

Closing Tues: 6.1

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Unless otherwise stated, always assume interest is compounded.

6.2 Compound Interest

Recall: We say interest is **compounding** if it is computed on the *entire* balance.

And we found

$$F = P(1 + i)^n$$

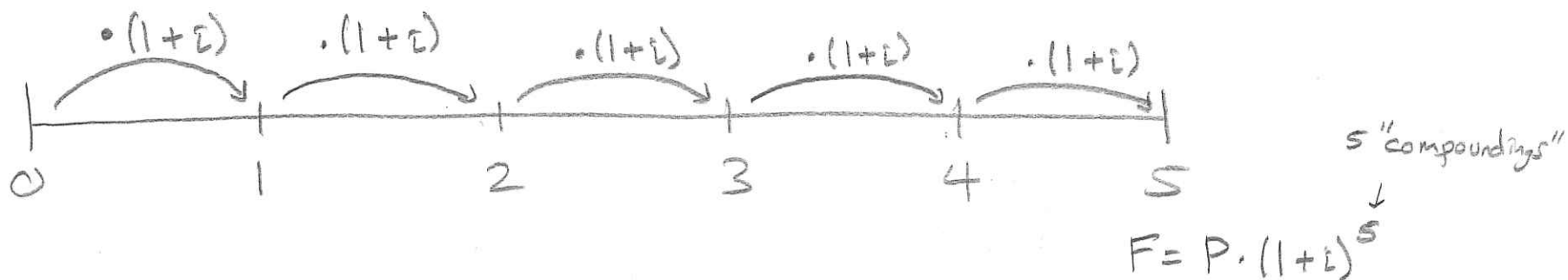
where

i = decimal interest rate

n = number of compoundings

That is, only use *simple interest* if you are doing the 6.1 HW or if the problem says "simple interest".

All other times assume compounding!



Bank terminology: Bank account info is given as a yearly rate divided up and used m times per year...

r = decimal interest rate,

m = "compoundings per year"

$i = r/m$ = rate used each compounding

t = years

$n = mt$ = "total compoundings"

And the formula becomes

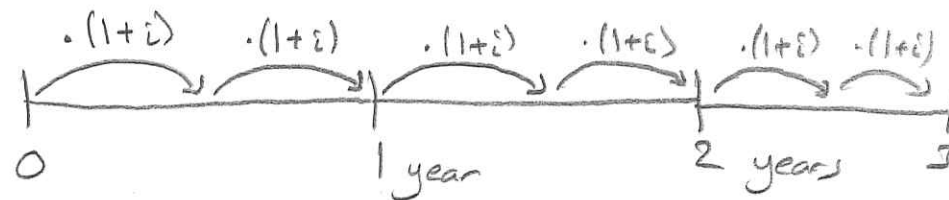
$$F = P(1 + i)^n = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{m} \right)^{mt}$$

Ex) 6% annual rate, compounded semi-annually (TWICE per year)

$$r = 0.06$$

$$m = 2$$

$$i = \frac{r}{m} = \frac{0.06}{2} = 0.03 \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 3\% \text{ , USED TWICE PER YEAR} \end{array} \right.$$



In $t=3$ years, there will be

$$n = mt = 2 \cdot 3 = 6 \text{ Compoundings}$$

$$F = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{m} \right)^{mt}$$

$$F = P \left(1 + \frac{0.06}{2} \right)^{2t}$$

Examples

“6% per year” means *compounding*
once a year ($r=0.06, m=1$)

$$F = P \left(1 + \frac{0.06}{1} \right)^{1 \cdot t} = P (1.06)^t$$

“6% rate, compounded semiannually”
means “6/2 = 3%, twice a year”

($r=0.06, m=2$)

$$F = P \left(1 + \frac{0.06}{2} \right)^{2t} = P (1.03)^{2t}$$

“8% rate, compounded quarterly” means
“8/4 = 2%, 4 times a year”

($r=0.08, m=4$)

