leasing fee in the Net Operating Income drops the value of the property by \$428,571 which is incorrect.	
<b>ALWAYS EXCLUDE NON RECURRING EXPENSES FROM THE CALCULATION OF THE NET OPEATING INCOME (NOI WHEN USING THE CAP RATE TO DETERMINE THE VALUE</b>	

**Q9**

Non recurring expenses such as a leasing fee should never be included in the Net Operating Income (NOI) when using a Cap Rate to establish the value.

How do you show non-recurring expenses in an Income & Expense Statement?

*Your answer*

<b>Income</b>	
Rental Income	60,000
Additional Rent (TIM's)	34,250
Parking	9,000
<b>Potential Gross Income</b>	<b>103,250</b>
Less: Vacancy and Credit Loss (3.00%)	3,098
<b>Effective Gross Income.</b>	<b>100,153</b>
<b>Operating Expenses.</b>	
Operating Expenses.	24,000
Property Management	5,008
<b>Operating Expenses</b>	<b>29,008</b>
<b>Net Operating Income (NOI)</b>	<b>70,750</b>
<b>Less: Expenses not included in NOI</b>	
Leasing Fee	35,000
Lobby. Minor upgrade	8,000
	<b>43,000</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>27,750</b>

The leasing fee and the minor upgrade to the lobby are non recurring expenses and are excluded from the calculation of the Net Operating Income (NOI) when using a Cap Rate to determine the value.

**Q10.**

What's the difference between:

- 1) Capital investment
- 2) Capital Expenditure or Capital Improvements
- 3) Expense
- 4) Non recurring expense

**Your answer**

A "Capital Investment" and a "Capital Expenditures or Improvements" are essentially the same. They both involve large "one off" investments that provide benefits over many years.

Expenses occur every year on a regular basis such as building maintenance, utilities etc.

Non recurring expense are "one off" expenses such as a leasing fee.

**Q11.**

How do you calculate the "Cash Flow from Sale" before and after tax?

**Your answer**

<b>Cash Flow from Sale (Before Tax)</b>			
Sale Price		\$	3,790,696
Less: Real Estate Commission			189,535
Selling Expenses			75,814
Legal			6,000
Net Sale Price			<u>3,519,347</u>
Less: Mortgage Repayment			1,354,178
<b>Cash Flow from Sale (Before Tax)</b>			<u><b>2,165,169</b></u>
<b>Cash Flow from Sale (After Tax)</b>			
Net Sale Price			3,519,347
Less: Capital Gains Tax			
Net Sale Price		3,519,347	
Less Cost Basis		<u>2,730,000</u>	
Capital Gains		<u>789,347</u>	x 15.00%
			<u>118,402</u>
Less: Recaptured Depreciation Tax			
Tax Value of Improvements on Sale		1,830,000	
Less Adjusted Basis		<u>1,364,712</u>	
Recaptured Depreciation		<u>465,288</u>	x 25.00%
			<u>116,322</u>
Net Proceeds (After Tax)			<u>3,284,623</u>
Less: Mortgage Repayment			1,354,178
<b>Cash Flow from Sale (After Tax)</b>			<u><b>1,930,445</b></u>

**Q12.**

What is the best investment analysis report that shows the big picture and the financial results and is easy to understand?

*Your answer*

<b>Net Cash Flow Report</b> (Shows the big picture and the financial results)						
Year	Investment	Financing		Operating Cash Flow	Sale Proceeds	Net Cash Flow
		Borrow	Paid Back	(Before Tax)	(Before Tax)	(Before Tax)
0	\$ (3,590,000)	\$ 2,000,000	-	-	-	\$ (1,590,000)
1	-	-	-	120,861	-	120,861
2	-	-	-	128,686	-	128,686
3	-	-	-	136,834	-	136,834
4	-	-	-	144,857	-	144,857
5	-	-	(1,771,603)	153,611	4,096,617	2,478,625
						Total \$ 1,419,862
<b>Financial Returns (Before Tax) with Financing</b>			<b>Financial Returns (Before Tax) without Financing</b>			
Internal Rate of Return (IRR)			15.29%	Internal Rate of Return (IRR)		9.99%
Net Present Value (NPV) at 11.00%			\$ 289,745	Net Present Value (NPV) at 11.00%		(\$ 140,355)
Modified Internal Rate of Return (MIRR)			13.91%	Modified Internal Rate of Return (MIRR)		9.17%
Short Term Financing Rate (Before Tax)			8.000%	Short Term Financing Rate (Before Tax)		8.000%
Short Term Reinvestment Rate (Before Tax)			3.000%	Short Term Reinvestment Rate (Before Tax)		3.000%

