The concepts presented in this section are used in nearly every financial decision, whether it is a business decision or a decision that relates to your personal finances. As a result, time value of money is considered the most important concept in finance.

- **Cash Flow Time Lines**—a very important tool that helps you to visualize the timing of the cash flows associated with a particular situation. A cash outflow is designated with a negative sign, whereas a cash inflow is designated with a positive sign (in most cases the positive sign is implied). The interest rate that is applied to the situation is given on the time line. A cash flow time line can be illustrated as follows:

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<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>0</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Cash Flows</td>
<td>-500</td>
<td>?</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

According to this cash flow time line, we want to determine how much $500 invested today will grow to in four years if the investment earns 10 percent interest per year (for simplicity, the dollar sign is not shown).

- **Cash Flow Patterns**—business cash flow streams normally take one of the following patterns:
  - **Lump-sum amount**—a single, or one-time, payment that occurs either today or at some date in the future. The $500 payment shown on the cash flow timeline is an example of a lump-sum amount.
  - **Annuity**—multiple payments of the same amount that occur over equal time periods. If the payment is made at the end of the period, the annuity is referred to as an ordinary annuity because this is how most payments are made in business. When annuity payments are made at the beginning of the period the annuity is referred to as annuity due, because in such situations a business has paid for and therefore is due to receive certain products or services.
  - **Uneven cash flows**—multiple payments of different amounts over a period of time.

- **Future Value (FV)**—when we find the future value of an amount invested today, we determine to what amount the investment will grow over a particular time period. If an amount is invested for more than one period, then both the original investment and any interest previously earned by the investment will earn interest when additional interest is paid each period—this concept, where interest earns interest, is known as compounding; that is, compounded interest is earned. In the example given in the cash flow time line shown above, we have

  End-of-year amount: $-500 \times 1.10 = 550.00 \times 1.10 = 605.00 \times 1.10 = 665.50 = 732.05$
If we summarize the computations using the portion of each computation, we have the following:

\[
\begin{align*}
FV_1 &= PV(1 + r)^1 \\
FV_2 &= PV(1 + r)^2 \\
FV_3 &= PV(1 + r)^3 \\
FV_4 &= PV(1 + r)^4
\end{align*}
\]

Using the pattern shown here, we can conclude that determining the future value of an amount invested today for \( n \) years, \( FV_n \), can be found by applying the following equation:

\[
FV_n = PV(1 + r)^n
\]

According to this equation, the simple solution to our current situation—that is, the future value of the $500 investment at the end of four years if 10 percent return is earned—would be:

\[
FV_4 = $500(1.10)^4 = $732.05
\]

which is the same as the result found earlier. There are four general approaches we can take to arrive at this solution—(1) time line solution, (2) equation (numerical) solution, (3) financial calculator, and (4) spreadsheet solution.

- **Time Line Solution**—the solution is shown graphically on a cash flow time line
- **Equation (Numerical) Solution**—the numerical solution is determined by applying the appropriate equation, which in this case is \( FV_n = PV(1 + r)^n \).
- **Financial Calculator Solution**—financial calculators have been programmed to give you the numerical solution for many time value of money situations. The keys that are used for such problems are:

\[
\begin{array}{cccccc}
N & I/Y & PV & PMT & FV \\
\end{array}
\]

where \( N \) is the number of periods, \( I/Y \) is the interest rate per period, \( PV \) is the present value of the amount, \( PMT \) represents an annuity payment (discussed later), and \( FV \) is the future value of the amount. Using a financial calculator, the current situation would be set up as follows:

**Inputs:**

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
4 & 10 & -500 & 0 \\
\end{array}
\]

**Result:**

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
N & I/Y & PV & PMT \\
\end{array} = 732.05
\]

This illustration indicates the calculator inputs—you input \( N = 4 \) for the number of periods, \( I/Y = 10 \) for the interest rate (notice that interest is not input as a decimal because the calculator does the conversion for you), \( PV = -500 \) for the present value, (the 500 investment should have a negative sign because it represents a cash outflow), and \( PMT = 0 \) for the annuity payment (there is no annuity payment in the current situation). Once these values are entered, you are ready to compute the future value, \( FV \), which equals 732.05.

