

# EngrD 2190 – Lecture 15

Concept: Process Analysis by Mathematical Modeling

Context: Process Economics of Selling Potable Water

Defining Question: How do capital costs differ from operating costs?

Read Chapter 3, pp. 152-156. Process Economics, cont'd

Lecture 16 will cover the same concepts, but in a different context.

# Professional Development – LinkedIn Pages

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Complete the LinkedIn module located within the “Networking” tab within the Toolkit.

Based on the guidance provided within the LinkedIn education module, create a LinkedIn account/page for yourself that is comprehensive, engaging, and effective.

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**By Wednesday Oct 1, 5pm. email:**

**Last name beginning A-J Email to Professor Woltornist (AW499)**

**Last name beginning K-Z Email to Professor Bauer (btb42)**

- A link to your LinkedIn page
- Completed grading rubrics for the LinkedIn pages of two peers.

**Due Today**

## Prelim 1

- Prelim 1: Tuesday 10/7, 7:30-9:30 p.m. 245 and 128 Olin Hall  
Covers Chapter 2 and mass balances (formal and informal).  
Covers through Lecture 10, Homework 4, Calculation Session 5.  
Open notes and open exercise solutions.  
Bring a calculator. Graphing calculators are allowed.  
*No laptops and no iPads.*

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CEO of Fidelity Investments 1983-87.  
2 trillion \$ in assets.

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Eric Degenfelder (BChE '86) Director, Business Development

Namesake for Cornell ChemE

Eric Einset (BChE '86) Principal, Global Infrastructure Partners

Robert Frederick Smith (BChE '86) Founder, Vista Equity Partners

Brian Breidgan (BChE '88) Vice President and General Manager

Private equity company with  
\$269,000,000,000 in assets.

Venkataraman Bringi (BChE '91) Vice President, Process

Ayanna Clunis (née Wilson) (BChE '95) Head of Operations, TPG Capital

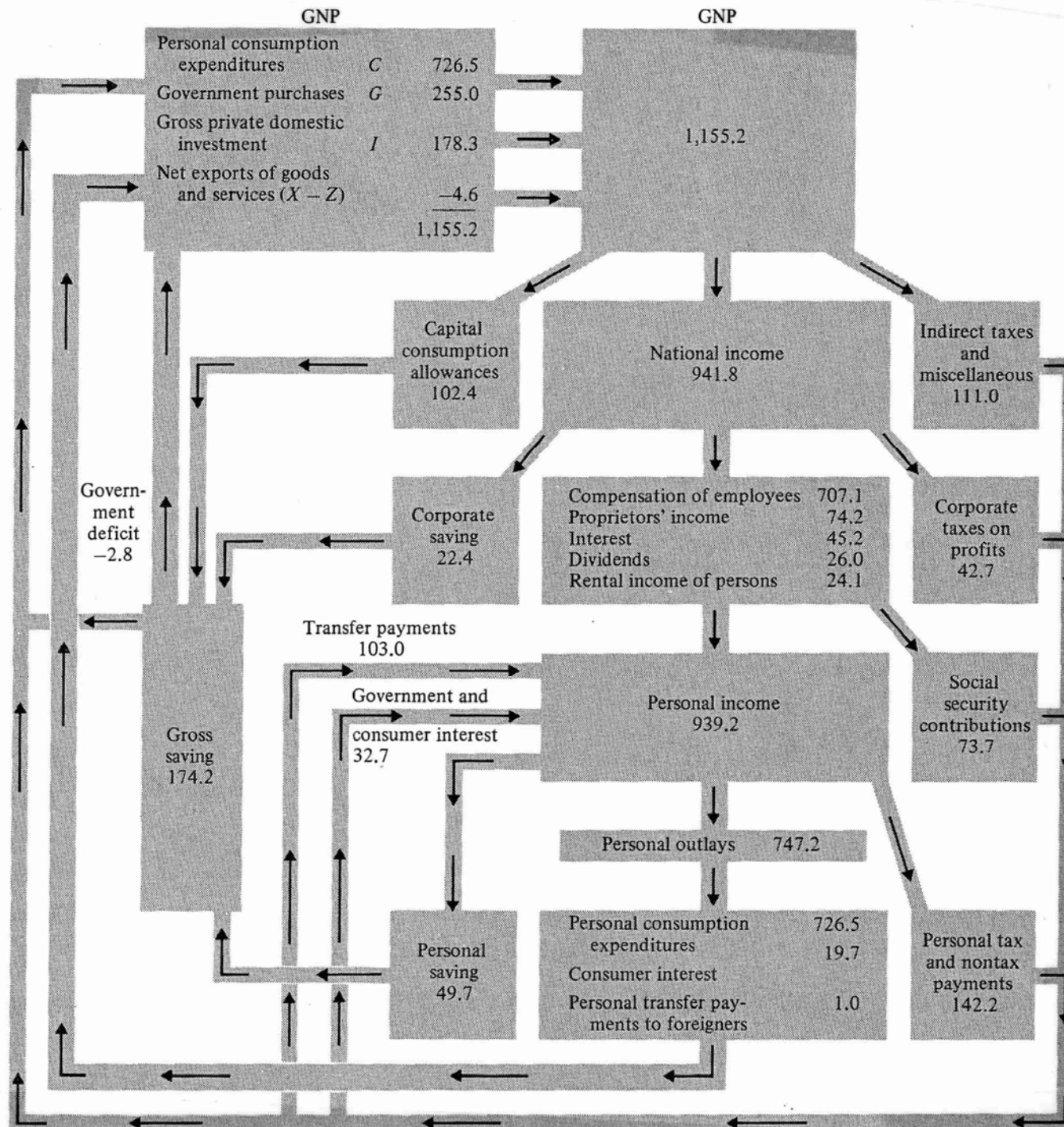
Mary Carmen Gasco-Buisson (BChE '97) Chief Marketing Officer, Pandora