**Q13.**

The "Overall Cash Flow" report is an excellent report for seeing the "big picture" and the financial results all on one easy to understand report.

See example on the flip side

*Your answer*

<b>Overall Cash Flow Report</b>					
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
<b>Potential Gross Income</b>	<b>499,200</b>	<b>516,780</b>	<b>535,099</b>	<b>553,679</b>	<b>573,482</b>
Less: Vacancy & Credit Loss Allow.	11,556	11,966	12,394	12,828	13,290
<b>Effective Gross Income</b>	<b>487,644</b>	<b>504,814</b>	<b>522,705</b>	<b>540,851</b>	<b>560,192</b>
Operating Expenses	226,482	235,826	245,569	255,693	266,279
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>261,162</b>	<b>268,988</b>	<b>277,136</b>	<b>285,158</b>	<b>293,913</b>
Less: Principal Payments	41,238	43,348	45,566	47,897	50,348
Interest payments	99,063	96,954	94,736	92,405	89,954
<b>OPERATING CASH FLOW BEFORE</b>	<b>120,861</b>	<b>128,686</b>	<b>136,834</b>	<b>144,857</b>	<b>153,611</b>
<b>INVESTMENTS &amp; CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT</b>					
Land	(1,000,000)	-	-	-	-
Building	(2,570,000)	-	-	-	-
Mortgage Fees and Points	(20,000)	-	-	-	-
	<b>(3,590,000)</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>FINANCING Borrow(+) Payback(-)</b>					
First Mortgage	2,000,000	-	-	-	(1,771,603)
	<b>2,000,000</b>	-	-	-	<b>(1,771,603)</b>
<b>SALE</b>					
Sale Price	-	-	-	-	4,321,702
Less: Real Estate Commissions	-	-	-	-	216,085
Selling Expenses	-	-	-	-	9,000
Net Sales Proceeds (Before Tax)	-	-	-	-	<b>4,096,617</b>
<b>OVERALL CASH FLOW BEFORE</b>	<b>(1,469,139)</b>	<b>128,686</b>	<b>136,834</b>	<b>144,857</b>	<b>2,478,625</b>
<b>FINANCIAL RETURNS</b>					
<b>Before Tax</b>					
Internal Rate of Return (IRR)	15.29%				
Net Present Value (NPV) at 11.00%	289,745				



**Q14.**

What is 'Extra-ordinary Revenue' or 'Non Recurring Revenue' and how do we treat them in cash flow analysis ?

**Your answer**

"Extra-ordinary Revenue" or "Non Recurring Revenue" are "one off" sources of revenue and need to be excluded from the Net Operating Income (NOI) when using the Cap Rate to establish the value.

Examples could be revenue from short term sign rental for 3 months or other forms of temporary revenue.

**Q15.**

How would you show the following on an Income and Expense Statement?