- **Spreadsheet Solution**—spreadsheets, such as Excel or Lotus 1-2-3, have built-in (programmed) functions that can be used to solve time value of money problems. Using Excel, the current problem can be set up as follows:

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The values in column B are input exactly as shown—that is, N is entered as 4, 10 percent is input as a decimal, 0.1, and the PV is input as –500. You can either enter zero (0) for the value of PMT or leave cell B4 empty. To solve for FV, put the cursor in cell B5 and click on (1) f, on the function wizard, which is the paste function, (2) the function named “Financial,” and (3) FV in the “function” section. At this point the Paste Function box will look something like the following (depending on what version of Excel you have):

Click on OK, and another box will appear that looks something like the following:
“Rate” represents the interest rate per period, “Nper” is the number of periods interest is earned, “Pmt” is the periodic annuity payment (we will use this later), “Pv” is the present value of the amount, and “Type” refers to the type of annuity payment, which we will discuss later. To solve our problem, you need to refer to the appropriate cells in the spreadsheet that contain the information requested. As a result, you should insert B2 in the first row of the table (Rate), B1 in the second row (Nper), B4 in the third row (Pmt), B3 in the fourth row (Pv), and leave the last row blank. Click “OK” when you are finished and the answer, $732.05, will appear in cell B5. If you press the F2 key you will see the contents of B5, which should be =FV(B2,B1,B4,B3). Note that you can also insert the appropriate location for each row of the box shown above by clicking on , which is located on the right side of the row, placing (clicking) the cursor in the cell that contains the data in the spreadsheet, and then pressing return. When enough information is entered, you will see the result of the computation at the bottom of the box. In our example the box will look like the following:
Once the locations of all the appropriate data are in the table, click “OK,” and the answer will appear in cell B5 in the spreadsheet.

The future value amount that we computed here, $732.05, is equivalent to the present value amount, $500, compounded at 10 percent for four years. Thus, all else equal, if someone asked you whether you would prefer $500 today or $732.05 in four years and you have the opportunity to earn 10 percent per year, you should say that both options are the same and, as a result, you should “flip a coin” to choose between the two. Consider what would happen if you have $500 today and you invested it at 10 percent for four years—the value at the end of four years would be $732.05. Consider what would happen if you had a piece of paper (contract) that stated you were guaranteed a payment of $732.05 in four years and you could earn 10 percent during the next four years—as we will see in the next section, the value today of the $732.05 to be received in four years is $500, so you could sell your right to receive (the contract) the $732.05 to someone else and receive $500 today. In other words, if you chose one option—either \( PV = 500.00 \) or \( FV = 732.05 \)—you can create the other option.

- **Future Value of an Annuity (FVA)**—an annuity is defined as a series of equal payments that are made at equal intervals; for example, $100 received each year for the next five years. An *ordinary annuity* is an annuity with cash flows that occur at the end of the period, whereas an *annuity due* is an annuity with cash flows that occur at the beginning of the period. We can determine the future value of an annuity, whether it is an ordinary annuity or an annuity due, by using the concepts described earlier for solving for the future value of a lump-sum amount.

  - *Ordinary annuities*—suppose you decide to plan for your retirement, which will occur soon, by making payments equal to $10,000 at the end of each of the next three years. If the investment will earn a return equal to 7 percent per year, what will be the value of your investment at the end of three years? The cash flow time line is:

    | Time | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
    |-----|---|---|---|---|
    | Cash Flows | -10,000 | -10,000 | -10,000 |
    | FVA \(_3\) | ? |

    **Time Line Solution:** Using the methodology presented earlier to determine the FV of a single (lump-sum) amount invested today, we have the following (be careful—think about the number of periods each payment earns interest):

    | Time | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
    |-----|---|---|---|---|
    | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 | 10,000 = 10,000(1.07)^0 |
    | 10,700 = 10,000(1.07)^1 | 11,449 = 10,000(1.07)^2 |
    | 32,149 = FVA \(_3\) |
**Equation (Numerical) Solution:** The solution given in the cash flow time line shows that the future value of an annuity, \( FVA_n \), can be determined by computing the future values, FVs, of each individual payment and summing the result. In other words,

\[
FVA_3 = 10,000(1.07)^2 + 10,000(1.07)^1 + 10,000(1.07)^0 \\
= 11,449 + 10,700 + 10,000 = 32,149
\]

Notice that the first payment, \( PMT_1 \), only earns two years of interest because it is invested at the end of the first year—interest is earned in Year 2 and Year 3; the second payment, \( PMT_2 \), only earns one year of interest—interest is earned in Year 3; and, the third payment, \( PMT_3 \), earns no interest because it is invested at the end of the final year. In general terms, we can write the computation given above as follows:

\[
FVA_n = PMT(1 + r)^{n-1} + PMT(1 + r)^{n-2} + PMT(1 + r)^{n-3} + \ldots + PMT(1 + r)^0
\]

\[
= PMT \sum_{t=0}^{n-1} (1 + r)^t = PMT \sum_{t=1}^{n} (1 + r)^{n-t} = PMT \left[ \frac{(1 + r)^n - 1}{r} \right]
\]

