

**EBA1180 Mathematics for Data Science**  
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**Exercises**

*... if I couldn't formulate a problem in economic theory mathematically, I didn't know what I was doing.*

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**Lecture 4 and 5**

**Sec. 11.4.1-3, 6.11.4, 11.2, 11.3.2, 11.4.4-10, 4.9.2, 6.11.4, 11.2, 11.3.2:**  
**Geometric series. Annuities. Euler's number and continuous compounding of interest.**

Here are recommended exercises from the textbook [SHSC].

- Section 11.2 exercise 1-3, 5
- Section 4.9 exercise 1, 2, 4, 5
- Section 11.3 exercise 1b, 2b
- Section 11.4 exercise 1-, 6, 7
- Section 11.5 exercise 6
- Section 11.6 exercise 3

**Problems for the exercise session**  
**Wednesday 7 Sept. from 12 in D2-065**

**Problem 1** Calculate the sum of the series.

- a)  $1 + 1.04 + 1.04^2 + 1.04^3 + \dots + 1.04^{10}$ .
- b)  $1 + 1.04 + 1.04^2 + 1.04^3 + \dots + 1.04^{20}$ .
- c)  $1 + 1.04 + 1.04^2 + 1.04^3 + \dots + 1.04^n$ .
- d)  $30\,000 \cdot 1.04^{20} + 30\,000 \cdot 1.04^{19} + 30\,000 \cdot 1.04^{18} + \dots + 30\,000 \cdot 1.04^2 + 30\,000 \cdot 1.04$ .
- e) Describe a financial situation where the sum in (d) is used.
- f)  $1 + \frac{1}{1.04} + \frac{1}{1.04^2} + \frac{1}{1.04^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{1.04^{20}}$ .
- g) Explain why  $1.04^{20}$  multiplied with the sum in (f) gives the sum in (b).
- h)  $1 + \frac{1}{1.04} + \frac{1}{1.04^2} + \frac{1}{1.04^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{1.04^n}$ .
- i)  $\frac{30\,000}{1.04} + \frac{30\,000}{1.04^2} + \frac{30\,000}{1.04^3} + \dots + \frac{30\,000}{1.04^{20}}$ .
- j) Describe a financial situation where the sum in (i) is used.

**Problem 2** Suppose you are paid 500 000 every year for  $n$  years with the first payment in one year from now. Assume the interest is 3.5%.

- a) Write down the geometric series which gives the present value of the cash flow.
- b) Use the geometric series to compute the present value of the cash flow for  $n = 10$ ,  $n = 20$ ,  $n = 40$ ,  $n = 80$  and  $n = 1000$ .
- c) Compute the present value of the cash flow if it continues forever.

**Problem 3** The nominal annual interest is 4.8%.

- a) Assume annual compounding. Determine the annual rate of change (growth factor). Determine the rate of change for 10 years. Determine the effective interest for 10 years.
- b) Assume quarterly compounding. Determine the annual rate of change and the effective interest. Determine the rate of change for 10 years. Determine the effective interest for 10 years.
- c) Assume monthly compounding. Determine the annual rate of change and the effective interest. Determine the rate of change for 10 years. Determine the effective interest for 10 years.

- d) Assume daily compounding. Determine the annual rate of change and the effective interest. Determine the rate of change for 10 years. Determine the effective interest for 10 years.
- e) Assume continuous compounding. Determine the annual rate of change and the effective interest. Determine the rate of change for 10 years. Determine the effective interest for 10 years.

**Problem 4** You deposit 30 000 into an account with 2.9% nominal interest.

- a) Assume annual compounding.
- i) Compute the balance after 10 years.
  - ii) Determine the rate of change and the relative change for the 10 years.
- b) Assume continuous compounding.
- i) Compute the balance after 10 years.
  - ii) Determine the rate of change and the relative change for the 10 years.
  - iii) Determine the (annual) effective interest.

**Problem 5** You consider an investment of 2 million in an asset which can be sold for 5 million after 20 years.

- a) With annual compounding, compute the internal rate of return.
- b) With quarterly compounding, compute the internal rate of return.
- c) With monthly compounding, compute the internal rate of return.
- d) With continuous compounding, compute the internal rate of return. (Hint: Try different rates.)