Temporary sign rental \$17,000 year 1

Leasing fee \$30,000 & Minor building upgrades \$21,000 both in year 2

Capital expenditure. Roof \$450,000 year 3

**Your answer**

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
<b>REVENUE</b>				
Rental Income	185,550	189,000	189,000	189,000
Additional Rent (TM's)	42,000	44,000	46,000	48,500
<b>Potential Gross Income</b>	<b>227,550</b>	<b>233,000</b>	<b>235,000</b>	<b>237,500</b>
Less: Vacancy & Credit Loss Allowance	9,102	9,320	9,400	9,500
<b>Effective Gross Income</b>	<b>218,448</b>	<b>223,680</b>	<b>225,600</b>	<b>228,000</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
Property Taxes	35,000	36,400	37,856	38,992
Insurance	15,000	15,600	16,224	16,873
Maintenance	7,200	7,416	7,644	7,872
Utilities	5,400	5,568	5,724	5,904
Property Management	12,656	14,463	14,845	14,979
	75,256	79,447	82,293	84,620
<b>Net Operating Income</b>	<b>143,192</b>	<b>144,233</b>	<b>143,307</b>	<b>143,380</b>
<b>Income not included in NOI</b>				
Temporary sign rental	17,000	-	-	-
<b>Less: Expense not included in NOI</b>				
Leasing Fee	-	30,000	-	-
Minor building upgrades	-	21,000	-	-
	-	51,000	-	-
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>126,192</b>	<b>144,233</b>	<b>143,307</b>	<b>143,380</b>
<b>Capital expenditure of \$450,000 to replace the roof in year 3 is a capital item and is not shown on the Income &amp; Expense Statement</b>				

**Q16.**

How do you determine the Sale Price at the end of the "Analysis Period" (Also called the "Holding Period")?

**Your answer**

The most common approach is to take the "Net Operating Income (NOI)" for the year following the sale and divide by the Cap Rate.

If the Analysis Period was 10 years you would use the Net Operating Income" in year 11.

**Q17.**

In real estate investment analysis what does the "Analysis Period" or the "Holding Period" refer to?

**Your answer**

The "Analysis Period" refers to the time period in years that the analysis covers.

It is the time from when the property is acquired until it is sold.

**Q18.**

Should the projection of revenues and expenses be done on a yearly or monthly basis?

**Your answer**

Yearly projections are usually fine for rental apartment buildings because the revenues and expenses tend to increase gradually overtime.

For commercial buildings such as office, retail and industrial buildings the revenue and expense projections should be done on a monthly basis in order to reflect rent renewals and changes in rent rates which occur during the year.

**Q19.**

What are the different ways for projecting revenues and expenses?

**Your answer**

These are the common ways for projecting revenues and expenses

- Straight line or constant. E.g. \$25,000 per year for 7 years
- Annual compounding. \$25,000 compounding at 3.00% per Yr. for 10 years
- Uniform annual % increase. \$25,000 per year increasing at a uniform annual rate of 2.50% for 8 years
- Uniform \$ increase. \$25,000 per year increasing at \$1,200 per year for 10 years
- Lease or stepped projection. A lease is constant and then increases on the rent renewal date.

**Lease or Stepped Projection**

**Q20.**

When carrying out investment analysis don't forget to consider...

**Your answer**

Future capital expenditures and major repairs

Potential for future refinancing

For new commercial tenants.

Free rent periods

Cost of tenant improvements (TI's) paid by the landlord Cost of tenant inducements, Leasing and legal fees.

If the tenant is vacating the space how long will it take to lease the space?

**Q21.**

An important aspect of real estate analysis is investigating the impact of financing on the financial return (IRR).

Financing generally increases the return (IRR) but increases the investment risk.

Always check to see if the financing can be increased now or some time in the future and if so, when?

See the impact of financial leverage on the flip side

**Your answer**

**The use of financial leverage increases the return (IRR) but increases the risk**

Financing. Loan to Value Ratio	Internal Rate of Return (IRR)	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	Risk Default Ratio (Breakeven Point)
No financing	8.18%	N/A	29%
50% LTV	10.69%	1.86	60%
75% LTV	13.96%	1.24	86%

Changing from an all cash purchase to a LTV Ratio of 50% changes the IRR from 8.18% to 10.69% which is a 31% increase in the IRR.

Changing from a 50% LTV to 75% changes the IRR from 10.69% 13.96% which is a 31% increase

**RISK** As the financing increase the financial risk increases. The Default Ratio (Break-even Point) has gone for 29% with zero financing to 86% with a 75% Loan to Value Ratio

**Q22.**

When carrying investment analysis always check to see if the financing can be increased now or in the future and if so when?

The goal is to reduce the amount of equity required to buy the property and increase the return (IRR) through financial leverage balanced by risk considerations.

