

May 2001. Course 2.

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31. You are given the following information about an investment account:

Date	Value Immediately Before Deposit	Deposit
January 1	10	
July 1	12	X
December 31	X	

Over the year, the time-weighted return is 0%, and the dollar-weighted return is $x\%$.

Calculate $x\%$.

(A) -25%

(B) -10%

(C) 0%

(D) 10%

(E) 25%

A... initial amt

C... contribution

B... the final balance

$$A + I + C = B$$

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interest

$$A = 10$$

$$C = X$$

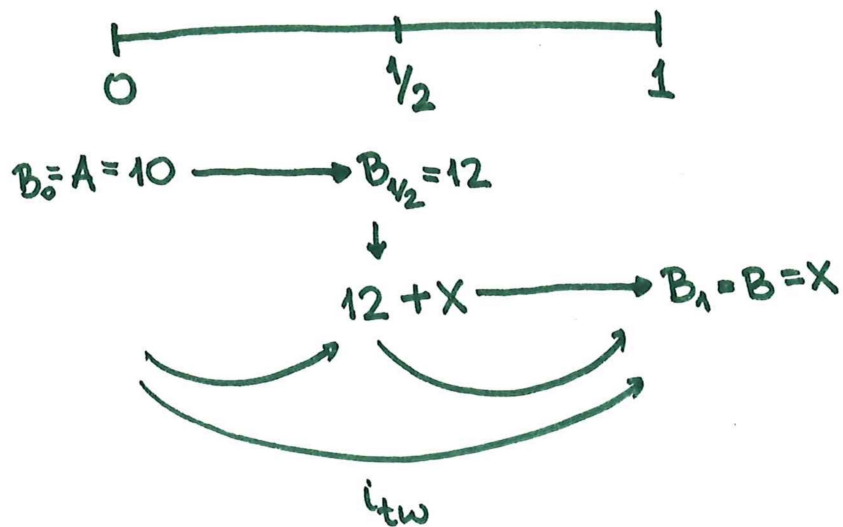
$$B = X$$

$$I = B - A - C = X - 10 - X = -10$$

$$y = \frac{I}{A(1) + X(\frac{1}{2})} = \frac{-10}{10 + X(\frac{1}{2})}$$

We get the unknown X from the time-weighted return $i_{tw} = 0$.

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$$1 + i_{tw} = \frac{12}{10} \cdot \frac{X}{12 + X} = 1$$

$$12X = 10(12 + X)$$

$$12X = 120 + 10X$$

$$2X = 120$$

$$\boxed{X = 60}$$

$$y_{dw} = \frac{-10}{10 + 60(\frac{1}{2})} = -\frac{10}{40} = -0.25$$

Problem. Tony just won the actuarial lottery.

He is given the following three payout options:

- (i) \$575,000 payable 6 months from today;
- (ii) \$300,000 today plus an additional \$300,000 payable two years from today;
- (iii) \$20,000 paid @ the beginning of each six month period forever w/ 1st payment today.

Assume $i^{(2)} = 0.08$

Find the option w/ the highest net present value.

→: j ... the effective half-year interest rate

$$\Rightarrow j = 0.04$$

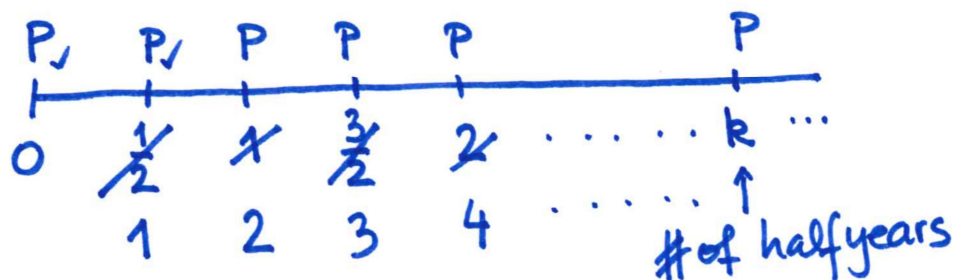
$\Rightarrow$ the discount factor per half-year period

$$v_j = \frac{1}{1+j} = \frac{1}{1.04}$$

$$(i) \quad 575,000 \cdot v_j = 552,884.62.$$

$$(ii) \quad 300,000 + 300,000 \cdot v_j^4 = 556,441.26$$

$$(iii) \quad \text{Set } P = 20,000$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 NPV(iii) &= P + P \cdot v_j^1 + P \cdot v_j^2 + \dots + P \cdot v_j^k + \dots \\
 &= P(1 + v_j + v_j^2 + \dots + v_j^k + \dots) \\
 &= P \cdot \left(\frac{1}{1 - v_j} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Sum of a
geometric
series
 $|v_j| < 1$
 $\Downarrow$
converges

$$\frac{1}{1 - v_j} = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{1+j}} = \frac{1}{\frac{1+j-1}{1+j}} = \frac{1+j}{j}$$

$\Rightarrow$ In our problem:

$$NPV(iii) = 20,000 \cdot \frac{1.04}{0.04} = 520,000$$

We would choose (ii).