

Chapter 3. ECONOMICS

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3.1 Introduction

- Basis of engineering decision

Economics

- Minimum investment cost
- Minimum total lifetime cost

Non-economic factors

- Legal concerns
- Social concerns
- Environmental concerns
- Aesthetic concerns

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3.2. Interest

- **Interest** is the rental charge of the use of money
- **Simple interest** is calculated only on the principal amount, or on the portion of the principal amount that remains.
- **Compound interest** includes interest earned on the interest which was previously accumulated.

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Example 3.1 : Simple interest, lump sum

Simple interest of 8% per year is charged on a 5-year loan of \$500. How much does the borrower pay to the lender?

(Solution)

$$\text{Annual interest} : (\$500)(0.08) = \$40$$

$$\text{Total interest} = (\text{Annual interest})(\text{year}) = (\$40)(5) = \$200$$

$$\rightarrow \text{Repayment} = \$200 + \$500 = \$700$$

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Example 3.2 : Compound interest, lump sum

What amount must be repaid on the \$500 loan in Example 3.1, if the interest of 8% is compounded annually?

(Solution)

Repayment after n year = $(\$500)(1 + i)^n$

$$i = 0.08 \quad n = 5$$

 Repayment = $\$500(1 + 0.08)^5 = \734.66

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Example 3.3 : Compounded more often than annually, lump sum

What amount must be repaid on a 5-year \$500 loan at 8% annual interest compounded quarterly?

(Solution)

$$\text{Repayment} = P\left(1 + \frac{i}{m}\right)^{m \times n}$$

$$P = \$500 \quad i = 0.08 \quad m = 4 \quad n = 5$$

$$\rightarrow \$500\left(1 + \frac{0.08}{4}\right)^{20} = \$742.97$$

$$S = P\left(1 + \frac{i}{m}\right)^{m \times n}$$

Where i = nominal annual interest rate

n = number of years

m = number of compounding periods per year

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3.5 Compound-Amount Factor (f/p) and Present-Worth Factor (p/f)

- Future worth and can be mutually converted
- **Compound amount factor** (CAF or f/p)

$$(\text{Future worth } S) = (\text{Present worth } P) \cdot (f/p) \quad \leftarrow \quad f/p = \left(1 + \frac{i}{m}\right)^{mn}$$

- **Present-worth factor** (PWF or p/f)

$$(\text{Present worth } P) = (\text{future worth } S) \cdot (p/f) \quad \leftarrow \quad p/f = \frac{1}{\left(1 + i/m\right)^{mn}}$$

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
Example 3.4 : Compound-Amount Factor (f/p)

You invest \$5000 in a credit union which compounds 5% interest quarterly. What is the value of the investment after 5 years?

(Solution)

Future worth = (present worth, p/a)(f/p), $f/p = \left(1 + \frac{i}{m}\right)^{m*n}$

$p/a = \$5000$ $i = 0.05$ $m = 4$ $n = 5$

 $\$5000\left(1 + \frac{0.05}{4}\right)^{20} = \6410

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Example 3.5 : Present-Worth Factor (p/f)

You wish to invest a sum of money so that accumulated amount will be \$10,000 12 years later. The money can be invested at 8%, compounded semiannually. What amount must be invested?

(Solution)

Present worth = (Future worth, f/a)(p/f), $p/f = \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{i}{m}\right)^{n*m}}$

$f/a = \$10,000$ $i = 0.08$ $m = 2$ $n = 12$

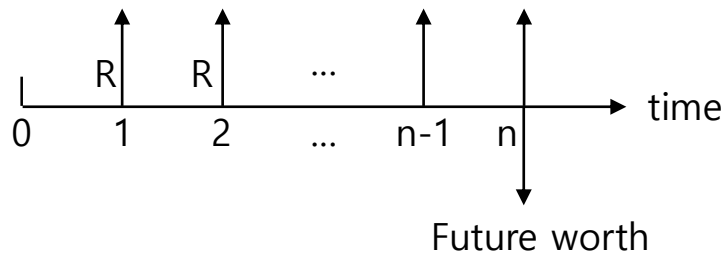
$$\rightarrow (\$10,000) * \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{0.08}{2}\right)^{24}} = \$3901.20$$