You determine the future value of the ordinary annuity, \( FVA \) (the $10,000 payments are made at the end of the year), by calculating the future value of each payment and summing the results, as was shown previously, or by applying the final form of the equation given above. It is important to recognize that this equation can only be used for determining the future value of an ordinary annuity—it cannot be used to determine the future value of a series of cash flows that are not equal (such a series is termed an uneven cash flow pattern; its solution will be discussed later).

\[
FVA_n = PMT \left[ \frac{(1 + r)^n - 1}{r} \right]
\]

\[
FVA_3 = \$10,000 \left[ \frac{(1.07)^3 - 1}{0.07} \right] = \$10,000(3.2149) = \$32,149
\]

This is the same result that was found by computing the future values of each payment and summing the results.

**Financial Calculator Solution:** Input values into the appropriate TVM keys.

\[
\begin{array}{cccccc}
\text{Inputs:} & 3 & 7 & 0 & -10,000 & \text{?} \\
\text{Result:} & \text{N} & \text{I/Y} & \text{PV} & \text{PMT} & \text{FV} & = 32,149
\end{array}
\]

In this situation, we need to use the time value of money key labeled PMT because we are dealing with an annuity. Notice that the input into PV is 0 because we are not using this key.
- **Spreadsheet Solution:** The problem can be set up as follows:

![Spreadsheet Image]

To solve for the future value of the annuity, put the cursor in cell B5 and click on (1) \( f_x \) on the function wizard, (2) the function category named “Financial,” and (3) the FV function. In the box that appears, input the cell locations of the appropriate values as shown here.

![Spreadsheet Image]

- Annuities due—because an annuity due is an annuity with cash flows at the beginning of the period, each payment will earn interest for one more period than if it was an ordinary annuity, and the future value of the annuity due will be greater than the future value of an ordinary annuity, all else equal.

- **Time Line Solution**—Graphically, we have the following situation:

![Time Line Image]

\[
\begin{align*}
0 & \quad 7\% & 1 & \quad 2 & \quad 3 \\
10,000 & \quad 10,000 & \quad 10,000 & \quad 10,700.00 = 10,000(1.07)^0 \times (1.07) \\
& & \quad 11,449.00 = 10,000(1.07)^1 \times (1.07) \\
& & \quad 12,250.43 = 10,000(1.07)^2 \times (1.07) \\
& & \quad 34,399.43 = \text{FVA(DUE)}_3
\end{align*}
\]
Notice that the computations are the same as for an ordinary annuity, except one additional period (year) of interest is given to each payment.

- **Equation (Numerical) Solution**: As the cash flow time line solution shows, to compute the future value of an annuity due, which is designated $FVA(DUE)_n$, the future value of each payment is multiplied by one additional year’s interest, 1.07 in this case. Thus, we need to make a simple adjustment to the equation used to compute the future value of an ordinary annuity to determine the future value of an annuity due. The adjustment is to multiply the interest factor for an ordinary annuity by $(1 + r)$, which yields the following:

$$FVA(DUE)_n = PMT \left\{ \left[ \frac{(1 + r)^n - 1}{r} \right] \times (1 + r) \right\}$$

$$= $10,000 \left\{ \left[ \frac{(1.07)^3 - 1}{0.07} \right] \times (1.07) \right\}$$

$$= $10,000[(3.2149)(1.07)] = $10,000(3.439943) = $34,399.43$$

- **Financial Calculator Solution**: By default, most financial calculators are programmed to compute the value of an ordinary annuity. But, your calculator should have a key that allows you to switch from end-of-period payments to beginning-of-period payments; that is, to switch from a computation for an ordinary annuity to a computation for an annuity due. The key generally is labeled DUE, BEG, BGN, or has some similar labeling (the key might be a secondary function). To solve this problem, you need to switch your calculator to BGN so that the cash flows are considered beginning-of-period payments. (See the instructions for your calculator to determine how to switch to the BGN mode.)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inputs:</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>7</th>
<th>0</th>
<th>-10,000</th>
<th>?</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>N</strong></td>
<td><strong>I/Y</strong></td>
<td><strong>PV</strong></td>
<td><strong>PMT</strong></td>
<td><strong>FV</strong></td>
<td><strong>Result:</strong></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

As you can see, to solve for an annuity due, the inputs remain the same—you only need to switch the calculator to beginning-of-period payments.

