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Theory of Interest 62-392 Test 1 M. Hlynka  
Tuesday, February 10, 2009. Time allowed:75 minutes. Calculators  
encouraged.

Directions: You will be graded on your completeness as well as your correctness.  
You must show your work!

1. (MH) How long does it take for a fund to grow to two/three/four times its original value if growing at an annual rate of 7%?

(a) 7 (b) 10 (c) 16 (d) 20 (e) 28

SOLUTION:

$1.07^n = 2$  so  $n \ln(1.07) = \ln(2)$  so  $n = \ln(2)/\ln(1.07) = 10.24477$  years.

$1.07^n = 3$  so  $n \ln(1.07) = \ln(3)$  so  $n = \ln(3)/\ln(1.07) = 16.23757$  years.

$1.07^n = 4$  so  $n \ln(1.07) = \ln(4)$  so  $n = \ln(4)/\ln(1.07) = 20.48954$  years.

2. (Exercise 1.7.6, 4th ed. Broverman, MH notes)

The nation of F has a unit of currency called the F. In the coming year in F, inflation is expected to be huge, 100%. Canada's expected inflation rate for the same year is 14%. An investor in Canada can make an interest rate of 18%. What must be the interest rate in F to be equivalent to the rate in Canada.

SOLUTION:

We want the real rates in both countries to be the same.

For Canada,  $i = .18, r = .14$ . Thus,

$$i_{real} = \frac{i - r}{1 + r} = \frac{.18 - .14}{1 + .14}$$

For F, we want the same real interest rate and  $r = 1.0$ . We need to find  $i$  for F. Thus

$$\frac{.18 - .14}{1 + .14} = \frac{i - r}{1 + r} = \frac{i - 1}{1 + 1}$$

Solving for  $i$  gives  $i = 1.070175 = 107.0175\%$ .

3. (May, 2003 #8) Kathryn deposits 100 into an account at the beginning of each 4-year period for 40 years. The account credits interest at an annual effective interest rate of  $i$ . The accumulated amount in the account at the end of 40 years is X, which is 5 times the accumulated amount in the account at the end of 20 years. Calculate X.

(A) 4695 (B) 5070 (C) 5445 (D) 5820 (E) 6195

SOLUTION: SOLUTION:

$$X = 100[(1+i)^{40} + (1+i)^{36} + \dots + (1+i)^4] = \frac{100 * (1+i)^4 * (1 - (1+i)^{40})}{1 - (1+i)^4}.$$

$$Y = A(20) = 100[(1+i)^{20} + (1+i)^{16} + \dots + (1+i)^4] = \frac{100 * (1+i)^4 * (1 - (1+i)^{20})}{1 - (1+i)^4}.$$

Using  $X = 5Y$  and using a difference of squares on the left side gives  $1 + (1+i)^{20} = 5$  so  $(1+i)^{20} = 4$  so  $(1+i)^4 = 4^{.2} = 1.319508$ .

$$\text{Hence } X = \frac{100 * (1+i)^4 * (1 - (1+i)^{40})}{1 - (1+i)^4} = \frac{100 * 1.3195 * (1 - 4^2)}{1 - 1.3195} = 6194.84$$

Answer is E.

4. (May 2003, #50) Jeff deposits 10 into a fund today and 20 fifteen years later. Interest is credited at a nominal discount rate of  $d$  compounded quarterly for the first 10 years, and at a nominal interest rate of 6% compounded semiannually thereafter. The accumulated balance in the fund at the end of 30 years is 100. Calculate  $d$ .

(A) 4.33% (B) 4.43% (C) 4.53% (D) 4.63% (E) 4.73%

SOLUTION:

$$\frac{10}{(1 - d/4)^{40}} \left(1 + \frac{.06}{2}\right)^{40} + 20 \left(1 + \frac{.06}{2}\right)^{30} = 100$$

Solve for  $d$  to get  $d = 0.04531789$  or 4.53%.

5. (Michigan 1.1) On July 1, 1999, a person invested 1000 in a fund for which the force of interest at time  $t$  is given by  $\delta_t = \frac{3 + 2t}{50}$ , where  $t$  is the number of years since January 1, 1999. Determine the accumulated value of the investment on January 1, 2000.

(A) 1036 (B) 1041 (C) 1045 (D) 1046 (F) 1051

SOLUTION:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{AccAmt} &= 1000 * \exp\left(\int_{.5}^1 \frac{3 + 2t}{50} dt\right) = 1000 * \exp\left(\frac{3t + t^2}{50} \Big|_{.5}^1\right) \\ &= 1000 * \exp((4 - 7/4)/50) = 1046.028. \end{aligned}$$

6. (May, 2005 #13) At a nominal interest rate of  $i$  convertible semi-annually, an investment of 1000 immediately and 1500 at the end of the first year will accumulate to 2600 at the end of the second year. Calculate  $i$ .