Todd Zion (BChE '97) Founder, SmartCells; Founder,

Sold SmartCells to Merck in 2010  
for \$500,000,000.



# Flowsheet of the U.S. Economy

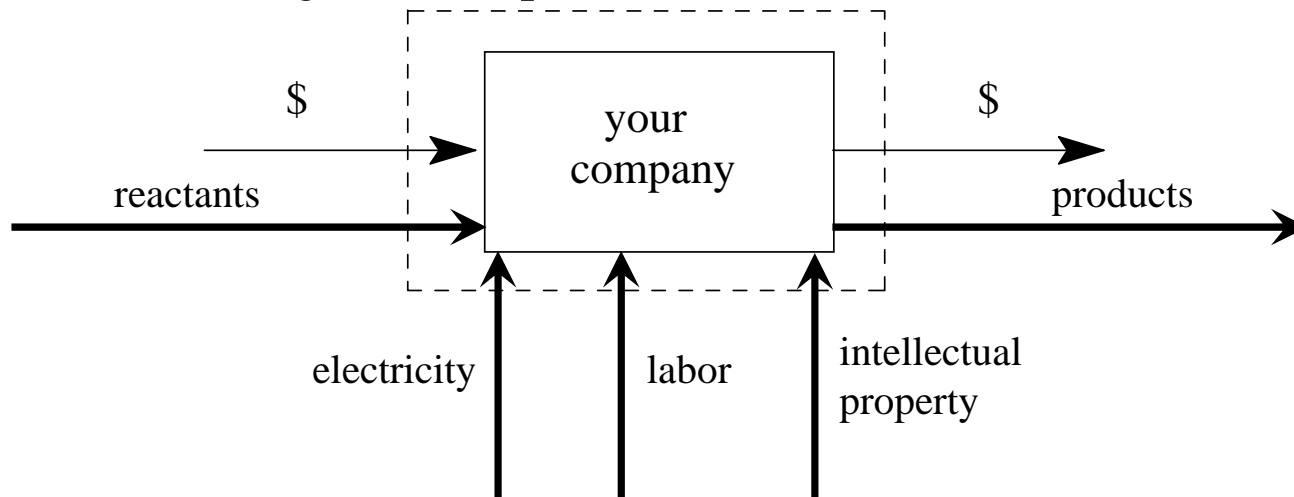


# Process Economics

*A formalism for calculating the finances of producing and selling a chemical product.*