- **Spreadsheet Solution**: Set up the problem the same as for an ordinary annuity. After clicking on the financial function FV, input the cell locations of the appropriate values as before, and input a 1 in the row labeled “Type,” which indicates to the spreadsheet that the payments are made at the beginning of the period. In the current example, the inputs are the same as previously, except a 1 is input for “Type” such that the following exists:

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Click “OK” when you are finished and the answer, $34,399.43, will appear in cell B5 of the spreadsheet.

- Future Value of Uneven Cash Flow Streams, $FV_{CF}$—unlike an annuity, an uneven cash flow stream consists of cash flows that are not all the same (equal), so the simplifying techniques (that is, using a single equation) we just presented to compute the values of annuities cannot be used here.
  - Future value of an uneven cash flow stream—consider the following situation:

  **Time Line Solution:**
  
  \[ r = 4\% \]
  
  \[
  \begin{align*}
  \text{Time} & \quad 0 & \quad 1 & \quad 2 & \quad 3 \\
  \text{Cash Flows} & \quad \begin{array}{c}
  -600 \\
  -400 \\
  -200.00 = 200(1.04)^0 \\
  416.00 = 200(1.04)^1 \\
  648.96 = 600(1.04)^2 \\
  \end{array}
  \end{align*}
  \]
  
  \[ FV_{CF_3} = 600(1.04)^2 + 400(1.04)^1 + 200(1.04)^0 = 1,264.96 \]

  As the cash flow time line illustrates, to determine the FV of this cash flow stream, we must compute the future value of each individual cash flow and sum the resulting values.

  - **Equation (Numerical) Solution:** When the cash flows occur at the end of the period, the general equation used to compute the future value of an uneven cash flow stream is:

  \[
  FV_{CF} = \sum_{t=1}^{n} CF_t (1 + r)^{n-t}
  \]

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According to this equation, you must compute the future value of each cash flow, \( CF_t \), and then sum the results. Note that we will use \( CF \) to designate cash flows, whether they are uneven or equal, and \( PMT \) to designate annuity payments (discussed in previous sections). The solution to the current problem is:

\[
FV_{CF} = 600(1.04)^2 + 400(1.04)^1 + 200(1.04)^0 \\
= 600(1.0816) + 400(1.0400) + 200(1.0000) \\
= 648.96 + 416.00 + 200.00 \\
= 1,264.96
\]

**Financial Calculator Solution:** You can use the cash flow register on your financial calculator to solve this problem. You must input the cash flows in the order they occur—that is, first input \( CF_1 \), then input \( CF_2 \), and so on. Most calculators require you to input a value for \( CF_0 \) before entering any other cash flows—\( CF_0 \) represents the cash flow in the current period. In the current situation, there is no cash flow in the current period, so \( CF_0 = 0 \) must be entered. After entering the cash flows, enter the value for \( I/Y = r \), and then press \( NPV \) to compute the present value (\( NPV \) stands for the net present value, which is the present value of the future cash flows plus the cash flow in the current period). Then, remember that \( FV = PV(1 + r)^n \). You should refer to the instructions that came with your calculator to determine exactly how uneven cash flows must be entered. If you have a Texas Instruments BAII PLUS, solve for the present value for the current problem using these steps:

Press **CF**

Press **2nd CLR Work**

Press **down**, enter 600 and press **ENTER**

Press **down**, enter 400 and press **ENTER**

Press **down**, enter 200 and press **ENTER**

Press **NPV**

Enter 4 and press **ENTER**, press **down**

Press **CPT**

NPV= 1,124.544834 should be displayed—this is the PV of the cash flows given on the time line.
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\[ FV = 1,124.5445(1.04)^3 = 1,264.9596 = 1,264.96 \]

- **Spreadsheet Solution:** The problem can be set up as follows:

To solve for the future value of the future cash flows, put the cursor in cell B4 and click on the “financial” function named NPV. In the box that appears input the following cell locations:

The range C2:E2 contains the values of the cash flows for Year 1 through Year 3. When you click “OK” you will see the answer, $1,124.54, appear in cell B4. Remember that this represents the present value (PV) of the uneven cash flow stream. As a result, you need to compute the FV of $1,124.54, which is \[ FV = 1,124.54834(1.04)^3 = 1,264.96 \].