**Problem 6** Hege considers a mortgage with 25 annual payments. She believes she will be able to pay 120 000 each year. First payment is one year from now.

- a) Assume the interest is 2.0% with annual compounding. Determine the geometric series which gives the present value of the cash flow. Use it to calculate how much Hege can borrow.
- b) Assume the interest is 2.0% with continuous compounding. Determine the geometric series which gives the present value of the cash flow. Use it to calculate how much Hege can borrow.
- c) Compare the answers in (a) and (b).

**Problem 7** Suppose you will be paid 300 000 every year in  $n$  years with the first payment a year from now. Suppose the interest is 3.5% with continuous compounding.

- a) Write down the geometric series which gives the present value of the cash flow.
- b) Use the geometric series to compute the present value of the cash flow for  $n = 10$ ,  $n = 20$ ,  $n = 40$ ,  $n = 80$  og  $n = 1000$ .
- c) Use the geometric series to compute the present value of the cash flow if it continues forever.

**Problem 8** Suppose a constant amount  $A = 40\,000$  (the annuity) is paid every year in  $n$  years with the first payment one year from now. Suppose the nominal interest is  $r$  with continuous compounding.

- a) Write down the geometric series which gives the present value of the cash flow if  $n = 25$  og  $r = 2.6\%$ . Use this series to calculate the present value.
- b) Assume the annuity is paid forever. Write down the infinite geometric series which gives the present value of the cash flow if  $r = 2.6\%$ . Use this series to calculate the present value.
- c) Assume the annuity is paid forever. Determine the interest  $r$  such that the present value ( $K_0$ ) becomes 3 million. (Hint: Try different rates.)
- d) Explain why (c) gives the equation

$$e^r = \frac{K_0 + A}{K_0} = \frac{3\,000\,000 + 40\,000}{3\,000\,000} = 1.0133$$

## Answers

### Problem 1

- a)  $\frac{1.04^{11}-1}{0.04} = 13.49$ .
- b)  $\frac{1.04^{21}-1}{0.04} = 31.97$ .
- c)  $\frac{1.04^{n+1}-1}{0.04}$ .
- d)  $30\,000 \cdot 1.04 \cdot \frac{1.04^{20}-1}{0.04} = 929\,076.05$ .
- e) A deposit of 30 000 every year for 20 years (starting today) into an account with 4% interest and annual compounding will give the sum as future value after 20 years.
- f) We read the geometric series backwards:  $\frac{1}{1.04^{20}} \cdot \frac{1.04^{21}-1}{0.04} = 14.59$ .
- g)  $(1 + \frac{1}{1.04} + \frac{1}{1.04^2} + \frac{1}{1.04^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{1.04^{20}}) \cdot 1.04^{20} = 1.04^{20} + 1.04^{19} + \dots + 1.04^2 + 1.04 + 1$ .
- h)  $\frac{1}{1.04^n} \cdot \frac{1.04^{n+1}-1}{0.04}$ .
- i)  $\frac{30\,000}{1.04^{20}} \cdot \frac{1.04^{20}-1}{0.04} = 407\,709.79$ .
- j) The sum represents the present value (what you can borrow) for a 30 000 annuity (starting a year from now) with 4% interest and yearly compounding running for 20 years.

### Problem 2

- a)  $\frac{500\,000}{1.035} + \frac{500\,000}{1.035^2} + \frac{500\,000}{1.035^3} + \dots + \frac{500\,000}{1.035^n}$ .
- b)  $n = 10: \frac{500\,000}{1.035^{10}} \cdot \frac{1.035^{10}-1}{0.035} = 4\,158\,302.66$ ,  $n = 20: \frac{500\,000}{1.035^{20}} \cdot \frac{1.035^{20}-1}{0.035} = 7\,106\,201.65$ ,  
 $n = 40: \frac{500\,000}{1.035^{40}} \cdot \frac{1.035^{40}-1}{0.035} = 10\,677\,536.17$ ,  $n = 80: \frac{500\,000}{1.035^{80}} \cdot \frac{1.035^{80}-1}{0.035} = 13\,374\,387.83$  and  
 $n = 1000: \frac{500\,000}{1.035^{1000}} \cdot \frac{1.035^{1000}-1}{0.035} = 14\,285\,714.29$ .
- c)  $\frac{500\,000}{1.035^n} \cdot \frac{1.035^n-1}{0.035} = 500\,000 \cdot \frac{1-\frac{1}{1.035^n}}{0.035}$  which approaches  $500\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{0.035} = 14\,285\,714.29$  more and more as  $n$  becomes bigger and bigger (" $n$  approaches infinity", often written " $n \rightarrow \infty$ ").