Analysis of asset flows:

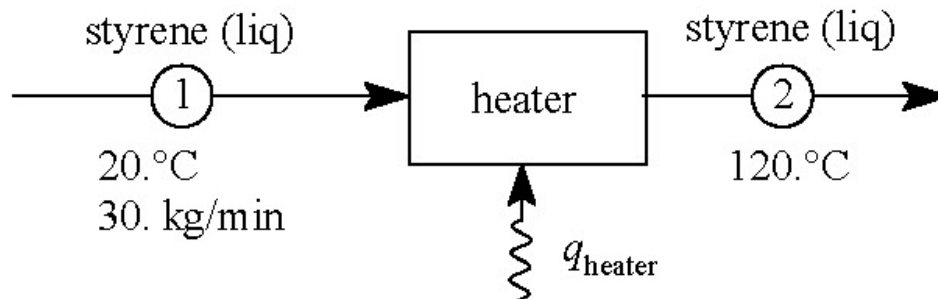
Asset Balances (Figure 3.58, p. 145)



Every stream has inherent assets.

Use economics to convert to conserved quantity: **assets** (in units of \$).

Compare to Energy Balances



Every stream has inherent energy.

Use thermodynamics to convert to conserved quantity: **energy** (in units of Joules).

# The Conservation of Assets

$$\boxed{\frac{d(\text{assets})}{dt}} = \boxed{\text{rate of assets in} + \text{rate assets created}} - \boxed{(\text{rate of assets out} + \text{rate assets consumed})}$$

Eqn 3.190, p. 145

$$\text{profit} = \text{revenue} - \text{operating costs}$$

Eqn 3.191, p. 146

Units of 'assets' are \$. Units of 'rate of assets' are \$/year.

Units of 'profit,' 'revenue,' and 'operating costs' are \$/year.

Not Steady State. We want  $d(\text{assets})/dt = \text{profit} > 0$ .



# The Conservation of Assets

Are assets *truly* conserved, like mass and energy?

Mass and energy are defined by laws of nature. Assets are defined by economics.

The conservation of energy initially related two forms of energy:  
potential ( $= mgh$ ) and kinetic ( $= \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ ). Leibnitz 1669

When experiments showed potential energy could be converted to thermal energy,  
a new term was added: thermal energy ( $= mC_p(\Delta T)$ )

Each time conservation of energy appeared to be violated, a new term was added.

phase change energy ( $= m(\Delta H_{\text{phase}})$ )

pressure energy ( $= PV$ )

chemical reaction energy ( $= m(\Delta H_{\text{reaction}})$ )

nuclear energy ( $= mc^2$ )

