

ECE 333 Green Electric Energy

Homework 5 - Solution

P497-7.12

Option a:

$$20,000 \$ / (\text{year} \cdot \text{turbine}) \cdot 30 \text{ turbines} = 600,000 \$$$

Option b:

The estimated power factor

$$CF = 0.087\bar{V} - \frac{P_R}{D^2} = 0.087 \cdot 7 - \frac{1.6 \cdot 1000}{80^2} = 0.359$$

Including the 15% loss, those thirty 1.6-MW turbines will generate:

$$30 \cdot 1.6 \cdot 8760 \cdot 0.359 \cdot (1 - 0.15) = 128,309 \text{ MWh}$$

And the cost is

$$128,309 \text{ MWh} \cdot 1000 \text{ kWh} / \text{MWh} \cdot 0.005 \$ / \text{kWh} = 641,547 \$$$

Option c:

The array area

$$(5 \cdot 10D) \cdot (4 \cdot 3D) = 600D^2 = 3,840,000 \text{ m}^2 \approx 948 \text{ acres}$$

The buffer area

$$5D \cdot (10D + 5 \cdot 10D) \cdot 2 + 5D \cdot (4 \cdot 3D) \cdot 2 = 720D^2 = 4,608,000 \text{ m}^2 = 1138 \text{ acres}$$

Thus the total cost is

$$948 \text{ acres} \cdot 500\$ / (\text{year} \cdot \text{acres}) + 1138 \text{ acres} \cdot 100\$ / (\text{year} \cdot \text{acres}) = 582,800 \$$$

Problem 1

a. the present value of this 30-year savings:

$$P_{\text{saving}} = \sum_{t=1}^n A_t \beta^t = 0.55 \sum_{t=1}^{30} \left(\frac{1}{1+0.12} \right)^t = A\beta [1 + \beta + \beta^2 + \dots + \beta^{n-1}] = 4.43\$ / \text{ft}^2$$

thus the NPV is $4.43 - 3 = 1.43 \$ / \text{ft}^2$

b. when NPV is zero, the present value of saving is equal to the additional cost of the windows

$$P_{\text{saving}} = \sum_{t=1}^n A_t \beta^t = 0.55 \sum_{t=1}^{30} \left(\frac{1}{1+d} \right)^t = A\beta [1 + \beta + \beta^2 + \dots + \beta^{n-1}] = 3\$ / ft^2$$

Then we can solve the above equation and have **IRR=0.1821**

c. if the savings escalate at 7% per year due to fueling savings

$$d' = \frac{d-e}{1+e} = \frac{.12 - .07}{1 + .07} = \frac{.05}{1.07} = 0.046729$$

$$P_{\text{saving}} = \sum_{t=1}^n W_t \beta'^t = 0.55 \sum_{t=1}^{30} \left(\frac{1}{1+0.046729} \right)^t = 8.78\$ / ft^2$$

thus the NPV is **8.78-3=5.78 \$/ft²**

d. we have the **IRR'=0.1821** , because

$$P_{\text{saving}} = 0.55 \sum_{t=1}^{30} \left(\frac{1}{1+IRR'} \right)^t = 3\$ / ft^2$$

thus the actual **IRR** is **IRR'(1+e)+e=0.2649**, because

$$IRR' = \frac{IRR - e}{1 + e}$$

Problem 2.

a. the annual saving is:

$$0.07 \cdot 60,000 + 9 \cdot 25 \cdot 12 = 6900 \$$$

b.

$$P_{\text{saving}} = \sum_{t=1}^n A_t \beta^t = 6900 \sum_{t=1}^{30} \left(\frac{1}{1+IRR} \right)^t = 135,000 \$$$

$$IRR = 0.02993$$

c.

$$P_{\text{saving}} = \sum_{t=1}^n A_t \beta^t = 6900 \sum_{t=1}^{30} (1+0.06)^t \left(\frac{1}{1+IRR} \right)^t = 135,000 \$$$

$$IRR = 0.0917$$

Problem 3.

Annual cost is

$$A = P \frac{1 - \beta}{\beta(1 - \beta^n)} = 15,000 \frac{1 - \frac{1}{1+0.06}}{\frac{1}{1+0.06} [1 - (\frac{1}{1+0.06})^{20}]} = 1307.77\$ / year$$

Annual energy production is:

$$10 \cdot 8760 \cdot 0.25 = 21900 kWh$$

The electricity price is

$$\frac{1307.77}{21900} = 5.97cents / kWh$$

Problem 4. (skip this problem since we are not covering this problem yet)

Problem 5. A PV systems that generates 8,000 kWh/yr cost \$15,000. It is paid for with a 6%, 20-year loan. Ignoring any tax implications, what is the electricity cost from the PV systems

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The electricity price is

$$\frac{1307.77}{8000} = 16.33cents / kWh$$