

6.7 Financial Models

Compound Interest Formula:

$$A = P \cdot \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{(n \cdot t)}$$

A = ending amount

P = principal amount

r = rate (must be a decimal)

n = number of times compounded

t = time in yrs.

ex. 2) invest \$1000 at an annual rate of 10%
compounded _____ after 1 year.

(a) compounded semiannually :

$$A = 1000 \left(1 + \frac{.10}{2}\right)^{(2 \cdot 1)}$$

$$= \boxed{\$1102.50}$$

P = 1000

r = .10

n = 2

t = 1

(b) compounded monthly :

$$A = 1000 \left(1 + \frac{.10}{12}\right)^{(12 \cdot 1)}$$

$$= \boxed{\$1104.71}$$

P = 1000

r = .10

n = 12

t = 1

Continuous Compounding Formula:

$$A = P e^{r \cdot t}$$

A = ending amount

P = principal amount

e = #e (2.71828)

r = rate

t = time in yrs.

ex. 3) invest \$1000 at a rate of 10% compounded
continuously for a time of 1 yr.

P = 1000

r = .10

t = 1

$$A = 1000 e^{(.10 \cdot 1)} = \boxed{\$1105.17}$$

Effective Rate of Interest Formula:

compounding n times per yr. : $r_e = \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^n - 1$

continuous compounding: $r_e = e^r - 1$

ex. 4) You buy a 5yr CD. You visit 3 banks to determine their rates.

American Express: 2.15% annual int. comp. monthly

First Bank: 2.20% compounded quarterly

Discover: 2.12% compounded daily

which bank has the best deal?

Best deal = highest effective interest rate

American Express

$$r_e = \left(1 + \frac{0.0215}{12}\right)^{12} - 1$$

$$\approx 1.02171 - 1$$

$$= 0.02171$$

$$= 2.171\%$$

First Bank

$$r_e = \left(1 + \frac{0.022}{4}\right)^4 - 1$$

$$\approx 1.02218 - 1$$

$$= 0.02218$$

$$= 2.218\%$$

Discover

$$r_e = \left(1 + \frac{0.0212}{365}\right)^{365} - 1$$

$$\approx 1.02143 - 1$$

$$= 0.02143$$

$$= 2.143\%$$

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highest, so First Bank is best deal

Present Value Formula:

$$P = A \cdot \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{-nt}$$

$$P = A e^{-rt}$$

(How much will you need to invest to receive A dollars after t yrs)

ex. 5) A zero-coupon bond can be redeemed in 10 yrs for \$1000. How much should you be willing to pay for it now if you want a return of 8% compounded monthly?

$$A = 1000$$

$$n = 12$$

$$r = 0.08$$

$$t = 10$$

$$P = 1000 \cdot \left(1 + \frac{0.08}{12}\right)^{(-12 \cdot 10)}$$

$$= \$450.52$$

ex. 6) What interest rate (compounded annually) is needed in order to double an investment in 5 yrs?

$$A = 2P$$

$$n = 1$$

$$t = 5$$

$$2P = P \cdot \left(1 + \frac{r}{1}\right)^{(5 \cdot 1)}$$

$$\frac{2P}{P} = \frac{P}{P} (1+r)^5$$

$$\sqrt[5]{2} = \sqrt[5]{(1+r)^5}$$

$$\sqrt[5]{2} = 1+r$$

$$-1 \quad -1$$

$$r = \sqrt[5]{2} - 1 \approx 1.148698 - 1 = 0.148698$$

rate would need to be 14.87%

ex. 7) How long will it take to triple an investment if it earns 5% compounded continuously?

$$A = 3P$$

$$r = 0.05$$

$$3P = P e^{ert}$$

$$\frac{3P}{P} = \frac{P}{P} e^{0.05t}$$

$$3 = e^{0.05t}$$

$$\frac{\ln(3)}{0.05} = \frac{0.05t}{0.05}$$

$$t = \frac{\ln(3)}{0.05} \approx 21.97$$

It will take about 22 yrs