See examples showing how to determine if the financing can be increased on the flip side.

**Your answer**

Question: Can the mortgage be increased now or in the future and if so, when?  
The lending criteria is:  
Loan to Value Ratio. Less than 75%,  
Debt Service or Coverage Ratio 1.25 or higher  
Default Ratio (Breakeven Point). Less than 85%

Year	Lending Criteria (Year 1)			Lending Criteria (Year 6)		
	Loan to Value Ratio	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	Default Ratio (Breakeven) (Using PGI)	Loan to Value Ratio	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	Default Ratio (Breakeven) (Using PGI)
1	71.42%	1.53	73.95%	88.06%	1.13	91.64%
2	69.53%	1.57	72.69%	85.73%	1.16	89.91%
3	67.66%	1.62	71.46%	83.42%	1.19	88.21%
4	65.83%	1.66	70.23%	81.17%	1.22	86.52%
5	58.84%	1.71	69.03%	72.55%	1.25	84.87%
6	57.15%	1.91	63.65%	70.46%	1.40	78.10%

This building has the potential to increase the financing in Year 1 because the:  
LTV is less than 75% at 71.42%  
DSCR is higher than 1.25 at 1.53  
Default Ratio is less than 85.00% at 73.95%

This building has the potential to increase the financing in year 6 because the:  
LTV is less than 75% at 70.46%  
DSCR is higher than 1.25 at 1.40  
Default Ratio is less than 85.00% at 78.10%

**END OF SET**

## Financial Leverage

### Q1.

What are the two financial measures commonly used by lenders to determine mortgage loan amounts.

#### **Your answer**

1) Debt Service or Coverage Ratio (DSCR)

2) Loan to Value Ratio (LTV)

Lender is conservative. They use both ratios and then choose the ratio that provides the lowest loan amount.

Typical figures for a first mortgage

DSCR 1.20 to 1.25

LTV 70% to 75%

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### Q2.

Calculate the Debt Service or Coverage Ratio (DSCR) using the following information:

Net Operating Income (NOI): \$200,000

Debt Service (p+i): \$160,000

Note. Debt Service is the annual mortgage payment of principal and interest

#### **Your answer**

$$\text{Debt Service Ratio (DSR)} = \frac{\text{Net Operating Income (NOI)}}{\text{Debt Service}}$$

Debt Service is the annual mortgage payments of principal & interest

Example: Net Operating Income \$200,000, Debt Service (p+i): \$160,000

$$\text{Debt Service Ratio} = \frac{\$200,000}{\$160,000} = 1.25$$

**Q3**

If the Debt Service or Coverage Ratio (DSCR) is 1.25 and the Loan to Value Ratio (LTV) is 75% determine the loan amount for the following mortgage:

Appraised value: \$3,500,000

Net Operating Income (NOI): \$245,000

Interest Rate: 5.00% compounded monthly.

Amortization: 25 years

**Your answer**

DSCR calculation

$$\text{Annual mortgage payment} = \frac{\text{NOI}}{\text{DSCR}} = \frac{\$245,000}{1.25} = \$196,000$$

Interest Rate: 5.00% & 25 year amortization and a 1.25 DSCR generates a loan of \$2,795,981 ❌

$$\text{Loan to Value at 75\%} \times \$3,500,000 = \$2,625,000 \checkmark$$

Select the lowest loan value which is \$2,625,000 at a 75% LTV

**Q4.**

If financing is increased from a 50% Loan to Value Ratio (LTV) to a 75% LTV what happens to the:

Return on Investment (IRR)?

Financial risk?

**Your answer**

If the financing increases from 50% to 75% LTV the Internal Rate of Return (IRR) will generally increase but the financial risk will increase.

Increased use of financial leverage generally increases the return (IRR) but increases the financial risk.

**Q5**

In carrying out investment analysis always check to see if the financing can be increased "Now" or some time in the future and if so "When"

Flip side. If the lender is using a Debt Service or Coverage Ratio of 1.18 in what year could the building be refinanced and the mortgage increased?