~~orgone energy~~ Wilhem Reich 1930s

# Example 1. You win a desalinator in a raffle.

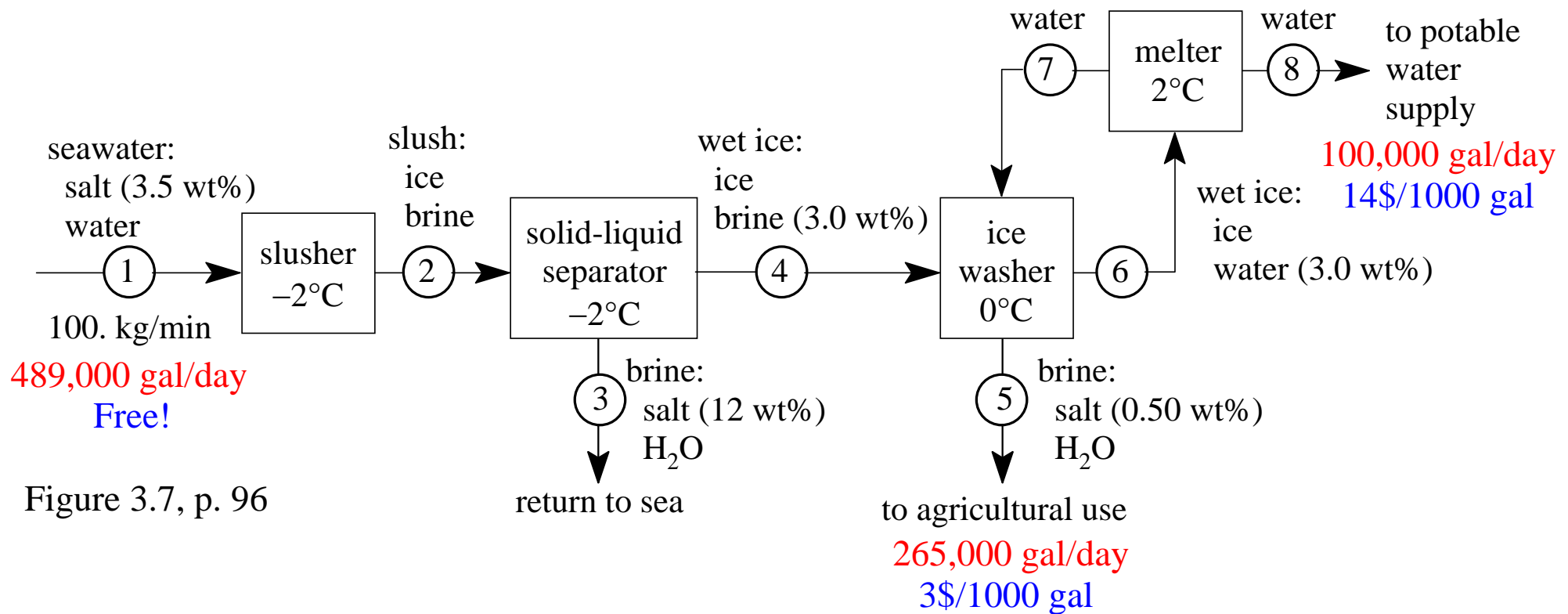


Figure 3.7, p. 96

Must convert gal/day to \$/year. Economics provides the conversion factors.

Desalinator operates 24 hours/day, 365 days/year.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{revenue} &= \left( \frac{100,000 \text{ gal potable water}}{\text{production day}} \right) \left( \frac{14. \$}{1000 \text{ gal}} \right) + \left( \frac{265,000 \text{ gal agricultural water}}{\text{production day}} \right) \left( \frac{3. \$}{1000 \text{ gal}} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{1400 \$}{\text{production day}} + \frac{795 \$}{\text{production day}} \right) \left( \frac{365 \text{ production days}}{\text{year}} \right) = 801,175 \$/\text{year} \end{aligned}$$

Note!

Eqn 3.193, p. 146

## Example 1, cont'd. You win a desalinator in a raffle.

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Eqn 3.193, p. 146

operating costs = electricity + rent + labor

$$\begin{aligned}&= \left( \frac{43,000 \$}{\text{month}} \right) \left( \frac{12 \text{ months}}{\text{year}} \right) + \left( \frac{3,200 \$}{\text{month}} \right) \left( \frac{12 \text{ months}}{\text{year}} \right) \\ &\quad + \left( \frac{3 \text{ shifts}}{\text{day}} \right) \left( \frac{9 \text{ hours}}{\text{shift}} \right) \left( \frac{16.50 \$}{\text{hour}} \right) \left( \frac{7 \text{ days}}{\text{week}} \right) \left( \frac{52 \text{ weeks}}{\text{year}} \right) \\ &= 516,000 \$/\text{year} + 38,400 \$/\text{year} + 162,162 \$/\text{year} \\ &= 716,562 \$/\text{year}\end{aligned}$$

Eqns 3.194-7, p. 146

profit = revenue – operating costs

$$= 801,175 - 716,562$$

$$= 84,613 \$/\text{year} \quad \text{Nice!}$$

Eqn 3.198, p. 147

# Mid-Semester Survey

Example 2. Your friend purchases a desalinator (\$340,000).