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3.6 Future worth (f/a) of a uniform series of amounts

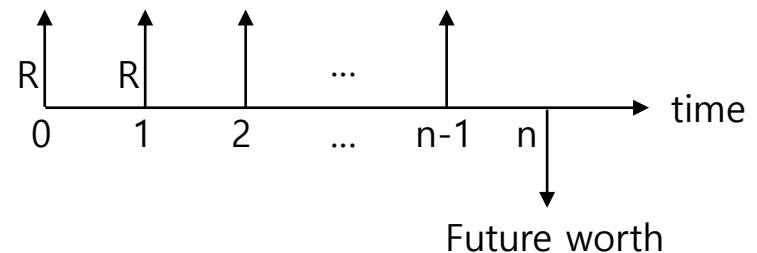
- Uniform amount is paid at each time period
- There are two types for a uniform series of amounts

$$S = R(1+i)^{n-1} + R(i+i)^{n-2} + \dots + R(1+i) + R$$



First payment at the end
of the first period

$$S = R(1+i)^n + R(i+i)^{n-1} + \dots + R(1+i)$$



First payment at the start
of the first period

- R : uniform amount at each time period
- S : Future worth

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3.6 Future worth (f/a) of a uniform series of amounts

- If first payment is at the end of the first period
- **Series compound amount factor** (SCAF or f/a)

$$(\text{Future worth } S) = (\text{Regular amount } R) \cdot (f/a) \quad \leftarrow f/a = \frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i}$$

- **Sinking fund factor** (SFF or a/f)

$$(\text{Regular amount } R) = (\text{future worth } S) \cdot (a/f) \quad \leftarrow a/f = \frac{i}{(1+i)^n - 1}$$

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Example 3.6


The management to set aside equal amounts of investment each year starting 1 year from now so that \$16,000 will be available in 10 years for the replacement of the machine. The compound interest is 8% annually. How much must be provided each year?

(Solution)

$$16000 = R[(1 + 0.08)^9 + (1 + 0.08)^8 + \dots + (1 + 0.08) + 1]$$

$$\text{interest : } i = 0.08 \quad \text{sum : } S = 16000 \quad \text{year : } n = 10$$

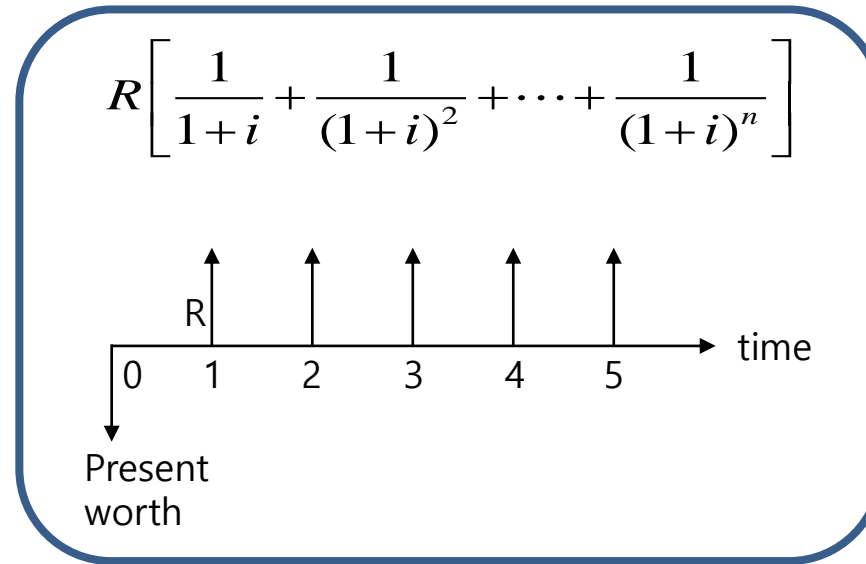
$$R = (\text{future worth})(\text{SFF}) = S \cdot a/f = S \frac{i}{(1+i)^n - 1} = 16000 \frac{0.08}{(1+0.08)^{10} - 1}$$