- **Present Value (PV)**—PV is the value of an amount to be received (or paid) in the future stated in today’s (present) dollars—that is, the current value of a future amount. When we find the present value, PV, of an amount we are said to be discounting the future value to the present at the opportunity cost rate, which is the rate that can be earned on an investment with equal risk. If we have the opportunity to earn a positive rate of return, the present value must always be less than the future value—the positive return ensures that an amount that is invested today grows to a greater amount in the future. In essence, when we compute the PV of a future amount, we take out the
interest that the amount would earn during the time it is invested—that is, we “deinterest” the FV.

- **Time Line Solution:** On a cash flow time line we can illustrate present value as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>0</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
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<tr>
<td>8%</td>
<td></td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Cash Flows  
\[ PV = ? \quad 800 \]

In this case, we want to determine the present value of $800 that is to be received in four years if the opportunity cost is 8 percent. To solve this problem, let’s “plug” the known information into the equation given earlier for determining the future value of an amount invested today:

\[ FV_n = PV(1 + r)^n \]

\[ 800 = PV(1 + 0.08)^4 \]

Rearranging the terms, we have

\[ PV = \frac{800}{(1.08)^4} = 800 \times \left[ \frac{1}{(1.08)^4} \right] = \]

\[ = 800(0.735030) = 588.02 \]

According to this computation, we can determine the present value of an amount to be received (paid) in the future using the same equation we applied to determine the future value of an amount invested today. Thus, the solution for the PV of a lump-sum amount is:

\[ PV = \frac{FV_n}{(1 + r)^n} = FV_n \left[ \frac{1}{(1 + r)^n} \right] \]

Note that when we compute the present value of a future amount, we simply reverse the process used to compute the future value of a current amount. Earlier we multiplied a current amount by \((1 + r)\) to determine its future value (i.e., we added interest to the current amount). To determine the present value of a future amount, however, we take out interest from the future amount by dividing by \((1 + r)\).

Solving for the current situation using the methods described earlier, we have:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>End-of-year amount</th>
<th>588.02</th>
<th>635.07</th>
<th>685.87</th>
<th>740.74</th>
<th>800.00</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0 8%</td>
<td>( \div 1.08 )</td>
<td>( \div 1.08 )</td>
<td>( \div 1.08 )</td>
<td>( \div 1.08 )</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
o **Equation (Numerical) Solution:**

\[
PV = 800 \times \frac{1}{(1.08)^4} = 800 \times 0.735030 = 588.02
\]

o **Financial Calculator Solution:** Input values into the appropriate TVM keys.

Inputs:

<p>| | | | | | |</p>
<table>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>N</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>800</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Result: \(= -588.02\)

o **Spreadsheet Solution:** The problem can be set up as follows:

To solve for PV, put the cursor in cell B3 and click on (1) \(f_x\) on the function wizard, (2) the function category named “financial”, and (3) PV in the function section. Enter the cell locations in the appropriate rows. In this case, the labels are as indicated earlier, except “Fv” is the future value of the amount. Insert B2 in the first row of the table (Rate), B1 in the second row (Nper), B4 in the third row (Pmt), B5 in the fourth row (Fv), and leave the last row blank. When you finish, the Functions Argument box should look something like the following:
Let’s return to the problem that was set up in the FV section. Remember that we determined that $500 invested today at 10 percent interest would grow to $732.05 in four years. Using the equation (numerical) approach to determine the present value of $732.05 to be received four years from now if the interest rate is 10 percent, we have:

\[
PV = FV \left( \frac{1}{1 + r} \right)^n = 732.05 \left( \frac{1}{1.10} \right)^4 = 732.05(0.683013) = 500.00
\]