**Your answer**

Financial Operating Ratios				
Year	Total Loan to Value Ratio (At End of Year) using		Debt Coverage Ratio	Default Ratio (Breakeven) (Using PGI)
	Original Loan Amount	Outstanding Loan Balance		
Year 1	73.14%	72.10%	1.05	95.15%
Year 2	70.94%	68.85%	1.08	93.89%
Year 3	68.72%	65.57%	1.11	92.67%
Year 4	66.32%	62.10%	1.15	91.44%
Year 5	64.10%	58.80%	1.19	90.09%
Year 6	61.85%	55.47%	1.23	88.86%

**Answer Year 5**

**Q6**

What does a Debt Service or Coverage Ratio (DSCR) of 1.25 mean from a lender's perspective

**Your answer**

...It means that the Net Operating Income (NOI) could drop by approximately 25% from 1.25 to 1.00 before the building would experience a negative cash flow.

The DSCR is the lender's margin of safety. The higher the DSCR the lower the financial risk.

**Q7**


Increasing the financing increases the return on investment (IRR) but increases the risk.

This is illustrated on the flip side which shows the return on investment (IRR) with and without financing and shows the impact on the DSCR and the Default Ratio (Breakeven Point)

**Your answer**

**Increasing the financing from 65% to 75% LTV  
The return (IRR) increases from 11.72% to 21.72%  
Risk increases  
DSCR goes from 1.49 to 1.31  
Default Ratio (Breakeven) goes from 82.31% to 90.31%**

Year	Loan to Value Ratio 75%		Loan to Value Ratio 65%	
	Debt Coverage Ratio	Default Ratio (Breakeven) (Using PGI)	Debt Coverage Ratio	Default Ratio (Breakeven) (Using PGI)
Year 1	1.31	90.31%	1.49	82.31%
Year 2	1.32	80.41%	1.51	73.40%
Year 3	1.35	79.27%	1.55	72.45%
Year 4	1.35	79.33%	1.55	72.57%
Year 5	1.35	79.36%	1.55	72.67%

**Internal Rate of Return (IRR): 21.72%**  **11.72%**



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**Q8**

What is financial leverage?

Financial leverage refers to using finance or other people's money to purchase real estate.

Hopefully the use of financial leverage will increase the return on investment but it also increases the risk.

See example on the flip side.

**Your answer**

Example of using financial leverage

You have \$1,000,000 to invest. and your options are:

- 1) Buy a building for \$1,000,000 paying all cash
- 2) Buy a \$4,000,000 building using a 75% LTV and an equity of \$1,000,000

If the values increase 10%

Option 1) Profit is  $10\% \times \$1,000,000 = \$100,000$  with no financial leverage

Option 2) Profit is  $10\% \times \$4,000,000 = \$400,000$  using financial leverage

Using financial leverage the profit went from \$100,000 to \$400,000 but the financial risk increased. If the values went down 10% you would lose \$400,000 if you used financing instead of \$100,000 if you paid cash.

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**Q9**

What might prevent you from increasing the first mortgage or arranging a second mortgage with the seller in order to reduce the amount of equity required to buy the property and increase the return on investment (IRR)?

**Your answer**

You need to check the mortgage document or talk to the lender to see if the mortgage can be paid off or increased. Mortgages often have a number of restrictions such as:

- 1) The mortgage can't be paid off
  - 2) The mortgage can be paid off but there is a very large penalty
  - 3) The loan amount can be increased but the interest rate will increase
  - 4) The first mortgage prohibits placing a second mortgage on the property
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**END OF SET**

## Risk Analysis

### Q1.

The "Higher" the risk the "Higher" or "Lower" the desired return on investment?

#### **Your answer**

The higher the risk the higher the desired return on investment.

Investor's will often accept a higher risk but will look for a higher return on investment.

### Q2.

What creates risk?

Identify some strategies that are used to reduce risk

#### **Your answer**

Risk is created by uncertainty and the inability to accurately predict outcomes.

One strategy is to shift or share the risk.

Examples.

Taking out fire and flood insurance.

Use a "Triple Net Lease" to transfer increases in operating costs to the tenant.

