

103 Section 3.1, 3.2:

Math of Finance continued

- simple interest
- compound interest
- continuous compounded interest

Three ways to compute future value

Simple interest $A = P(1 + rt)$

Compound interest $A = P(1 + i)^n$

Continuous compounded interest $A = Pe^{rt}$

Continuous compounded interest

Example: You deposit \$1000 into an account earning 12% for 10 years. The table shows the future value for various compounding periods:

periods per year	future value	= \$
1 yearly	$1000(1.12)^{10}$	= \$3105.85
2 semiannually	$1000(1.06)^{20}$	= \$3207.14
4 quarterly	$1000(1.03)^{40}$	= \$3262.04
12 monthly	$1000(1.01)^{120}$	= \$3300.39
365 daily	$1000(1 + .12/365)^{3650}$	= \$3319.46

Is there any limit to how large the future value can be?

Yes, the largest future value from more frequent compounding is \$3320.12.

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Continuous compounded interest

Formula for continuous compounded interest:

$$A = Pe^{rt}$$

r is the annual rate

t is the number of years.

For a rate of 12% for 10 years, the formula gives

$$1000e^{.12 \times 10} = 1000e^{1.20} = 3320.12.$$

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$$A = Pe^{rt}$$

Problem: You deposit \$12,000 into an account earning 10% compounded continuously. How much will you have at the end of 25 years?

Problem: You deposit \$650 into an account earning 4% compounded continuously. How much will you have at the end of 11 years?

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Comparisons

Compound interest $A = P(1 + i)^n$

Continuous compounded interest $A = Pe^{rt}$

Problem: You deposit \$800 into an account earning 9% interest for 6 years. What is the future value if

- interest is compounded quarterly?
- continuously?
- Which is better?

a.

b.

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Finding present value given future value

Example: How much money do you have to invest to have \$100,000 in 10 years? The rate is 8% compounded continuously:

In this problem we use $A = Pe^{rt}$ with $r = .08$ and $t = 10$. We know $A = 100,000$ (future value) and want to know P (present value).

$$100,000 = Pe^{.08 \times 10} = Pe^{.8} = P \times 2.225541$$

So

$$P = \frac{100,000}{2.225541} = 44932.90$$

Summary: To have a future value of \$100,000 in 10 years, you must invest \$44,932.90.

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Finding present value given future value

Example: How much money do you have to invest to have \$45,200 in 5 years? The rate is 6% compounded monthly:

In this problem we use $A = P(1 + i)^n$ with

$r =$

$t =$

$A =$ (future value)

Summary:

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Finding present value given future value

Example: How much money do you have to invest to have \$5,100 in 12 years? The rate is 7.5% compounded quarterly:

In this problem we use $A = P(1 + i)^n$ with

$r =$

$t =$

$A =$ (future value)

Summary:

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Finding present value given future value

Example: How much money do you have to invest to have \$140,000 in 15 years? The rate is 6% compounded continuously:

In this problem we use $A = Pe^{rt}$ with

$r =$

$t =$

$A =$ (future value)

Summary:

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More comparisons

Problem: You are going to invest some money for two years. Bank A offers to give 5% interest for the first year and 15% interest for the second year. Bank B offers to give 10% interest compounded yearly.

Which is better?

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More comparisons

Problem: You are going to invest some money for one year. Bank A offers to give 6.2% interest compounded annually. Bank B offers to give 6.1% interest compounded monthly.

Which is better?

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The exponential curve

You deposit \$1.00 earning 8% interest compounded continuously for t years. So the amount $A(t)$ you have is a function of the time t the money earns interest.

$$A(t) = (1.00)e^{.08t} = e^{.08t}$$

