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Today’s Agenda

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1.1 Present Value of Cash flows

Discrete Cash flow

The present value of the sums c_{t_1}, c_{t_2}, …., c_{t_n} due at times t_1, t_2, …., t_n (where $0 \le t_1 < t_2 < …. < t_n$) is:

$$\boldsymbol{c_{t_1}\mathrm{v}(t_1) + c_{t_2}\mathrm{v}(t_2) + ….. + c_{t_n}\mathrm{v}(t_n) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} c_{t_j}\mathrm{v}(t_j)}$$

If the number of payments is infinite the present value is defined to be:

$$\boldsymbol{\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} c_{t_j}\mathrm{v}(t_j)}$$

provided that this series converges. It usually will in practical problems.

1.1 Example

Under its current rent agreement, a company is obliged to make annual payment of $7500 for the building its occupies. Payments are due on 1 January 2006, 1 January 2007, 1 January 2008. If a company wishes to cover these payments by investing a single sum in its bank account that pays 7.5% pa compound.

What sum must be invested on 1 January 2005 ?

1.2 Continuous payable Cash flows

The present value of the entire cash flow is obtained by integration as

$$\int_0^T v(t)\rho(t)dt$$

If T is infinite, we obtain by similar argument:

$$\int_0^\infty v(t)\rho(t)dt$$

1.3 Present Value of General Cash flows

By combining the results of discrete and continuous cash flows, we obtain formula as:

$$\boldsymbol{\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} c_{t_j} v(t_j) + \int_0^{\infty} v(t)\rho(t)dt}$$

This is the formula for the present value of a general cash flow.

Assuming a constant rate of interest, the formula simplifies to

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} c_{t_j} v^t + \int_0^{\infty} v^t \rho(t)dt$$

1.3 Example

A life office starts issuing a new type of 10-year saving policy to young investor who pay weekly premiums of $10. Assuming that the life office sells 10,000 policies evenly over each year & that no policyholder stop paying premiums.

What will the rate of premium income be fore the office during the first few years ?

1.3 Solution

Solution

After t years the office will have sold $10{,}000t$ policies.

So the weekly premium income will be: $10{,}000t \times £10 = £100{,}000t$

Since there are 52.18 $(365.25/7)$ weeks in a year, this corresponds to an annual rate of income of:

$$52.18 \times £100{,}000t = £5{,}218{,}000t$$

Question

A company expects to receive for the next 5 years a continuous cash flow of \$350 pa. it also expects to have to pay out \$600 at the end of the first year and \$400 at the end of the third year. Calculate the net present value of these cash flows if $v(t) = 1 - t/100$ for $0 \leq t \leq 5$.

2 Changes in Interest rates

Example

Calculate the present values as at 1 January 2005 of the following payments:

- A single payment of £2000 payable on 1 July 2009.
- A single payment of £5000 payable on 31 December 2016.

Assume effective rate of interest of 8% per annum until 31 December 2011 and 6% per annum thereafter.

2 Solution

Solution

(i) Here, the interest rate is constant throughout the relevant period, so the present value is just:

$$2{,}000\,v^{4\frac{1}{2}@8\%} = 2{,}000 \times 0.70728 = £1{,}415$$

(ii) Here, we need to break the calculation up at 31 December 2011 when the interest rate changes:

$$5{,}000\,v^{7@8\%} \times v^{5@6\%} = 5{,}000 \times 0.58349 \times 0.74726 = £2{,}180$$

3 Interest Income

If we invest an amount of capital C , then the present value of the proceeds we receive from this investment should equal our original amount of capital.

Example

An investor deposits £2,000 in a bank account and receives income at the end of each of the next three years. The rate of interest is 4% *pa* effective. The investor withdraws the capital after three years.

At the end of each year the investor receives $0.04 \times 2,000 = £80$.

The present value of the interest received is:

$$80(v + v^2 + v^3) = £222.01$$

The present value of the capital received after three years is:

$$2,000v^3 = £1,777.99$$

The present value of the capital plus the present value of the interest equals the initial investment, *ie*:

$$1,777.99 + 222.01 = £2,000$$