

15.501/516 **Accounting** Spring 2004

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# Should we recognize the asset?

### Assets arise from transactions and events

- A firm issues a \$12m check to an insurance company for liability insurance over the next year.
- A firm issues a check for \$500K as a deposit on a custom-built machine.
- A firm buys stock in another firm for \$325K
- A firm acquires chemicals to be used as raw materials for \$800K.

# Should we recognize the asset?

#### Assets arise from transactions and events

- A well-known scientist is hired to manage the R&D function for 480K a year. Employment starts next month.
- The firm receives an order for \$15K in products.
- The firm writes a check for \$1M to obtain an option to purchase a tract of land.
- A firm receives notice from a supplier that it has shipped raw materials of \$200K. The firm has title to the goods while in transit.
- The firm purchases a patent from its creator for \$1.2M



### Liabilities arise from transactions and events

- The firm owes its attorneys \$50K in legal expenses.
- The firm provides warranties on its products.
- The firm borrows \$60K from the bank for a 90-day period.

#### Accounting Transactions

- What business transactions are recorded in the financial accounting system?
  - Exchange of assets and liabilities with other entities
  - As opposed to "executory" transactions
    - Supplier: I will supply 5,000 units six months from now.
    - Customer: I will pay when I receive the goods
    - Exchange of promises
- How do transactions affect the accounting equation?
  - The accounting identity is always maintained

#### Joe's Landscaping Service

(1) Joe contributes \$10,000 in cash

Assets = Liabilities + Owners' Equity

CashContributed Capital

**+**\$10,000 +\$10,000

### Transactions and the Accounting Equation



Assets = Liabilities + Owners' Equity

- Cash Loans Payable
- **+**\$3,000 +\$3,000

### Transactions and the Accounting Equation



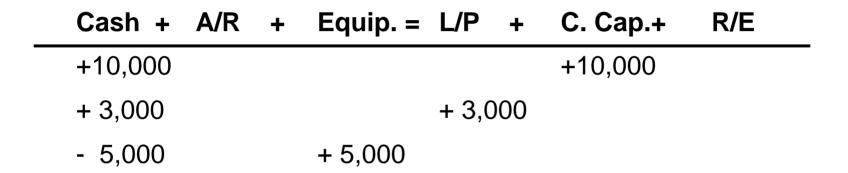


$$= L + OE$$

Cash Equipment

**- -**\$5,000 +\$5,000

### Transactions and the Accounting Equation





# (4) Company performs service for \$12,000. The customer pays \$8,000 in cash and promises to pay the balance at a later date.

- Assets = L + Owners' Equity
- Cash Receivables Retained Earnings
- **+** +\$8,000 +4,000 +\$12,000

## Transactions and the Accounting Equation

| Cash +  | A/R    | +  | Equip. = | L/P   | +  | C. Cap.+ | R/E     |
|---------|--------|----|----------|-------|----|----------|---------|
| +10,000 |        |    |          |       |    | +10,000  |         |
| + 3,000 |        |    |          | + 3,0 | 00 |          |         |
| - 5,000 |        |    | + 5,000  |       |    |          |         |
| + 8,000 | + 4,00 | 00 |          |       |    |          | +12,000 |



Assets = Liabilities + Owners' Equity

Cash

**Retained Earnings** 

**-**\$9,000

-\$9,000

## Transactions and the Accounting Equation

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| - 5,000 |       |    | + 5,000  |       |     |          |         |
| + 8,000 | + 4,0 | 00 |          |       |     |          | +12,000 |
| - 9,000 |       |    |          |       |     |          | - 9,000 |



#### (6) Company pays dividend of \$1,000

Assets = Liabilities + Owners' Equity

Cash

**Retained Earnings** 

**-**\$1,000

-\$1,000

### Transactions and the Accounting Equation

| Cash +  | A/R    | +  | Equip. = | L/P    | +  | C. Cap. + | R/E     |
|---------|--------|----|----------|--------|----|-----------|---------|
| +10,000 |        |    |          |        |    | +10,000   |         |
| + 3,000 |        |    |          | + 3,00 | 00 |           |         |
| - 5,000 |        |    | + 5,000  |        |    |           |         |
| + 8,000 | + 4,00 | OC |          |        |    |           | +12,000 |
| - 9,000 |        |    |          |        |    |           | - 9,000 |
| - 1,000 |        |    |          |        |    |           | - 1,000 |
| 6,000   | 4,0    | 00 | 5,000    | 3,00   | 00 | 10,000    | + 2,000 |

