FORESTALLING FORECLOSURE
THE STRATEGIC USE OF @RISK TO
A HEALTH CENTER IN FINANCIAL DISTRESS

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The Problem

- Medical center in California
- Secures 30-year $5.1 million mortgage from private banks
- Two loans with average rate of 5.4%
- Loans guaranteed by U.S. Government
- Unexpected decrease in the center’s net income
  - government reimbursements down; numbers of uninsured up
- Monthly P&I too burdensome
  - borrower suspends mortgage payments
  - lenders begin default process
- No one wants foreclosure; how to proceed?
The Project

- Analyze debt situation
- Goals:
  - can borrower avoid default?
  - should the center refinance?
  - how likely is it borrower can resume mortgage payments within the next 12 months?
- Focus on debt capacity from 2010 through 2040
Defining the Situation

- Debt Capacity – Total amount of debt borrower can carry; function of annual income
- Debt Service Coverage – Ratio of Debt Capacity to Annual Principal and Interest Payment
  - bank’s target DSC = 1.25
- What is annual net income necessary to satisfy DSC?

\[
CF \text{ for Debt} = Net \text{ Income} + Depreciation + Interest \text{ Expense}
\]

\[
DSC = \frac{Net \text{ Income} + Depreciation + Interest \text{ Expense}}{Annual \text{ Principal Payment} + Annual \text{ Interest Expense}}
\]
## Defining the Inputs

### Known Inputs

- **Depreciation Expense**
  - from Income Statement
  - Straight Line method
  - $343,375 per year

- **Interest Expense**
  - from Amortization Table
  - varies year to year

- **P&I Payments**
  - from Amortization Table
  - $349,530 per year

- **Annual Loan Balance**
  - from Amortization Table
  - Declines year to year

### Unknown Inputs to Test

- **Interest Rate**
  - current rate: 5.423%
  - 6.39% (maximum non-rated muni bond yield, per Delphis-Hanover, February 2010)

- **Term of Debt**
  - current term: 30 years
  - 35 years and 40 years

- **Net Income (aka Change in Net Assets)**
Defining Change in Net Assets

### Change in Net Assets

- **Seven Years of Audits**
  - two years of losses
  - five years of gains
  - low of ($577,250)
  - high of $1,432,720
  - average of $333,430
  - $\sigma$ of $610,015

### From Audited Statements

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<th>Change in Net Assets</th>
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<td>FY2003</td>
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The Debt Capacity Model

- Use Evolver to solve for net income in equation:

\[
CF \text{ for Debt} = Net \text{ Income} + Depreciation + Interest \text{ Expense}
\]

- Subject to the condition:

\[
1.25 = \frac{Net \text{ Income} + Depreciation + Interest \text{ Expense}}{Annual \text{ Principal Payment} + Annual \text{ Interest Expense}}
\]

- Repeat calculation for each year of interest
- Calculating the minimum net income needed to service mortgage with DSC of 1.25 for each year
# Determining Debt Capacity

## FINANCIALLY STRUGGLING HEALTH CENTER

### DEBT CAPACITY ANALYSIS

Using Financial Data for 1 January 2003 through 31 December 2009

**Debt Capacity**

Provides rough measure of total debt cash flows could support, assuming Debt Service Coverage Ratio of 1.25 times and various amortization periods at current commercial mortgage rates.

**Defined As:** Change in Net Assets Plus Depreciation Expense Plus Interest Expense

### INPUTS for FY2010

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<th>Component</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<tr>
<td>Change in Net Assets</td>
<td>$ (185,311)</td>
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<td>Depreciation</td>
<td>$ 343,375</td>
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<td>Interest Expense</td>
<td>$ 278,847</td>
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### Fiscal Year 2010

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<td>Cash Flow Available for Debt Service</td>
<td>$ 436,912</td>
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<td>Cash Flow Available for Debt Service with</td>
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<td>Debt Service Coverage of:</td>
<td>1.25</td>
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<td>$ 349,530</td>
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<td>Debt Supported by Adjusted Cash Flow</td>
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<td>Interest Rate:</td>
<td>5.42%</td>
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<td>Term in years</td>
<td>30</td>
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<td>Balance at Beginning of Year</td>
<td>$ 5,173,765</td>
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Debt Capacity Results

Minimum Annual Change in Net Asset Needed to Support Remaining Balance on Mortgage Debt

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Change in NA</th>
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<tr>
<td>2010</td>
<td>$(200,000)</td>
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<td>2015</td>
<td>$(150,000)</td>
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<td>2035</td>
<td>$50,000</td>
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<td>2040</td>
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Change in NA
Debt Capacity Results

- Analysis results in unexpected conclusion
  - results raise their own issues
- Negative net income not sustainable economically
  - depreciation is as large as cash flow available for debt service
- Occasional losses should pose minimal threat
- Break even strategy needed
- Question: What is likelihood of minimum net income?
- What is likelihood of satisfying DSC in any given year?
Debt Service Coverage Simulation Using @Risk

- Three variables determine DSC:
  - change in net assets
  - term of debt
  - interest rate

- Would refinancing reduce debt burden?
  - would reducing payments make a difference?

