

Compound Interest

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Compound Interest:

- *Compound interest* is a type of interest where after a defined period of time the initial principal along with the interest is reinvested. The process of reinvesting is called *compounding*.
- **Example:** (Compound interest) What is the future value of \$1 000 at 10% compounded yearly for 3 years.

Year	Principal	Interest	Future Value
1	\$1 000	\$100	\$1 100
2	\$1 100	\$110	\$1 210
3	\$1 210	\$121	\$1 331

- **Example:** (Simple interest) What is the future value of \$1 000 at 10% for 3 years.

$$\begin{aligned} S &= P(1 + rt) \\ &= 1000(1 + 0.1(3)) \\ &= \$1300 \end{aligned}$$

Compound Interest: Future Value

- The future value formula for compound interest is given by

$$FV = PV(1 + i)^n$$

where FV is the future value, PV is the principal value (or present value), i the *periodic rate of interest*, n is the number of compounding period.

- The value for i and n can be determined by the two following formula.

$$\begin{aligned} i &= \frac{j}{m} \\ n &= tm \end{aligned}$$

where j is the *nominal interest rate* (i.e. interest rate per year), m is the number of compounding per year, t is the length of the term of investment or loan (the unit being years).

Compound Interest: Future Value

- **Compounding Frequency Table:**

Compounding Frequency	Lenght of Com-pounding Period	<i>m</i>
Annually	12 months	1
Semi-Annually	6 months	2
Quarterly	3 months	4
Monthly	1 month	12
Daily	1 day	365

Compound Interest: Future Value: Example

- What is the future value of \$8 000 invested at 3.75% per annum, compounded daily for 3 years?

$$\begin{aligned}n &= mt \\&= 365(3) \\&= 1095\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}i &= \frac{j}{m} \\&= \frac{0.0375}{365} \\&= 0.000102739\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}FV &= PV(1 + i)^n \\&= 8000(1 + 0.000102739)^{1095} \\&= \$8952.53\end{aligned}$$

Compound Interest: Future Value: Example:

- Find the accumulated value of \$2 593.23 invested for $2\frac{1}{3}$ years at a nominal rate of 6% compounded quarterly?

$$\begin{aligned}n &= mt \\&= 4 \left(2\frac{1}{3} \right) \\&= 9\frac{1}{3} \\&= \frac{28}{3}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}i &= \frac{j}{m} \\&= \frac{0.06}{4} \\&= 0.015\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}FV &= PV(1+i)^n \\&= 2593.23(1+0.015)^{\frac{28}{3}} \\&= \$2979.83\end{aligned}$$

Compound Interest: Present Value

- *Present value* is the required principal needed to obtain a future value. The equation is obtained from the future value equation $FV = PV(1 + i)^n$ by isolating PV :

$$\begin{aligned}PV &= \frac{FV}{(1 + i)^n} \\PV &= FV(1 + i)^{-n}\end{aligned}$$

- **Example:** What principal is required to obtain a future value of \$1 520 at a nominal rate of 5% compounded monthly for 13 months?

$$n = mt = 12 \left(\frac{13}{12} \right) = 13$$

$$i = \frac{j}{m} = \frac{0.05}{12} = 0.004166666$$

$$\begin{aligned}PV &= FV(1 + i)^{-n} \\&= 1520(1 + 0.004166666)^{-13} \\&= \$1440.02\end{aligned}$$

Compound Interest: Present Value: Example

- Sasha wants to have \$25 000 in ten and a half years. If he can invest into an account with a nominal rate of 3.75% compounded annually, how much does Sasha need to invest now?

$$\begin{aligned}n &= mt \\&= 1 \left(10\frac{1}{2}\right) \\&= \frac{21}{2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}i &= \frac{j}{m} \\&= \frac{0.0375}{1} \\&= 0.0375\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}PV &= FV(1+i)^{-n} \\&= 25000(1+0.0375)^{-\frac{21}{2}} \\&= \$16\,984.97\end{aligned}$$

Compound Interest: Effective Interest Rates

- *Effective rate of interest* is the equivalent interest rate which compounded annually will result in the same amount of interest as a nominal interest rate compounded more than once.
- It is used to compare different nominal interest rates with different compounding period (i.e. m).
- Let f be the effective rate of interest. The formula for f is obtained by letting the future value of PV at a rate of f compounded annually for a year equal the future value of PV at a periodic interest rate of i compounded $m > 1$ times.

$$\begin{aligned}PV(1 + f)^1 &= PV(1 + i)^m \\1 + f &= (1 + i)^m \\f &= (1 + i)^m - 1\end{aligned}$$

Compound Interest: Effective Interest Rates: Example

- Find the effective rate of interest of 7% compounded:
a) quarterly b) monthly c) daily.

$$\begin{aligned}f &= (1 + i)^m - 1 \\&= \left(1 + \frac{7\%}{4}\right)^4 - 1 \\&= 7.19\%\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f &= (1 + i)^m - 1 \\&= \left(1 + \frac{7\%}{12}\right)^{12} - 1 \\&= 7.23\%\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}f &= (1 + i)^m - 1 \\&= \left(1 + \frac{7\%}{365}\right)^{365} - 1 \\&= 7.25\%\end{aligned}$$

Compound Interest: Effective Interest Rates: Example

- If \$2 000 accumulates to \$2 374.32 in three and a quarter years, what is the effective annual rate?

$$\begin{aligned}PV(1 + f)^t &= PV(1 + i)^{mt} \\2000(1 + f)^{13/4} &= 2374.32 \\(1 + f)^{13/4} &= 1.18716 \\(1 + f)^{13/4} &= 1.18716 \\1 + f &= (1.18716)^{4/13} \\f &= (1.18716)^{4/13} - 1 \\f &= 5.4\%\end{aligned}$$