 $R = \$1104.5$

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3.7 Present worth (p/a) of a uniform series of amounts

- The value of a series of uniform amounts R can be translated into the present worth



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3.7 Present worth (p/a) of a uniform series of amounts

- If first payment is at the end of the first payment
- **Series present worth factor** (SPWF or p/a)

$$p/a = \frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i(1+i)^n}$$

- **Capital recovery factor** (CRF or a/p)

$$p/a = \frac{i(1+i)^n}{(1+i)^n - 1}$$

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Example 3.7 : Present worth (p/a) of a uniform series of amounts


You borrow \$1000 from a loan company that charges 15% nominal annual interest compounded monthly. How many month will it take to repay the loan if you pay off \$38 per month?

(Solution)

$$\$1000 = (\$38)(p/a) , p/a = \frac{\left(1 + \frac{i}{m}\right)^n - 1}{\frac{i}{m}\left(1 + \frac{i}{m}\right)^n}$$

$$i = 0.15 \quad m = 12$$

$$1000 = 38 * \frac{(1.0125)^n - 1}{0.0125(1.0125)^n}$$

 $n = 32.1 \text{ month}$

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3.8 Gradient present worth factor (GPWF)

- Non uniform amounts in the series (ex: maintenance cost is being increased)
- No cost during the first year
- cost G at the end of the 2nd year, and $2G$ at the end of the 3rd year...

$$\begin{aligned}(\text{Present worth } P) &= \frac{G}{(1+i)^2} + \frac{2G}{(1+i)^3} + \dots + \frac{(n-1)G}{(1+i)^n} \\ &= G \left\{ \frac{1}{i} \left[\frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i(1+i)^n} - \frac{n}{(1+i)^n} \right] \right\}\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore GPWF = \left\{ \frac{1}{i} \left[\frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i(1+i)^n} - \frac{n}{(1+i)^n} \right] \right\}$$

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3.10 Bonds

- Bond is an instrument of indebtedness of the bond issuer to the holders.
- Face value and its interest is paid by the issuers to holder.
- Interest is usually semiannual.
- It is possible to sell and buy the bond.

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3.10 Bonds

$$P_b \left(1 + \frac{i_c}{2}\right)^{2n} = FV + FV \frac{i_b}{2} \frac{(1 + i_c/2)^{2n} - 1}{i_c/2}$$

Future worth of investment

Future worth of uniform series of the **semiannual interest** payment on the bond

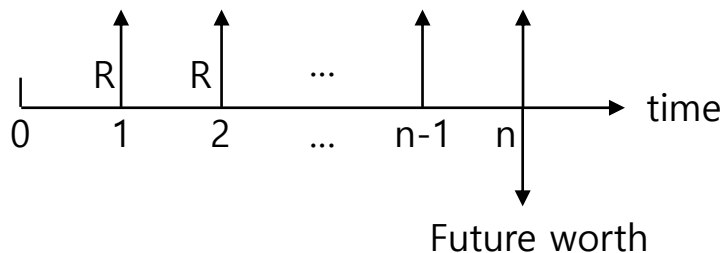
- FV : face value
- P_b : price to be paid for bond now
- i_c : current interest rate
- i_b : interest rate on bond
- n : years to maturity

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3.11 Shift in time of a series

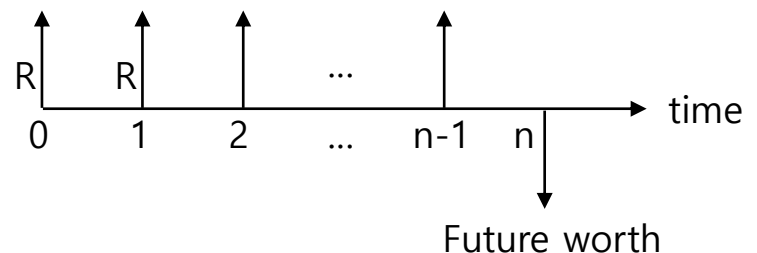
- Unlike the previous examples, first payment is at the start of the first period