- Refinancing changes
  - mortgage rate
  - annual P&I
  - years on mortgage
Debt Service Coverage Simulation Using @Risk

- Think of problem in Time Value of Money terms
  - PV = principal balance remaining on mortgage debt
  - FV = $0 (fully amortized mortgage)
  - PMT = annual P&I
  - i = mortgage rate
  - n = term remaining on mortgage

- Refinancing affects only PMT, i, and n

- Change in net assets, depreciation, and interest expense determine mortgage debt capacity
  - discounted cash flow approach solving for PV
Debt Service Coverage Simulation Using @Risk

- @Risk simulation inputs:
  - change in net assets
  - term of debt
  - interest rate

- @Risk simulation outputs:
  - change in net assets
  - debt capacity

- Technical Details
  - MacBook Pro, OS X v 10.6.2
  - Parallels Desktop v 5.0.9310
  - Microsoft Windows XP HE 2002 SP3
  - @Risk 5.0
Debt Service Coverage Simulation Using @Risk

- Simulation for 2010 only
- Make two runs to refine model
  - small data sample for net income with large $\sigma$ value
- Start with uniform distributions for two variables
  - net income ($-577,250$ to $1,432,720$)
  - interest rate (5.42% to 6.39%)
- Term variable uses discrete uniform distribution
  - values (30, 35, 40)
- Run 1000 iterations to start first simulation
Simulation Results, First Run

**Term of Mortgage, Run #1**

Duniform({30, 35, 40})

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<th>Term of Mortgage</th>
<th>33.3%</th>
<th>66.7%</th>
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<td>Run</td>
<td>30 yrs</td>
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**Mortgage Rate, Run #1**

Uniform(5.42%, 6.39%)

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<th>Mortgage Rate</th>
<th>5.0%</th>
<th>90.0%</th>
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<td>Rate</td>
<td>5.472%</td>
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<td>6.342%</td>
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The graphs illustrate the distribution of term lengths and mortgage rates for the first run of the simulation. The term of mortgage is uniformly distributed over 30, 35, and 40 years, and the mortgage rate is uniformly distributed between 5.42% and 6.39%.
Simulation Results, First Run

**Change in Net Assets, 2010**
Uniform(-577250, 1432720)

- 19.5%: -0.185
- 75.5%: 1.332
- 5.0%

**Debt Capacity, 2010**

- 19.7%: 5.17
- 75.3%: 15.66
- 5.0%
Simulation Results, First Run

- Term and rate results as expected
- Net Income results exceed −$185,000 roughly 80% of trials
- Debt Capacity results exceed $5.17 million roughly 80% of trials
- Regression shows net income drives results
- Refinancing not useful
- Service existing debt
Debt Service Coverage Simulation Using @Risk

- Fix rate and term at existing values (5.42% and 30 years)
- Use triangular distribution for simulating net income
  - values (−$577,250; $333,429; and $1,432,720)
  - fixes minimum and maximum values
- Run 5000 iterations
Simulation Results, Second Run

Change in Net Assets, 2010
Triang (-577250, 333429, 1432720)

8.4% 86.6% 5.0%

Debt Capacity, 2010

8.3% 86.7% 5.0%

Values x 10^-6
Values x 10^-8
Simulation Results, Second Run

Findings

- Net Income results exceed −$185,000 roughly 92% of trials
- Debt Capacity results exceed $5.17 million roughly 92% of trials
- Good (not great) likelihood of that occurring in FY2010
  - situation dire but not hopeless
  - better than foreclosure?
- Refinancing not a practical solution
- Best strategy to service existing debt
Analysis Leads to Strategic Conclusions

- Best solution to continue servicing existing debt
- Negotiate timetable to restart debt service payments with lenders and US government
- Create benchmarks for measuring progress
- Develop comprehensive strategic business plan to:
  - Deliver minimum (breakeven) net income in FY2010 and subsequent years
  - Identify new sources of growth and minimal revenue targets
  - Identify areas for budget cuts and maximum expense targets
  - Create and fund debt service reserve account
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