### Problem 3

- a) Annual rate of change: 1.048, rate of change for 10 years:  $1.048^{10} = 1.5981$ , effective interest for 10 years: 59.81%.
- b) Annual rate of change: 1.0489, rate of change for 10 years: 1.6115, effective interest for 10 years: 61.15%.
- c) Annual rate of change: 1.0491, rate of change for 10 years: 1.6145, effective interest for 10 years: 61.45%.
- d) Annual rate of change: 1.0492, rate of change for 10 years: 1.6160, effective interest for 10 years: 61.60%.
- e) Annual rate of change: 1.0492, rate of change for 10 years: 1.6161, effective interest for 10 years: 61.61%.

### Problem 4

- a) i) 39 927.77  
 ii) rate of change: 1.3309, relative change: 33.09%
- b) i) 40 092.82  
 ii) rate of change: 1.3364, relative change: 33.64%  
 iii) 2.94%

### Problem 5

- a)  $2.5^{\frac{1}{20}} - 1 = 4.69\%$
- b) 4.61%
- c) 4.59%
- d) Obtain the equation  $e^r = 2.5^{\frac{1}{20}} = 1.0469$  and try:  $r = 4.58\%$ .

### Problem 6

- a) Present value:  
 $120\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{1.02} + 120\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{1.02^2} + 120\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{1.02^3} + \dots + 120\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{1.02^{24}} + 120\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{1.02^{25}}$ .  
 Mortgage: 2 342 814.78

b) Present value:

$$120\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{e^{0.02}} + 120\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.02})^2} + 120\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.02})^3} + \dots + 120\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.02})^{24}} + 120\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.02})^{25}}.$$

$$\text{Mortgage: } 120\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{e^{0.02 \cdot 25}} \cdot \frac{e^{0.02 \cdot 25} - 1}{e^{0.02} - 1} = 2\,337\,286.57$$

c) With continuous compounding Hege can borrow slightly less since then the effective interest she has to pay is slightly higher.

### Problem 7

a)

$$300\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{e^{0.035}} + 300\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.035})^2} + \dots + 300\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.035})^{n-1}} + 300\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.035})^n}$$

b) The sum of the geometric series:  $300\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.035})^n} \cdot \frac{(e^{0.035})^n - 1}{e^{0.035} - 1}$ . For  $n = 10$ : 2 487 206.55 for  $n = 20$ : 4 239 911.38 for  $n = 40$ : 6 345 389.07 for  $n = 80$ : 7 910 142.75 for  $n = 1000$ : 8 422 303.55.

c)  $300\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.035})^n} \cdot \frac{(e^{0.035})^n - 1}{e^{0.035} - 1} = 300\,000 \cdot \frac{1 - (e^{0.035})^{-n}}{e^{0.035} - 1}$  approaches  $300\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{e^{0.035} - 1} = 8\,422\,303.55$  when  $n$  grows bigger and bigger.

### Problem 8

a)

$$\begin{aligned} & 40\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{e^{0.026}} + 40\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.026})^2} + \dots + 40\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.026})^{24}} + 40\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.026})^{25}} \\ &= 40\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.026})^{25}} \cdot \frac{(e^{0.026})^{25} - 1}{e^{0.026} - 1} = 40\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{e^{0.026 \cdot 25}} \cdot \frac{e^{0.026 \cdot 25} - 1}{e^{0.026} - 1} = 725\,796.53 \end{aligned}$$

b)

$$\begin{aligned} & 40\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{e^{0.026}} + 40\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.026})^2} + \dots + 40\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{(e^{0.026})^n} + \dots \\ &= 40\,000 \cdot \frac{1}{e^{0.026} - 1} = 1\,518\,548.20 \end{aligned}$$

c) Obtain the equation  $e^r = 1.0133$  and try:  $r = 1.32\%$ .