Form a joint venture to spread the risk between the participants

### Q3

One way to identify risk is to look at the timing of the cash flows. The faster the money flows back the less risky the investment. Sooner is better than later.

This is illustrated on the flip side.

#### **Your answer**

**Which is the least risky investment from a financial perspective?**

Year	Property A	Property B
0	<2,000,000>	<2,000,000>
1	600,000	400,000
2	300,000	400,000
3	400,000	400,000
4	500,000	400,000
5	600,000	800,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>400,000</b>	<b>400,000</b>

**Property A because the cash flow in the early years is greater than for property B. Sooner is better than later.**

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**Q4.**

When carrying out investment analysis which are the best financial measures for assessing the potential investment risk?

**Your answer**

The primary financial measures used to measure risk are:

- a) Debt Service or Coverage Ratio (DSCR)
  - b) Default Ratio (Breakeven Point)
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**Q5**

One of the best measures for evaluating risk is the Debt Service or Coverage Ratio (DSCR)

Calculate the Debt Service or Coverage Ratio based on the following

Net Operating Income (NOI): \$239,000

Debt Service (p+i): \$190,000

**Your answer**

$$\text{Debt Service or Coverage Ratio} = \frac{\text{Net Operating Income}}{\text{Debt Service}}$$

Debt Service is the annual principal and Interest payment  
Net Operating Income: \$239,000 per year  
Debt Service (p+i): \$190,000

$$\text{Debt Service or Coverage Ratio} = \frac{\text{Net Operating Income}}{\text{Debt Service}}$$
$$= \frac{\$239,000}{\$190,000} = 1.26$$

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**Q6**

How can you use the Debt Service or Coverage Ratio (DSCR) to evaluate the financial risk?

**Your answer**

A DSCR of 1.26 tells you that the Net Operating Income (NOI) can drop by approximately 26% before the operating cash flow becomes negative. It's the lender's margin of safety.

The higher the DSCR the safer the investment from a cash flow perspective.

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**Q7**

Another really good measure of financial risk is the “Default Ratio (Breakeven Point)” which is the point where the revenue covers the operating expenses and the mortgage payments.

Using the following information calculate the Default Ratio (Breakeven Point)

Operating Expenses: \$58,000

Debt Service (p+i): \$180,538

Effective Gross Income (EGI): \$292,230

**Your answer**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Default Ratio} &= \frac{(\text{Operating Expenses} + \text{Debt Service}) \times 100}{\text{Effective Gross Income}} \\ &= \frac{(58,000 + 180,538) \times 100}{292,230} \\ &= 81.63\%\end{aligned}$$

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**Q8**

How can you use the Default Ratio (Breakeven Point) to evaluate the investment risk?

**Your answer**

The Default Ratio (Breakeven Point) shows you the percent of revenue needed to breakeven where the revenue covers the operating expenses and the debt service or mortgage payments.

A high Default Ratio (Breakeven Point) tends to suggest high risk depending on the quality of the tenants.

**Q9**

Which investment would you consider to be less risky?

Investment A:

Default Ratio (Breakeven Point): 90%

Debt Service or Coverage Ratio: 1.13

Investment B

Default Ratio (Breakeven Point): 81%

**Your answer**

	<b>Investment A</b>	<b>Investment B</b>
Default Ratio (Breakeven Point)	90%	81%
Debt Service or Coverage Ratio	1.13	1.21

**Investment B is the less risky investment.**  
**It has the lowest Default Ratio (Breakeven Point) at 81%**  
**and the highest Debt Service or Coverage Ratio of 1.21**

**Q10**


Increasing the financing on a building will increase the financial risk but will generally increase the return on investment or the Internal Rate of Return (IRR)

This is illustrated on the flip side where increasing the Loan to Value Ratio from 65% to 75% increases the Internal rate of Return (IRR) from 11.72% to 21.72% but increases the financial risk.