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*Identical to your profit!? How can this be?*

*Your friend spent \$340,000. Why is this not an operating cost?*

# Operating Costs vs. Capital Costs

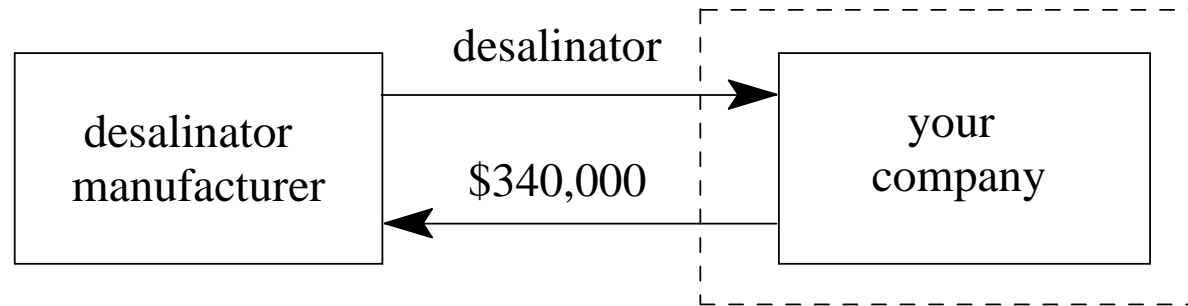


Figure 3.59. Asset flows during a desalinator purchase. (p. 147)

$$\text{profit (or loss)} = \text{rate of assets in} - \text{rate of assets out} \quad \text{Eqn 3.199, p. 147}$$

$$= (\text{revenue} + \text{equipment purchased}) - (\text{operating costs} + \text{capital costs})$$

$$\text{equipment purchased (flow into company)} = \text{capital cost (cash flow out)} \quad \text{Eqn 3.200, p. 147}$$

$$\therefore \text{profit (or loss)} = \text{revenue} - \text{operating costs} \quad \text{Eqn 3.191, p. 147}$$

*Equipment purchases are capital costs, not operating costs.*



## Operating Costs vs. Capital Costs, cont'd

*Is any tangible purchase a capital cost?*

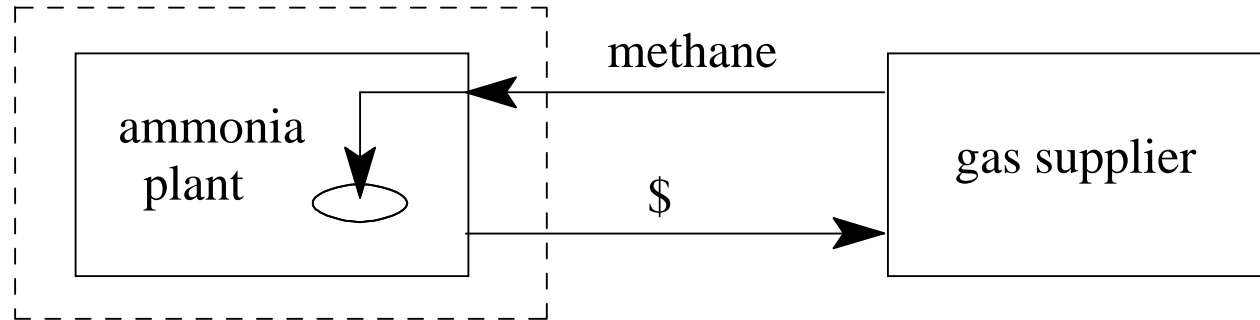


Figure 3.60. Asset flows during your reactant purchase. (p. 147)

$$\frac{d(\text{assets})}{dt} = \text{rate of assets in} - \text{rate of assets out} \\ + \text{rate of formation} - \text{rate of consumption}$$

Eqn 3.200, p. 148

For reactants, rate of assets in =  $-(\text{rate of reactant consumption})$

Because reactants are *consumed*, reactants do not increase the assets within a company.