### Balance Sheet as at December 31, 1997

| Assets           | Amount   | Liabilities and<br>Owners' Equity    | Amount   |
|------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Cash             | 6,000    | Loans Payable                        | 3,000    |
| Receivables      | 4,000    | Contributed<br>Capital               | 10,000   |
| Equipment        | 5,000    | Retained<br>Earnings                 | 2,000    |
| Total<br>Assests | \$15,000 | Total Liabilities and Owners' Equity | \$15,000 |

## Transactions and Accounting Equation

| Cash +  | <b>A/</b> R + | Equip.  | =L/P +  | C. Cap. <sub>+</sub> R/E |
|---------|---------------|---------|---------|--------------------------|
| +10,000 |               |         |         | +10,000                  |
| + 3,000 |               |         | + 3,000 |                          |
| - 5,000 |               | + 5,000 |         |                          |
| + 8,000 | + 4,000       |         |         | +12,000                  |
| - 9,000 |               |         |         | - 9,000                  |
| - 1,000 |               |         |         | - 1,000                  |
| 6,000   | 4,000         | 5,000   | 3,000   | 10,000 + 2,000           |

# Income Statement For the year ended December 31, 1997

Revenues: Fees earned for service \$12,000 Expenses: Wages, interest, maintenance \$9,000

Net income \$3,000

#### Transactions and Accounting Equation

| Cash +   | A/R +   | Equip. = | = L/P | +  | C. Cap. | + R/E   |
|----------|---------|----------|-------|----|---------|---------|
| + 10,000 |         |          |       |    | +10,000 |         |
| + 3,000  |         |          | + 3,0 | 00 |         |         |
| - 5,000  |         | + 5,000  |       |    |         |         |
| + 8,000  | + 4,000 |          |       |    |         | +12,000 |
| - 9,000  |         |          |       |    |         | - 9,000 |
| - 1,000  |         |          |       |    |         | - 1,000 |
| 6,000    | 4,000   | 5,000    | 3,00  | 00 | 10,000  | + 2,000 |

### Statement of Cash Flows For the year ended December 31, 1997

To be revisited later in the course]

| 8,000  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| (9,000)                                      |                                       |
| ` <u></u>                                    | (1,000)                               |
|  | ,                                     |
| (5,000)                                      |                                       |
| `  | (5,000)                               |
|  | ,                                     |
| 3,000  |                                       |
| 10,000                                       |                                       |
| (1,000)                                      | 12,000                                |
| <u>`                                    </u> | 6,000                                 |
|  | 0                                     |
|  | 6,000                                 |
|  | (9,000)<br>(5,000)<br>3,000<br>10,000 |

#### Statement of Retained Earnings For the year ended December 31, 1997

| Beginning retained earnings balance | 0               |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Plus: Net income                    | 3,000           |
| Less: Dividend to stockholder       | 1,000           |
| Ending retained earnings balance    | \$ <b>2,000</b> |

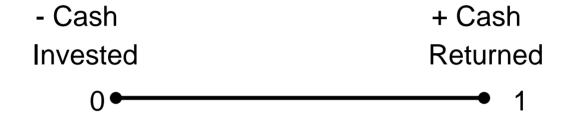
#### Summary

#### Balance sheet

- Listing of
  - Resources owned by a firm (assets or investments)
  - Financing of the assets through obligations to external parties (liabilities)
  - Financing of the investments through residual claimants (shareholders' equity)
- Preparing a balance sheet (and other financial statements) using transaction history

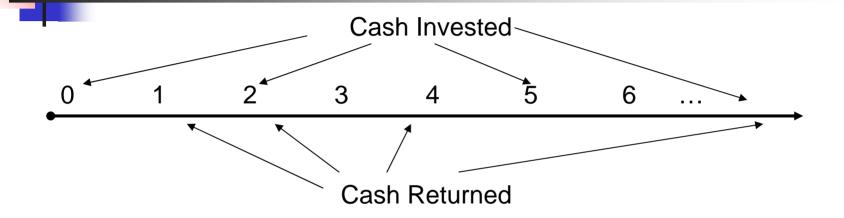


### Chapter 3: Income Statement Accounting in a "one-period" world



- Example: Shipping Expeditions in the 15th Century
- Ship sold at the end of a voyage: Finite project life
- No information flow from time ship left port until it returned
- Performance: Discounted Cash Flow (DCF)

### Accounting in a "multi-period" world



- No pre-determined end to a firm's life going concern
- Cash invested and generated at multiple points in time
- Subsequent actions affected by prior results feedback

### Principles in Preparing Financial Statements: Fiscal Period

- Artificially divide the life of an organization into annual periods for the purpose of financial reporting.
  - SEC requires quarterly reporting.
  - Internationally, trend toward quarterly reporting
- Why is there a demand for periodic performance measures?
  - Valuation
  - Evaluate management performance
    - Reward management
    - Decide whether to continue to trust the firm's assets with the current management
- Ideally, all the relevant information with respect to a firm's performance should be in the quarterly report on a timely basis. Is that the case?