**Your answer**

**Increasing the financing from 65% to 75% LTV**  
**The return (IRR) increases from 11.72% to 21.72%**  
**Risk increases**  
**DSCR goes from 1.49 to 1.31**  
**Default Ratio (Breakeven) goes from 82.31% to 90.31%**

Year	Loan to Value Ratio 75%		Loan to Value Ratio 65%	
	Debt Coverage Ratio	Default Ratio (Breakeven) (Using PGI)	Debt Coverage Ratio	Default Ratio (Breakeven) (Using PGI)
Year 1	1.31	90.31%	1.49	82.31%
Year 2	1.32	80.41%	1.51	73.40%
Year 3	1.35	79.27%	1.55	72.45%
Year 4	1.35	79.33%	1.55	72.57%
Year 5	1.35	79.36%	1.55	72.67%

**Internal Rate of Return (IRR): 21.72%**  **11.72%**

**Q11**

When using the Default Ratio (Breakeven Point) a high Default Ratio (Breakeven Point) such as 92% may indicate high risk but it depends on the predictability of the cash flows which may depend on the quality of the tenants.

The example on the flip side illustrates this.

**Your answer**

This appears to be a high risk investment because of the 85% LTV financing.

The Debt Coverage Ratio is very low at 1.12 and the Default Ratio (Breakeven Point) is very high at 91.17% indicating high risk BUT...

It is a new single tenant building with a Fortune 500 tenant with a 20 year triple net lease with regular rent increases. The tenant has spent \$1,200,000 on leasehold improvements.

The income is very predictable and secure making this a low risk, highly leverage investment

Loan to Value Ratio 85%	
Debt Coverage Ratio	Default Ratio (Breakeven) (Using PGI)
→ 1.12	→ 91.17%
1.16	89.65%
1.19	88.19%
1.23	86.78%
1.26	85.44%
1.30	84.15%
1.34	82.90%

**Q12**

Increasing the financing generally increases the return on investment (IRR) but increases the risk.

The example on the flip side show the impact of using financial leverage.

**Your answer**

Net Cash Flow				Operating Cash Flow (Before Tax)	Sale Proceeds (Before Tax)	Net Cash Flow (Before Tax)
Year	Investment	Financing				
		Borrow	Paid Back			
0	\$ (3,590,000)	\$ 2,000,000	-	-	-	\$ (1,590,000)
1	-	-	-	120,861	-	120,861
2	-	-	-	128,686	-	128,686
3	-	-	-	136,834	-	136,834
4	-	-	-	144,857	-	144,857
5	-	-	(1,771,603)	153,611	4,096,617	2,478,625
					Total	\$ 1,419,862

Financial Returns (Before Tax)	
Without Financing	With Financing
9.99%	→ 15.29%

The use of financing at a 50% LTV Ratio increased the Return on Investment (IRR) from 9.99% to 15.29%

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**Q13**

The example on the flip side shows prudent financial ratios for a safe versus a more risky investment.

*Your answer*

	Safe investment	Risky investment
	Great location AAA Credit Tenant(s) Long term leases Predictable cash flows	Poor location Questionable tenants High Vacancies Unpredictable cash flows
Debt Service or Coverage	1.10 -1.25	1.30 -1.45
Default Ratio (Breakeven Point)	85% to 90%	65% to 75%

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**END OF SET**

**Real estate taxation****Q1.**

When calculating taxes which of the following are "EXPENSED" and which are expensed by claiming "DEPRECIATION"?

Maintenance	Expense	Depreciate
Improvements	Expense	Depreciate
Utilities	Expense	Depreciate
Insurance	Expense	Depreciate
Roof replacement	Expense	Depreciate

**Circle your answer**

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**Q2.**

When an investor buys a commercial property, the value of the land is claimed over time using depreciation.

True  False

**Circle your answer**

Land cannot be depreciated or expensed for tax purposes.

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**Q3.**

Recaptured depreciation tax paid by the seller because:

- 1) The value of the improvements on sale is greater than on acquisition or..
- 2) The value of the improvements on sale is less than on acquisition

**Circle your answer**

The value of the improvements on sale is less than on acquisition

If the value of the improvements on sale is greater than on acquisition, the value of the improvements has "appreciated", not "depreciated", and the seller will face recaptured depreciation tax which is generally taxed at the seller's income tax rate.



