

Simple and Compound Interest

Simple Interest

- add same interest every period
- · arithmetic sequence
- balance is the sum
- *P* = principal = start value
- Pr = principal times interest rate

$S = P + \Pr(t)$

$$S = P(1 + rt)$$

P = principal

- r = annual interest rate
- t = number of years
- S = future account value

Compound Interest

- multiply by same rate every period
- geometric sequence
- balance is the sum
- *P* = Principal = start value
 (*l*+*r*) = factor that's multiplied by principal every year

$$S = P(1+r)^{t}$$

If we compound *n* times per year,

$$S = P\left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)$$

Continuous compounding

 $S = Pe^{rt}$

Ex 1: If \$10,000 is invested for four years at an annual rate of 8%, how much will the account be worth at the end of four years? a) simple interest b) compounded once a year

Ex 2: What is an account worth in 8 years if we started with \$3000 and we got continuous compounding at a rate of 6%?

	balance after 5 years	how long to double investment
simple interest		
compound interest, $n = 1$		
compound interest, $n = 12$		

Ex 3: If \$1000 is invested at 5% annual interest rate, compute these.

Ex 4: What amount must be invested now in order to have \$1,000,000 for retirement in 45 years if money is compounded quarterly at 9%?

APY (Annual Percentage Yield)

Let P = \$100 be invested at 8% interest compounded as given in (a) and (b). What is the account worth after one year?

a) quarterly b) monthly



 $APY = e^r - 1$

(continuous compounding)

Ex 5: Which is a better investment deal? a) 10% compounded annually

b) 9.8% compounded quarterly

c) 9.65% compounded continuously