Thus, the present value of the $732.05 to be received in four years is $500.00 if the interest rate is 10 percent. This shows that a $500.00 payment received today is equal to (the same as) a $732.05 payment received in four years if you can earn 10 percent interest per year. The point of this exercise is to show that when we apply time value of money techniques, all we are doing is restating dollars from one time period to another time period. In other words, in this exercise, we restated the $732.05 future dollars into $500.00 current dollars when the interest rate is 10 percent. If you are asked whether you would prefer to receive $500.00 today or $732.05 in four years when you have the opportunity to earn 10 percent return, your answer should be that is doesn’t matter. Consider what would happen if you had to decide between receiving the $500.00 payment today or the $732.05 payment in four years. Assuming you can earn 10 percent interest on your investments, you should flip a fair coin to make the decision. Perhaps your decision would be that if the flipped coin lands on a head you will receive the $500.00 payment today, and if it lands on a tail you will receive the $732.05 payment in four years. Suppose that the coin is flipped and lands on a head and you are paid $500.00 today. After you take the payment, you decide you don’t need the money now, but would rather wait four years to receive the money. In this case, as we showed in the previous section, you can invest the $500.00 at 10 percent for four years and it will grow to $732.05. Now suppose that the coin is flipped and it lands on a tail and you receive a piece of paper (a contract) that states whoever turns in the “paper” in four years...
will be paid $732.05. After you receive the “paper,” however, you decide that it would be better to have money today so that you can pay off some of your credit card debt. As the above computation shows, you should be able to sell the “paper” to another investor for $500.00 today (assuming all investors have an opportunity interest rate equal to 10 percent). As a result, the two options—$500.00 payment today or $732.05 payment in four years—are equally desirable if the opportunity interest rate is 10 percent. (We also assume that there is no risk associated with the future payment.)

• **Present Value of an Annuity (PVA)—**we can determine the present value of an annuity, whether it is an ordinary annuity or an annuity due, by using the concepts described earlier where we solved for the present value of a lump-sum amount.
  - Ordinary annuities—suppose you won a contest, and, as a result, you will be paid $10,000 at the end of each of the next three years (an ordinary annuity). If you have an opportunity to earn a 7 percent return on your investments, how much is this annuity worth to you today? In other words, for how much could you sell this annuity to someone today?

  ▪ **Time Line Solution:**

    \[
    \begin{array}{c|ccc}
    & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\
    \text{7%} & & & & \\
    \hline
    10,000/(1.07)^1 & 9,345.79 & 10,000 & 10,000 & 10,000 \\
    10,000/(1.07)^2 & 8,734.39 & 10,000 & 10,000 & 10,000 \\
    10,000/(1.07)^3 & 8,162.98 & 10,000 & 10,000 & 10,000 \\
    \text{PVA}_3 = 26,243.16 & & & & \\
    \end{array}
    \]

  ▪ **Equation (Numerical Solution):** The solution given in the cash flow time line shows that the present value of an annuity, \(PVA_n\), can be determined by computing the present value, \(PV\), of each individual payment and summing the results. In other words,

    \[
    \begin{align*}
PVA_n &= \$10,000 \left[ \frac{1}{(1+r)^1} \right] + \$10,000 \left[ \frac{1}{(1+r)^2} \right] + \$10,000 \left[ \frac{1}{(1+r)^3} \right] \\
    &= 9,345.79 + 8,734.39 + 8,162.98 = 26,243.16
    \end{align*}
    \]

    Using the relationship given here, we can give a general equation for computing the present value of an ordinary annuity:

    \[
    \begin{align*}
PVA_n &= \text{PMT} \left[ \frac{1}{(1+r)^1} \right] + \text{PMT} \left[ \frac{1}{(1+r)^2} \right] + \text{PMT} \left[ \frac{1}{(1+r)^3} \right] + \ldots + \text{PMT} \left[ \frac{1}{(1+r)^n} \right] \\
    &= \text{PMT} \left[ \frac{1 - \frac{1}{(1+r)^n}}{r} \right]
    \end{align*}
    \]
Applying this equation to our situation, the solution is

\[ PVA_n = PMT \left[ \frac{1 - \left( \frac{1}{1+r} \right)^n}{r} \right] = 10,000 \left[ \frac{1 - \left( \frac{1}{1.07} \right)^3}{0.07} \right] = 10,000(2.624316) = 26,243.16 \]

- **Financial Calculator Solution:** Input values into the appropriate TVM keys.

  \[
  \begin{array}{cccc}
  \text{Inputs:} & 3 & 7 & ? \\
  \text{N} & \text{I/Y} & \text{PV} & \text{PMT} & \text{FV} \\
  \text{Result:} & & & = -26,243.16 \\
  \end{array}
  \]

  Notice that the input into FV is 0 because we are not using this key.

