3.6 Mathematics of Finance





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What you'll learn about

- Interest Compounded Annually
- Interest Compounded k Times per Year
- Interest Compounded Continuously
- Annual Percentage Yield
- Annuities Future Value
- Loans and Mortgages Present Value

... and why

The mathematics of finance is the science of letting your money work for you – valuable information indeed!

Interest Compounded Annually

If a principal P is invested at a fixed annual interest rate r, calculated at the end of each year, then the value of the investment after n years is

$$A=P(1+r)^n,$$

where r is expressed as a decimal.

Interest Compounded *k* Times per Year

Suppose a principal *P* is invested at an annual rate *r* compounded *k* times a year for *t* years. Then r/k is the interest rate per compounding period, and *kt* is the number of compounding periods. The amount

A in the account after t years is $A = P\left(1 + \frac{r}{k}\right)^{kt}$.

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Let
$$P = 400$$
, $r = 0.08$, $k = 12$, and $t = 5$,
 $A = P\left(1 + \frac{r}{k}\right)^{kt}$

$$=400\left(1+\frac{0.08}{12}\right)^{12(5)}$$

= 595.9382...

So the value of Paul's investment after 5 years is \$595.94.

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Compound Interest – Value of an Investment

Suppose a principal *P* is invested at a fixed annual interest rate *r*. The value of the investment after *t* years is

•
$$A = P\left(1 + \frac{r}{k}\right)^{kt}$$

when interest compounds

k times per year,

• $A = Pe^{rt}$ when interest compounds continuously.

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 $A = Pe^{rt}$
 $= 400e^{0.08(5)}$
 $= 596.7298...$

So Paul's investment is worth \$596.73.

Annual Percentage Yield

A common basis for comparing investments is the **annual percentage yield** (**APY**) – the percentage rate that, compounded annually, would yield the same return as the given interest rate with the given compounding period.



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Let x = the equivalent APY. The value after one year is A = 1500(1 + x).

$$1500(1+x) = 1500 \left(1 + \frac{0.0625}{12}\right)^{12}$$
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$$(1+x) = \left(1 + \frac{0.0625}{12}\right)^{12}$$
$$x = \left(1 + \frac{0.0625}{12}\right)^{12} - 1 \approx 0.0643$$

The annual percentage yield is 6.43%.

Future Value of an Annuity

The future value *FV* of an annuity consisting of *n* equal periodic payments of *R* dollars at an interest rate *i* per compounding period (payment interval) is $FV = R \frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i}.$

Present Value of an Annuity

The present value *PV* of an annuity consisting of *n* equal payments of *R* dollars at an interest rate *i* per period (payment interval) is

$$PV = R \frac{1 - (1 + i)^{-n}}{i}$$

Quick Review

- 1. Find 3.4% of 70.
- 2. What is one-third of 6.25%?
- 3. 30 is what percent of 150?
- 4. 28 is 35% of what number?
- 5. How much does Allyson have at the end of 1 year if she invests \$400 at 3% simple interest?

Quick Review Solutions

- 1. Find 3.4% of 70. 2.38
- 2. What is one-third of 6.25%? $0.0208\overline{3}$
- 3. 30 is what percent of 150? 20%
- 4. 28 is 35% of what number? 80
- 5. How much does Allyson have at the end of 1 year
- if she invests \$400 at 3% simple interest? \$412

- State whether f(x) = e^{4-x} + 2 is an exponential growth function or an exponential decay function, and describe its end behavior using limits.
 exponential decay; lim f(x) = ∞, lim f(x) = 2
- 2. Find the exponential function that satisfies the conditions: Initial height = 18 cm, doubling every 3 weeks. $f(x) = 18 \cdot 2^{x/21}$
- 3. Find the logistic function that satisfies the conditions: Initial value = 12, limit to growth = 30, passing through

(2,20).
$$f(x) \approx 30 / (1 + 1.5e^{-0.55x})$$

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4. Describe how to transform the graph of y = log₂ x into the graph of h(x) = -log₂(x-1)+2. translate right 1 unit, relect across the x-axis, translate up 2 units.
5. Solve for x : 1.05^x = 3. x ≈ 22.5171

- 6. Solve for x: $\ln(3x+4) \ln(2x+1) = 5$ $x \approx -0.4915$
- 7. Find the amount *A* accumulated after investing a principal *P* for *t* years at an interest rate *r* compounded continuously. $A = Pe^{rt}$

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- 8. The population of Preston is 89,000 and is decreasing by 1.8% each year.
- (a) Write a function that models the population as a function of time *t*.

 $P(t) = 89,000(0.982)^t$

(b) Predict when the population will be 50,000?31.74 years

- 9. The half-life of a certain substance is 1.5 sec. The initial amount of substance is S_0 grams. (a) Express the amount of substance remaining as
- a function of time $t.S(t) = S_0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t/2}$

(b) How much of the substance is left after 1.5 sec? S₀/2
(c) How much of the substance is left after 3 sec? S₀ / 4
(d) Determine S₀ if there was 1 g left after 1 min.
1,009,500 metric tons



10. If Joenita invests \$1500 into a retirement account with an 8% interest rate compounded quarterly, how long will it take this single payment to grow to \$3750?

11.57 years