*If an item is consumed, the item is not capital.*

# Operating Costs vs. Capital Costs, cont'd

## Capital Cost: Purchasing a Desalinator.

Before Purchase

your  
friend's  
company  
\$340,000

Assets = \$340,000

After Purchase

your  
friend's  
company  
a desalinator

Assets = \$340,000 → 0 eventually

But capital items  
do not last forever.

## Operating Cost: Purchasing Reactants.

Before Purchase

ammonia  
synthesis  
company  
\$100,000

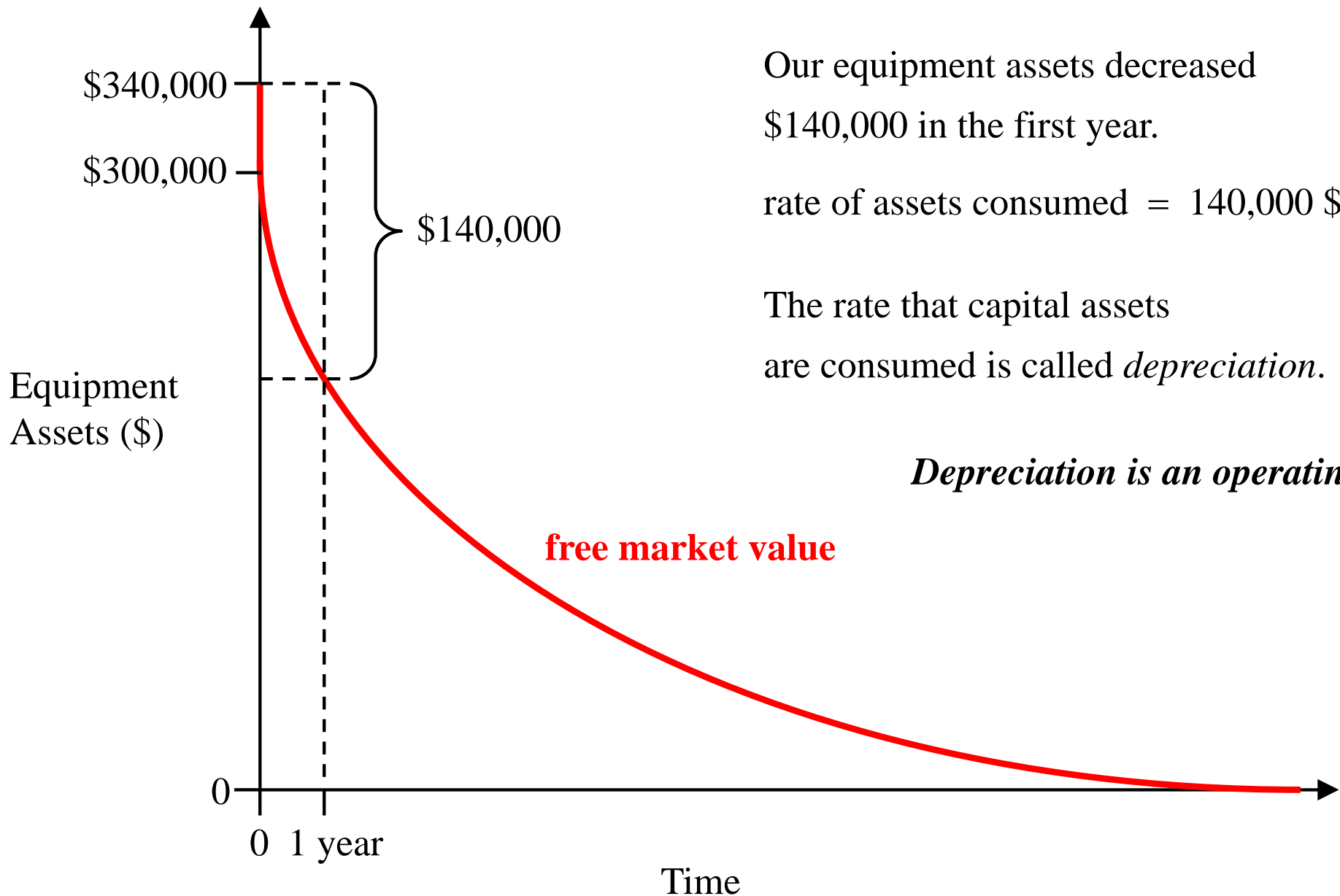
Assets = \$100,000

After Purchase

ammonia  
synthesis  
company  
(no reactants)

Assets = \$0

Capital equipment is also consumed  
*but slower than consumables.*



Our equipment assets decreased  
\$140,000 in the first year.

rate of assets consumed = 140,000 \$/year

The rate that capital assets  
are consumed is called *depreciation*.