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**Q4.**

When a property is sold, why is it important that the buyer and seller agree on the allocation of the purchase price between “Land” and “Improvements”?

**BUYER**

Wants the value of the improvements to be “**HIGH**” or “**LOW**”

**SELLER**

Wants the value of the improvements to be “**HIGH**” or “**LOW**”

*Circle your answers*

**BUYER**

Wants the value of the improvements to be “**HIGH**” or “LOW”

The “Buyer” wants the value of the improvements on sale to be as high as possible, to maximize the yearly depreciation claim and reduce income taxes.

**SELLER**

The “seller Wants the value of the improvements to be “HIGH” or “**LOW**”

The “Seller” wants the value of the improvements on sale to be as low as possible, to minimize the amount of recaptured depreciation tax that has to be paid.

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**Q5.**

What is a “Capital Gain”?

**Your answer**

A “Capital Gain” is created when the value of the property increases.

Example

A buyer bought the property for \$2,000,000 and sold it for \$3,500,000 five years later.

The capital gain is;

$\$3,500,000 - \$2,000,000 = \$1,500,000$  which will be subject to a capital gains tax.

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**Q6.**

A "Capital Gain" is taxed at the Investor's income tax rate.

True  False

**Circle your answer**

The "Capital Gain" is taxed at the capital gain tax rate which is different from the income tax rate and is lower than the income tax rate.

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**Q7.**

Your getting a listing to sell an income property.

The Investor has owned the property for many years, and it's gone up a lot in value.

Why is it important for the Investor to check with her accountant before selling the property?

**Your answer**

The investor needs to know the tax implication associated with the sale and how much money she will receive after paying:

- Capital gains tax
- Depreciation recaptured tax
- Paying off the outstanding balance of the mortgage plus any penalties
- Real estate commission and closing costs

If the building has been refinanced and has a large mortgage it's possible that the seller will receive little money from the sale and walk away from the deal.

Best to know this before you put a lot of effort into listing and trying to sell the property.

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**Q8.**

What are the characteristics of income properties that are hard to sell because of the impact of taxes?

**Your answer**

Properties that are hard to sell because of the tax implications.

Characteristics

1. Owned for a long period of time
2. Gone up a lot in value
3. Heavily depreciated

AND THERE IS A LARGE MORTGAGE ON THE PROPERTY

When the owner sells:

- Large Capital Gain tax to pay
- Large Recaptured Depreciation tax to pay
- Real estate commissions and closing costs
- .....and a large mortgage to pay off.

**THE RESULT**

The is little money left over from the sale

When the owner realizes this, the deal collapses

**Q9.**

Can a full depreciation claim be made in the year of acquisition?

Yes     No

***Circle your answer***

In the first year the allowable depreciation claim is reduced based on the tax rules for the country and the asset class.

In Canada 50% of the asset value is used to calculate the first year depreciation.

USA uses a more complex system using mid month, mid quarter and mid year rule depending on the asset class.

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**Q10.**

What is the difference between "Amortization" and "Depreciation"

***Your answer***

Depreciation is used for expensing the cost of tangible assets for tax purposes such as a building or the cost of replacing a roof.

Amortization is used to expense the cost of intangible assets for tax purposes such as a fee paid to the realtor for leasing space or cash paid by the landlord to the tenant to entice a tenant to lease space in the building.

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**Q11.**

When listing and selling a property, why is it important to review the mortgage document?

***Your answer***

The mortgage(s) may have restrictions that make it difficult to sell the property such as:

1. The mortgage can't be paid off until the end of the term
  2. The interest penalty for paying off the mortgage is very high
  3. The seller is willing to provide a second mortgage to the buyer to facilitate the sale, but the buyer's first mortgage lender prohibits a second mortgage being placed on the property killing the deal
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**Q12.****A CAUTION*****Flip side***

Taxation is complex and depends on the type of real estate and the legal entity used to own the real estate, such as a partnership or corporation and many other factors.

It is very important to get legal and accounting advice before acquiring or selling a property.