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3.11 Shift in time of a series

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- **Sinking fund factor** (SFF or a/f)

$$(\text{Regular amount } R) = (\text{future worth } S) \cdot (a/f)_{\text{shift}} \leftarrow (a/f)_{\text{shift}} = \frac{i/(1+i)}{(1+i)^n - 1}$$

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Example 3.9 : Bonds

A \$1000 bond that has 10 years to maturity pays interest semiannually at a nominal annual rate of 8%. An investor wishes to earn 9% on investment. What price could investor pay for the bond to achieve this 9% interest rate?

(Solution)

$$P_b \left(1 + \frac{i_c}{2}\right)^{2n} = FV + FV \frac{i_b}{2} \frac{(1 + i_c/2)^{2n} - 1}{i_c/2}$$

$$P_b = ? \quad i_c = 0.09 \quad n = 10 \quad FV = \$1000 \quad i_b = 0.08$$



$$P_b = \$934.96$$

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3.14 Evaluating Potential Investments

- Four elements of consideration in **investment analysis**

- ① first cost
- ② Income
- ③ Operating expense
- ④ Salvage value

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Example 3.12 : Evaluating Potential Investments

You have a choice of buying building A or building B to operate the building for 5 years and then sell it. Building A's expected value is to be 20% higher in 5 years, while building B is expected to drop in value of 10% in 5 years. Other data are shown in Table below. What will be the rate of return on each building?

Economic data	Building A	Building B
First cost	\$800,000	\$600,000
Annual income from rent	160,000	155,000
Annual operating and maintenance cost	73,000	50,300
Anticipated selling price	960,000	540,000

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(Solution)

First cost = (Annual income - Annual operating and maintenance cost)(p/a)
+ (Anticipated selling price)(p/f)

$$\textit{Recall} \quad p/a = \frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i(1+i)^n} \quad p/f = \frac{1}{(1+i)^n}$$

$$\text{Building A : } 800,000 = (160,000 - 73,000) \left(\frac{(1+i)^5 - 1}{i(1+i)^5} \right) + (960,000) \left(\frac{1}{(1+i)^5} \right)$$

$$\text{Building B : } 600,000 = (155,000 - 50,300) \left(\frac{(1+i)^5 - 1}{i(1+i)^5} \right) + (540,000) \left(\frac{1}{(1+i)^5} \right)$$



$$i = \begin{cases} 13.9\% & \text{building A} \\ 16.0\% & \text{building B} \end{cases}$$

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3.18 Continuous compounding

- High frequency of compounding is quite realistic in business operation.
- Businesses control their money more on a flow basis than on a batch basis.

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3.18 Continuous compounding

if m approaches infinity,

$$f/p = \left(1 + \frac{i}{m}\right)^{mn} \qquad (f/p)_{const} = \left(1 + \frac{i}{m}\right)^{mn} \Big|_{m \rightarrow \infty}$$

by taking the logarithm and using Taylor expansion,

$$\ln((f/p)_{const}) = mn \left[\ln\left(1 + \frac{i}{m}\right) \right] \Big|_{m \rightarrow \infty} = mn \left[0 + \frac{i}{m} + a_2 \frac{i^2}{m^2} \right] \Big|_{m \rightarrow \infty}$$

canceling m and letting m approaches infinity,

$$\ln((f/p)_{const}) = in \quad \longrightarrow \quad (f/p)_{const} = e^{in}$$

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Example 3.13 : Continuous compounding

Compare the values of $(f/p, 8\%, 10)$ and $[(f/p)_{cont}, 8\%, 10]$

(Solution)

$$(f/p, 8\%, 10) = (1 + 0.08)^{10} = 2.1589$$

$$[(f/p)_{cont}, 8\%, 10] = e^{0.8} = 2.2255$$