***Depreciation is an operating cost.***

Example 2. Your friend purchases a desalinator (\$340,000).

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$$\begin{aligned}\text{operating costs} &= \text{electricity} + \text{rent} + \text{labor} + \text{depreciation} \\ &= 516,000 \$/\text{year} + 38,400 \$/\text{year} + 162,162 \$/\text{year} + 140,000 \$/\text{year} \\ &= 856,562 \$/\text{year}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{profit} &= \text{revenue} - \text{operating costs} \\ &= 801,175 - 856,562 = -55,387 \$/\text{year}\end{aligned}$$

How much cash at the end of the year?    \$84,613      But the net value of the company is *decreasing*.

Profit is taxed. Consider two tax exhortations:

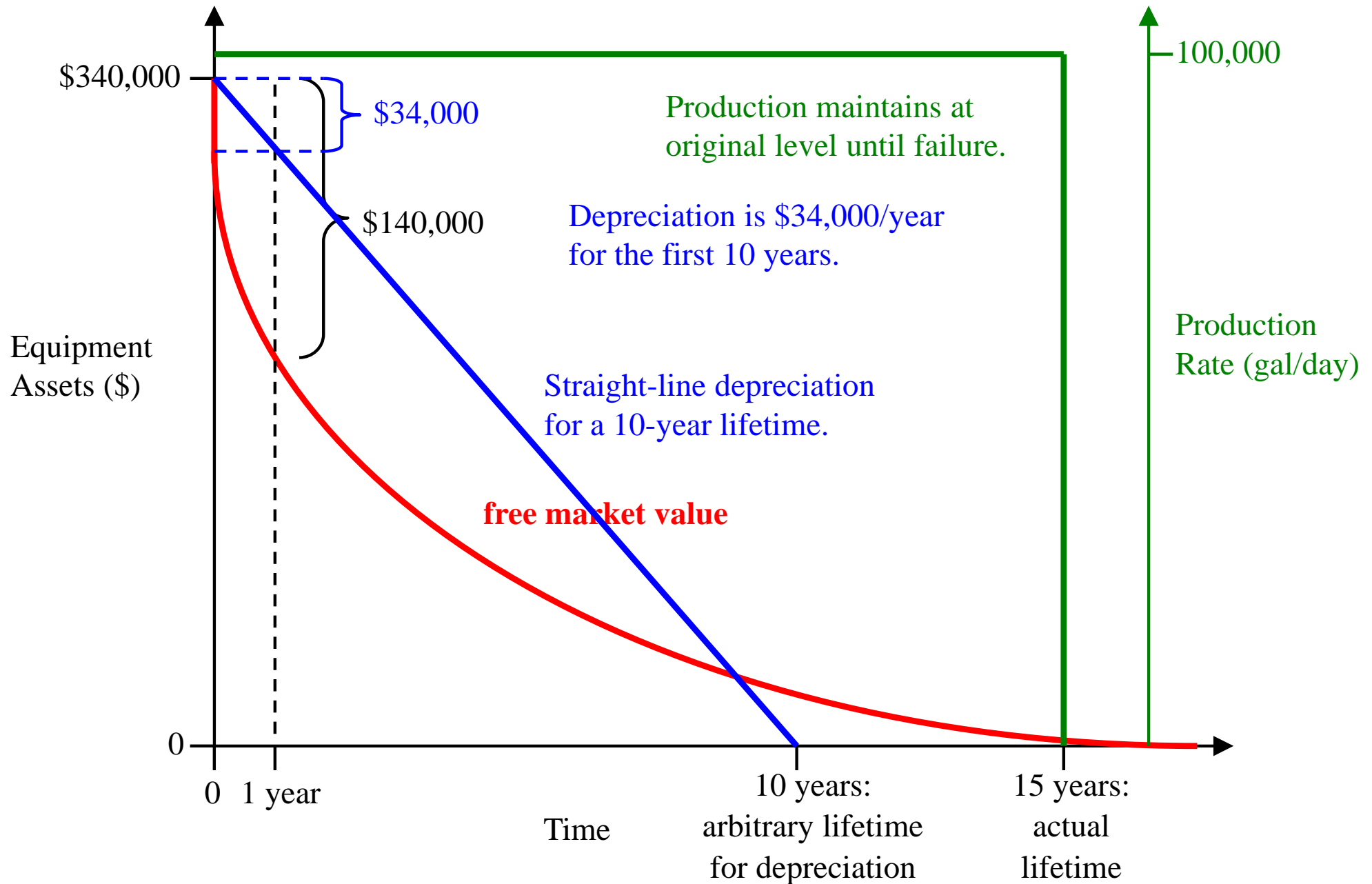
Always deduct as much as you are allowed.