- **Spreadsheet Solution:** To solve the problem, set up the spreadsheet the same as you would to solve for the PV of a lump-sum amount (single payment), and input values in the appropriate cells. The current problem can be set up as follows:

  ![Spreadsheet Image]

  - **Annuities due**—How would the present value of the annuity examined above differ if it was an annuity due? Remember that the cash flows associated with an annuity due occur at the beginning of the period rather than the end of the period, which is the case for an ordinary annuity.
**Time Line Solution:** In our situation, if the cash flows occur at the beginning of the period, the cash flow time line would be as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>0</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>7%</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

\[
[10,000/(1.07)^1] \times (1.07) = 10,000.00 \\
[10,000/(1.07)^2] \times (1.07) = 9,345.79 \\
[10,000/(1.07)^3] \times (1.07) = 8,734.39 \\
PVA_3 = 28,080.18
\]

**Equation (Numerical) Solution:** The cash flow time line above shows that the adjustment to the present value of an ordinary annuity to determine the present value of an annuity due is simply to add one year’s interest to each payment, because the payments of an annuity due occur one year earlier than the payments of an ordinary annuity. Thus, the equation used to find the present value of an ordinary annuity can be applied as follows to find the present value of an annuity due:

\[
PVA_{\text{DUE}} = \text{PMT} \left\{ \frac{1 - \frac{1}{(1 + r)^n}}{r} \times (1 + r) \right\}
\]

\[
= 10,000 \left\{ \frac{1 - \frac{1}{(1.07)^3}}{0.07} \times (1.07) \right\}
\]

\[
= 10,000 \times 2.624316 \times (1.07) = 28,080.18
\]

**Calculator Solution:** To solve this problem, you need to switch your calculator to the BGN mode so that the cash flows are considered beginning-of-period payments.

**Spreadsheet Solution:** Set up the problem the same as for an ordinary annuity. After clicking on the financial function PV, input the cell locations of the appropriate values as before, and input a 1 in the row labeled “Type,” which indicates that the payments are made at the beginning of the period.

**Present Value of Uneven Cash Flow Streams, PVFC** — unlike an annuity, an uneven cash flow stream consists of cash flows that are not all the same (equal), so the simplifying techniques (that

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is, using a single equation) we just presented to compute the values of annuities cannot be used here.

- **Time Line Solution:** Consider the following situation:

  
  
  \[
  \begin{array}{cccc}
  0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\
  r = 4\% & & & \\
  600/(1.04)^1 = 576.9231 & 600 & 400 & 200 \\
  400/(1.04)^2 = 369.8225 & & & \\
  200/(1.04)^3 = 177.7993 & & & \\
  PVFC_3 = 1,124.5449 & & & \\
  \end{array}
  \]

  As the cash flow time lines illustrates, to determine the PV of this cash flow stream, we must compute the present value of each individual cash flow and sum the resulting values.

- **Equation (Numerical) Solution:** When the cash flows occur at the end of the period, the general equation used to compute the present value of an uneven cash flow stream is:

  \[
  PVFC_n = \sum_{t=1}^{n} CF_t \left( \frac{1}{(1 + r)^t} \right) = \frac{CF_1}{1 + r} + \frac{CF_2}{(1 + r)^2} + \cdots + \frac{CF_n}{(1 + r)^n}
  \]

  According to this equation, you must compute the present value of each cash flow, \( CF_t \), and then sum the results. The solution to the current problem is:

  \[
  PVFC_3 = 600 \left( \frac{1}{1.04} \right) + 400 \left( \frac{1}{(1.04)^2} \right) + 200 \left( \frac{1}{(1.04)^3} \right) = 600(0.96154) + 400(0.92456) + 200(0.88900) = 576.924 + 369.824 + 177.800 = 1,124.548
  \]

  = 1,124.55 (rounding difference)

- **Financial Calculator Solution:** You should use the cash flow register on your calculator to solve this problem. See the explanation of how to compute the FV of an uneven cash flow stream using your calculator that was given in an earlier section. To find the PV of the uneven cash flow stream, simply compute the NPV of the cash flows.

- **Spreadsheet Solution:** See the explanation of how to compute the FV of an uneven cash flow stream using a spreadsheet that was given in an earlier section. To find the PV of the uneven cash flow stream, enter values into the appropriate locations, and compute the NPV.

- **Perpetuities**—a perpetuity is an annuity that continues forever—that is, a perpetual annuity. The present value of a perpetuity can be computed using the following equation:

  \[
  \text{Present value of a perpetuity} = PVP = \frac{PMT}{r}
  \]

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which is simply the PVA equation when n = ∞.