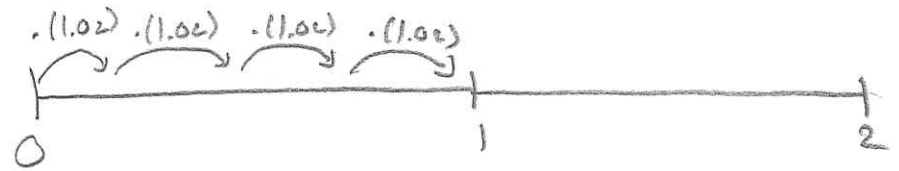
$$F = P \left(1 + \frac{0.08}{4} \right)^{4t} = P (1.02)^{4t}$$

“5% rate, compounded monthly” means

“5/12 = 0.4166...%, 12 times a year”

($r=0.05, m=12$)

$$F = P \left(1 + \frac{0.05}{12} \right)^{12t} = P (1.0041\bar{6})^{12t}$$



Quick Examples:

(a) Harry invests \$5000 in an account earning 5% per year. What is the balance in 20 years?

means compounded annually, $m=1$

$$r=0.05, m=1, P=\$5000, t=20, F=?$$

$$F = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{mt}$$

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

$$= 5000 (1.05)^{20}$$

$$\approx 13266.4885$$

$$\boxed{\$13,266.49}$$

$$\text{INTEREST} = 13266.49 - 5000$$

$$= \$8266.49$$

(b) Ron invests \$5000 in an account earning 5% annually, compounded quarterly. What is the balance in 20 years?

$$r=0.05, m=4, P=\$5000, t=20, F=?$$

$$F = P \left(1 + \frac{0.05}{4}\right)^{4t}$$

$$= P (1.0125)^{4t}$$

$$F = 5000 (1.0125)^{4(20)}$$

$$\approx 13507.4247$$

MORE
COMPOUNDING,
HIGHER
AMOUNT



$$\boxed{\$13,507.42}$$

$$\text{INTEREST} = 13507.42 - 5000$$

$$= \$8507.42$$

Continuous Compounding

Assume you invest \$5000 and $r = 0.03$.

$$F = 5000 \left(1 + \frac{0.03}{m} \right)^{m t}$$

<i>compounding</i>	<i>m</i>	Balance in one yr.
semi-annual	2	\$5151.13
quarterly	4	\$5151.70
monthly	12	\$5152.08
daily	365	\$5152.266
hourly	87605	\$5152.27241
every minute	525600	\$5152.27267
every second	3153600	\$5152.27267

ASIDE

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{r}{m} \right)^m = (2.71828182\dots)^r$$

SUMMARY

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} F = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{m} \right)^{m t} \\ F = P e^{r t} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{TWO} \\ \text{TYPES} \\ \text{OF} \\ \text{COMPOUNDING} \\ \text{ACCOUNTS} \end{array}$$

The value this is approaching is called the value from **continuous compounding**. And it is also given by

$$F = P e^{r t}$$

$$F = 5000 e^{0.03(1)} \approx \$5152.27267$$

Quick Examples:

- (a) How much must you invest at 8%, compounded monthly in order to have \$10,000 in 5 years?

$$r = 0.08, m = 12, P = ?, F = 10,000, t = 5$$

$$F = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{mt}$$

$$10000 = P \left(1 + \frac{0.08}{12}\right)^{12(5)}$$

$$10000 = P \cdot (1.00\bar{6})^{60}$$

$$10000 = P \cdot 1.489845709\dots$$

$$\Rightarrow P = \frac{10000}{1.489845709}$$

$$\approx \boxed{\$6712.10}$$

- (b) You invest \$500 in an account earning 3%, compounded quarterly. How long until you have \$5000?

$$r = 0.03, m = 4, P = 500, F = 5000, t = ??$$

$$F = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{mt}$$

$$5000 = 500 \left(1 + \frac{0.03}{4}\right)^{4t}$$

$$10 = (1.0075)^{4t}$$

$\div 500$

$$\ln(10) = \ln(1.0075^{4t})$$

$$\ln(10) = 4t \ln(1.0075)$$

Big rule!