 Objectivity: financial accounting information must be verifiable and reliable.

#### Conservatism

- Asymmetry in the treatment of gains and losses
- Greater degree of verification for gains than for losses
- Required by GAAP, but arose voluntarily. Why?
  - Management's incentive to report good information, hide bad information
  - Asymmetric payoff to bondholders
  - Credibility of information in valuation
- Conservatism does not suggest that financial statements should arbitrarily understate assets and overstate liabilities.

## **Income Statement: Results of Operating Performance**

- Revenues -- Sales or service revenue
- Gains -- e.g., selling an equipment for cash greater than its net book value
- Expenses -- Cost of goods sold, operating expenses, etc.
- Losses
- Other revenues and expenses
  - Interest revenue, dividend income, interest expense for a manufacturing or merchandising firm.

## Income Statement: Results of Operating Performance

- The income statement measures firm performance regardless of when cash is exchanged. Toward this end, two key principles are
- Revenue Recognition:
  - Earnings process substantially complete
  - Cash collection reasonably assured
    - Conservatism principle is applicable
- The Matching Principle for Expenses:
  - Match efforts to the benefits generated
  - Capitalize expenditures that will benefit future periods, expense as benefits are realized
  - Recognize liabilities when efforts benefiting the current period require cash payment in the future
  - Produces a difference between cash flows and earnings

- Blockbuster video buys a copy of the Matrix Reloaded video for \$20.
- Experience indicates that video will be rented:

How much should Blockbuster recognize as an expense each year?

**Estimate:** 

How much should Blockbuster recognize as an expense each year?

Year1

Year2

**Estimate:** 

50x

How much does Blockbuster recognize as an expense each year?

Yearly Expenses

\$15

\$5

<u>Year1 Year2 Year3</u> **Estimate 2:** 50% 25% 25%

<u>Year1</u> <u>Year2</u> **Estimate 2:** 50% 25%

Yearly Expenses

\$10

\$5

\$5

Year3

25%

<u>Cash</u>

Video Asset

Retained Earn.

Buy Video

<u>Cash</u> Buy Video (20) Video Asset 20

Retained Earn.

Cash

Video Asset

Retained Earn.

Buy Video (20)

20

Rent 50x @\$3each

|                      | <u>Cash</u> | Video Asset | Retained Earn. |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Buy Video            | (20)        | 20          |                |
| Rent 50x<br>@\$3each | 150         |             | 150            |

|                      | <u>Cash</u> | Video Asset | Retained Earn. |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Buy Video            | (20)        | 20          |                |
| Rent 50x<br>@\$3each | 150         |             | 150            |

End of Y1

|   |                      | <u>Cash</u> | Video Asset | Retained Earn. |
|---|----------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| ł | Buy Video            | (20)        | 20          |                |
|   | Rent 50x<br>@\$3each | 150         |             | 150            |
|   | End of Y1            |             | (15)        | (15)           |

|                      | Cash | Video Asset | Retained Earn. |
|----------------------|------|-------------|----------------|
| Buy Video            | (20) | 20          |                |
| Rent 50x<br>@\$3each | 150  |             | 150            |
| End of Y1            |      | (15)        | (15)           |
| Rent 17x             |      |             |                |
| @\$3each             |      |             |                |

|   |                      | <u>Cash</u> | <u>Video Asset</u> | Retained Earn. |
|---|----------------------|-------------|--------------------|----------------|
| ł | Buy Video            | (20)        | 20                 |                |
|   | Rent 50x<br>@\$3each | 150         |                    | 150            |
|   | End of Y1            |             | (15)               | (15)           |
|   | Rent 17x<br>@\$3each | 51          |                    | 51             |

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|---|----------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Ē | Buy Video            | (20)        | 20          |                |
|   | Rent 50x<br>@\$3each | 150         |             | 150            |
| Ì | End of Y1            |             | (15)        | (15)           |
|   | Rent 17x<br>@\$3each | 51          |             | 51             |
|   | End of Y2            |             |             |                |

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|----------------------|------|-------------|----------------|
| Buy Video            | (20) | 20          |                |
| Rent 50x<br>@\$3each | 150  |             | 150            |
| End of Y1            |      | (15)        | (15)           |
| Rent 17x<br>@\$3each | 51   |             | 51             |
| End of Y2            |      | (5)         | (5)            |

|   |                      | Cash | Video Asset | Retained Earn. |
|---|----------------------|------|-------------|----------------|
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|   | Rent 50x<br>@\$3each | 150  |             | 150            |
|   | End of Y1            |      | (15)        | (15)           |
|   | Rent 17x<br>@\$3each | 51   |             | 51             |
|   | End of Y2            |      | (5)         | (5)            |