(A) 2.75% (B) 2.77% (C) 2.79% (D) 2.81% (E) 2.83%

SOLUTION: Let  $j$  = semi annual interest.

$2600 = 1000(1 + j)^4 + 1500(1 + j)^2$  This is a quadratic in  $x = (1 + j)^2$ , which simplifies to  $10x^2 + 15x - 26 = 0$  so  $x = \frac{-15 \pm \sqrt{15^2 - 4(10)(-26)}}{2(10)} = 1.028342$

Thus  $(1 + j)^2 = 1.028342$  so  $j = 1.028342^{.5} - 1 = 0.01407199 = \frac{i^{(2)}}{2}$ .

Finally  $i^{(2)} = 2(.01407199) = .02814 = 2.81\%$ .

7. (Michigan 1.3) Deposits are made to a fund each January 1 and July 1 for the years 1995 through 2005. The deposit made each July 1 will be 10.25% greater than the one made on the immediately preceding January 1. The deposit made on each January 1 (except for January 1, 1995) will be the same amount as the deposit made on the immediately preceding July 1. The fund will be credited with interest at a nominal rate of 10%, compounded semiannually. On December 31, 2005, the fund will have a balance of 11000. Determine the initial deposit to the fund.

(A) 160 (b) 165 (C) 175 (D) (E)195 (F) 200

SOLUTION:

We work with rate  $i = .05$  for 6 months. Let  $X$  be the initial deposit.

The Jan 1, 2005 deposit is  $X(1.1025)^{10}$ . Note that  $1.05^2 = 1.1025$ .

The Jan 1 deposits accumulate, measuring from 2005 down, to

$$A1 = X(1.1025)^{10}(1.05)^2 + \dots + X(1.1025)^0(1.05)^{22} = 11X(1.1025)^{11}$$

The July 1 deposits accumulate, measuring from 2005 down, to

$$A2 = X(1.1025)^{11}(1.05)^1 + X(1.1025)^{10}(1.05)^3 + \dots + X(1.1025)^1(1.05)^{21} = 11X(1.1025)^{11.5}$$

Thus  $11000 = 11X(1.1025^{11} + 1.1025^{11.5})$  so  $X = 1000/(1.1025^{11} + 1.1025^{11.5}) = 166.7560$ .

8. (May,2003, #22) A perpetuity costs 77.1 and makes annual payments at the end of the year. The perpetuity pays 1 at the end of year 2, 2 at the end of year 3, ...,  $n$  at the end of year  $(n+1)$ . After year  $(n+1)$ , the payments remain constant at  $n$ . The annual effective interest rate is 10.5%. Calculate  $n$ .

(A) 17 (B) 18 (C) 19 (D) 20 (E) 21

SOLUTION:

$$\begin{aligned} PV = 77.1 &= 1v^2 + 2v^3 + \dots + nv^{n+1} + nv^{n+2} + \dots \\ &= v(v + 2v^2 + \dots + nv^n) + nv^{n+2}(1 + v + v^2 + \dots) \\ &= v(Ia)_{\overline{n}|i} + nv^{n+2} \frac{1}{1-v} = v \frac{\ddot{a}_{\overline{n}|} - nv^n}{i} + nv^{n+2} \frac{1+i}{i} = \frac{a_{\overline{n}|} - nv^{n+1}}{i} + \frac{nv^{n+1}}{i} \\ &= a_{\overline{n}|}/i = \frac{1-v^n}{i^2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $v^n = 1 - 77.1i^2$  so  $n = \ln(1 - 77.1i^2)/\ln(v) = 19.002$

9. (May, 2003, #45) A perpetuity-immediate pays 100 per year. Immediately after the fifth payment, the perpetuity is exchanged for a 25-year annuity-immediate that will pay  $X$  at the end of the first year. Each subsequent annual payment will be 8% greater than the preceding payment. Immediately after the 10th payment of the 25-year annuity, the annuity will be exchanged for a perpetuity-immediate paying  $Y$  per year. The annual effective rate of interest is 8%. Calculate  $Y$ .

(A) 110 (B) 120 (C) 130 (D) 140 (E) 150

SOLUTION: At time 5, the value of the perpetuity and annuity must be equal so

$$100a_{\overline{\infty}|} = Xv + X(1.08)v^2 + \cdots + X(1.08)^{24}v^{25} \text{ or}$$

$$100/i = 25Xv.$$

At time 15, the remaining value of the annuity must equal the value of the perpetuity of  $Y$ . Thus

$$X(1.08)^{10}v + X(1.08)^{11}v^2 + \cdots + X(1.08)^{24}v^{15} = Ya_{\overline{\infty}|}$$

$$15Xv(1.08)^{10} = Y/i.$$

Thus  $Y = \frac{15}{25}(1.08)^{10} = 129.5355$ .