Always postpone paying taxes.

How much depreciation should you claim the first year?    \$84,613, so profit = 0, taxes = 0.

*The IRS is aware of this tactic. Rates of depreciation are dictated by tax law.*

Capital equipment is also consumed, but slower than consumables.



## Example 2. Your friend purchases a desalinator (\$340,000).

revenue = 801,175 \$/year (same as before)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{depreciation} &= \frac{\text{capital cost}}{\text{lifetime}} && \text{(straight - line method)} \\ &= \frac{340,000 \$}{10 \text{ years}} = 34,000 \$/\text{year}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{operating costs} &= \text{electricity} + \text{rent} + \text{labor} + \text{depreciation} \\ &= 516,000 \$/\text{year} + 38,400 \$/\text{year} + 162,162 \$/\text{year} + 34,000 \$/\text{year} \\ &= 750,562 \$/\text{year}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{profit} &= \text{revenue} - \text{operating costs} \\ &= 801,175 - 750,562 = 50,613 \$/\text{year} \quad \textit{Still Nice!} \quad \dots \text{ or is it?}\end{aligned}$$

How to judge if \$50,000/year profit is good?

A teenager with a neighborhood lawn-mowing service? \$50,000/year profit is good. *Very good.*

An Intel Fabrication Line? \$50,000/year profit is bad. *Very bad.*



# Mid-Semester Survey

*Please pass to the center,  
then pass to the front.*

# The Ultimate Economic Parameter is Return On Investment (ROI)

At least, in EngrD 2190 ...

$$\text{ROI} = \frac{\text{profit}}{\text{capital cost}} \quad \text{units are } \frac{\$/\text{year}}{\$} = \frac{1}{\text{year}} \quad \text{or percent per year}$$

$$\text{Desalinator:} \quad \text{ROI} = \frac{50,613 \$/\text{year}}{340,000 \$} = 0.15/\text{year} = 15\% \text{ per year}$$

$$\text{Billy's Mowing Service:} \quad \text{ROI} = \frac{50,000 \$/\text{year}}{10,000 \$} = 5.0/\text{year} = 500\% \text{ per year}$$

$$\text{Intel Fab Line:} \quad \text{ROI} = \frac{50,000 \$/\text{year}}{2,500,000,000 \$} = 0.00002/\text{year} = 0.002\% \text{ per year}$$

***For every process, calculate the ROI.***