$$\ln(A^B) = B \ln(A)$$

$$t = \frac{\ln(10)}{4 \ln(1.0075)}$$

$$\approx \boxed{77.0403 \text{ years}}$$

- (c) You invest \$75 in an account where interest is computed semi-annually. After 7 years, the balance is \$210. What is the nominal rate, r ?

$$r = ?, m = 2, P = 75, F = 210, t = 7$$

$$F = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{mt}$$

$$210 = 75 \left(1 + \frac{r}{2}\right)^{2 \cdot 7}$$

$$2.8 = \left(1 + \frac{r}{2}\right)^{14}$$

$$\underbrace{2.8}^{1/14} = 1 + \frac{r}{2}$$

$$1.076316156 \approx 1 + \frac{r}{2} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{)} \\ \text{)} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \div 75 \\ \text{14th} \\ \text{root} \end{array}$$

$$0.076316156 \approx \frac{r}{2} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{)} \\ \text{)} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} -1 \\ \cdot 2 \end{array}$$

$$r \approx 0.152632312$$

$$\boxed{\approx 15.26\%}$$

- (d) You place 1000 into an account that pays 4%, compounded continuously. How long does it take to double your money?

$$r = 0.04, P = 1000, F = \text{DOUBLE START}, t = ?$$

$$F = P e^{rt}$$

$$2000 = 1000 e^{0.04t}$$

$$2 = e^{0.04t}$$

$$\ln(2) = \ln(e^{0.04t})$$

$$\ln(2) = 0.04t \underbrace{\ln(e)}_1$$

$$t = \frac{\ln(2)}{0.04} \approx \frac{0.69314718}{0.04}$$

$$\boxed{\approx 17.3287 \text{ years}}$$

$$\boxed{\text{ASIDE}} \quad \frac{0.69314}{0.04} = \frac{69.314}{4}$$

ROUGH WAY SOME FINANCE FOLK ESTIMATE IN THEIR HEAD

"RULE OF 70 ESTIMATE"

TIME TO DOUBLE MONEY $\approx \frac{70}{\text{RATE}}$

Summary of 6.2

For ALL problems in chapter 6:

1. Identify the type of account.
2. Input given facts.
3. Solve for the unknown.

Algebra Notes:

$$F = P(1 + i)^n = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{m} \right)^{mt}$$

To solve for P , you just divide.

To solve for r , a root will be needed.

To solve for t , a $\ln()$ will be needed.

$$F = Pe^{rt}$$

To solve for P , you just divide.

To solve for r , a $\ln()$ will be needed.

To solve for t , a $\ln()$ will be needed.

Question:

Which is best?

A: 4%, compounded semi-annually

B: 3.97%, compounded monthly

C: 3.955%, compounded continuously

$$APY = \left[\left(1 + \frac{0.04}{2} \right)^2 - 1 \right] \times 100 = 4.04 \%$$

$$APY = \left[\left(1 + \frac{0.0397}{12} \right)^{12} - 1 \right] \times 100 = 4.04304 \%$$

$$APY = \left[e^{0.03955} - 1 \right] \times 100 = 4.03425 \%$$

Compute the APY for each & compare!

B IS BEST!

$$APY = \left[\left(1 + \frac{r}{m} \right)^{m(1)} - 1 \right] \cdot 100 \%$$

$$APY = \left[e^{r(1)} - 1 \right] \cdot 100 \%$$

Explaining

Annual Percentage Yield (APY) is the actual percentage change in ***one year***.

We get APY by plugging in $t = 1$ year and turning the value into a percentage.

For example, for Account C, if we plug in $t = 1$ year we get:

$$F = Pe^{0.03955(1)} \approx P \cdot 1.0403425$$

This is the same as

multiplying by 104.03425% which is the same as *increasing* by 4.03425%.

$$(e^{0.03955} - 1) \cdot 100$$

We say 4.03425% is the APY.

This is exactly what you are doing in the APY formulas.