Total video expenses = \$20

# Recording video expenses Estimate 1 and Estimate 2

Total video expenses = \$20

|                      | <u>Cash</u> | Video Asset    | Retained Earn.         |
|----------------------|-------------|----------------|------------------------|
| Buy Video            | (20)        | 20             |                        |
| Rent 50x<br>@\$3each | 150         |                | 150                    |
| End of Y1            |             | (15) (10)      | (15) <mark>(10)</mark> |
| Rent 17x<br>@\$3each | 51          |                | 51                     |
| End of Y2            |             | <b>(5) (5)</b> | <b>(5) (5)</b>         |
| End of Y3            |             | (5)            | (5)                    |
|                      |             |                |                        |

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#### What is Cost of Goods Sold?

- Q Mart buys \$10,000 worth of cereals from Special Foods for cash.
- $\blacksquare$  Assets = L + OE

- Exchange of one asset for another asset
- Operating outflow = \$10,000



#### What is Cost of Goods Sold?

- Q Mart sold one-half of the cereals for \$8,000 cash
- Assets = L + Owners' Equity

What is the most significant matching expense?

#### What is Cost of Goods Sold?

- The cost to Q Mart of buying the cereal that was sold for \$8,000
- = Cost of Goods Sold or Cost of Sales
- Assets = L + Owners' Equity



### What is Gross Profit or Margin?

- Assets = L + Owners' Equity
- Cash Inventory Retained Earnings

- Increase in retained earnings
- Gross Profit or Margin = Sales Revenue (-)
   Cost of Goods Sold =
- GM rate =

### **Components of Income**

- Sales or Service Revenue
- (-) Cost of Goods Sold
- (-) Operating Expenses
- (-) Unusual <u>or</u> Infrequent items
- (-) Income Tax Expense
- = Income from Continuing Operations (ICO)
- All items disclosed below ICO are referred to as "below the line" items.
- The below-the-line items are each shown net of income tax.

## **Components of Income - Staples**

| Sales                            | 11,596,075 |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Cost of goods sold&              |            |
| Occupancy costs                  | 08,652,593 |
| Gross Profit                     | 02,943,482 |
| Operating expenses               |            |
| Operating &selling               | 01,795,428 |
| Pre-opening                      | 00,008,746 |
| General & administrative         | 00,454,501 |
| Amortization on intangibles      | 00,002,135 |
| Amortization on goodwill         | 0          |
| Asset impairment charges         | 0          |
| Store closure charge             | 0          |
| Interest & other expenses        | 00,020,609 |
| Total operating & other expenses | 02,281,419 |
| Income before taxes              | 00,662,063 |
| Income taxes                     | 00,215,963 |
| Net income                       | 00,446,100 |
|                                  |            |



### **Components of Income**

- Income from Continuing Operations
- Discontinued Operations
  - Income or Loss from Discontinued Operations
  - Gain or Loss on Disposal of Discontinued Operations
- Extraordinary Items (Unusual and Infrequent)
- Cumulative Effect of Change in Accounting Principles

# Advantages of Income Statement Components

- Forecasting future performance
- Distinguish between core operating performance (recurring items) versus transitory components (unusual and/or infrequent items)
- Disclosure on Discontinued Operations
- An example: Firm A has two business segments, i.e., M & N.
- In 1997, A's total income was \$100,000 (M earned \$70,000 and N earned \$ 30,000)
- All numbers are assumed after tax

# Advantages of Income Statement Components

- 1997 Net Income (= ICO) = \$100,000
- In 1998, the total income was \$100,000 also.
- M earned \$90,000 income whereas N earned only \$10,000.
- On December 31, 1998, Firm A decides to discontinue the business segment N.
- It expects to lose \$15,000 by disposing off the assets of N.
- i.e., it will generate \$15,000 less cash compared to the net book value of the assets of segment N.



# Advantages of Income Statement Components

- What would Firm A disclose in its 1998 financial statements?
- Usually comparative statements are provided

1998 1997

Income from Cont. Ops. \$90,000 \$70,000

Income from Disc. Ops. 10,000 30,000

Loss on sale of Disc. Ops. (15,000)

Net Income 85,000 100,000





- Key principles underlying financial statement preparation
  - Objectivity
  - Conservatism
  - Matching
  - Revenue recognition
- Income statement
  - Preparing an income statement from transaction history
  - Presentation
  - Information in components of income