Suppose you were offered the opportunity to receive $250 beginning in one year and continuing forever. If you could earn 10 percent on your investments, how much should you pay for this perpetuity? The solution is:

\[
PVP = \frac{PMT}{r} = \frac{250}{0.10} = 2,500
\]

If the opportunity cost rate is 8 percent rather than 10 percent, PVP is

\[
PVP = \frac{PMT}{r} = \frac{250}{0.08} = 3,125
\]

As you can see, the present value of the perpetuity increased when the opportunity cost rate decreased. In other words, the value of the perpetuity moved opposite the movement in the rate of return. This is an important concept in finance, which will be discussed throughout these notes. Everything else equal, investors are willing to pay more to receive a specific dollar amount ($250 in our example) when their opportunity cost rate is lower, and vice versa.

- **Comparison of PVA, FVA, and Lump-Sum Amount**—in the previous sections, we found the following:

\[
\begin{align*}
0 & \quad 1 & \quad 2 & \quad 3 \\
7\% & & & \\
10,000 & \quad 10,000 & \quad 10,000 \\
\text{PVA}_3 = 26,243.16 & \quad \text{FVA}_3 = 32,149.00
\end{align*}
\]

Remember that when we compute the present value (PV), we take out, or “discount” a future amount by the interest that the amount will earn in future periods. Similarly, when we compute the future value (FV), we add in, or “compound” a present amount by the interest it will earn over the investment period. As a result, the present value of a future amount and the future value of a present amount are the same values, but they are adjusted for the interest that can be earned during the investment period. To illustrate, assume you win a contest that offers you the choice of the following prizes. You can only pick one prize, and there is no risk associated with any of the choices. Your opportunity cost is 7 percent, regardless of which prize you choose.

- **Prize A**
  Payment of $26,243.16 today.
- **Prize B**
  Payment of $10,000 each year for the next three years; the first $10,000 is scheduled to paid one year from today.
- **Prize C**
  Payment of $32,149 in three years.

Which prize should you choose? Your answer should be that it doesn’t matter which prize is selected, because they are all equivalent. They are equivalent because you can create each of the prizes from one of the other prizes. Consider what would happen if you were required to randomly
select one of the prizes—that is, you were required to draw from three pieces of paper that were put in a hat. Perhaps you want Prize A because you need to pay some bills today, but you draw the piece of paper with Prize C written on it. You should be able to sell Prize C to someone for $26,243.16, because the PV of $32,149 at 7 percent is $26,243.16 when the interest that would be earned during the next three years is taken out of the future amount.

\[
\text{PV} = \frac{32,149}{(1.07)^3} = 32,149(0.816298) = 26,243.16 = \$26,243.16
\]

Inputs: 

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
N & I/Y & PV & PMT & FV \\
3 & 7 & ? & 0 & 32,149
\end{array}
\]

Result: 

\[
= -26,243.16
\]

Of course, the opposite is true as well—that is, if someone draws Prize A, he or she could invest the $26,243.16 at 7 percent and it would grow to $32,149 in three years.

\[
\text{FV}_3 = 26,243.16(1.07)^3 = 26,243.16(1.225043) = \$32,149
\]

Inputs: 

\[
\begin{array}{cccc}
N & I/Y & PV & PMT & FV \\
3 & 7 & -26,243.16 & 0 & ?
\end{array}
\]

Result: 

\[
= 32,149
\]

Also, because we know that the PV of the 3-year $10,000 ordinary annuity is $26,243.16 if the opportunity cost is 7 percent, Prizes A and B must be the same. And, we know that the FV of the same annuity is $32,149, which means that Prizes B and C must be the same.

If you draw Prize A, but you want Prize B, you can create the same cash flow stream paid by Prize B by investing the $26,243.16 at 7 percent and paying yourself $10,000 at the end of each of the next three years. The following table shows that this is true:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Beginning Amount</th>
<th>Interest @7%</th>
<th>Ending Balance</th>
<th>Withdrawal</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>$26,243.16</td>
<td>$1,837.02</td>
<td>$28,080.18</td>
<td>$10,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>18,080.18</td>
<td>1,265.61</td>
<td>19,345.79</td>
<td>10,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>9,345.79</td>
<td>654.21</td>
<td>10,000.00</td>
<td>10,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

After the last $10,000 is withdrawn from the investment, the balance in the account is $0.

- **Solving for Time and Interest Rates**—to this point, we have included four variables in the computations for PV and FV—that is, PV, FV, r, and n. If three of the variables are known we can solve for the fourth variable; so far, we have solved for either FV or PV; we can also solve for r or n. Consider the following examples:
Solving for $r$—suppose you invested $200 three years ago, and the investment is now worth $245. What rate of return ($r$) did the investment earn?

**Time Line Solution:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time (Year)</th>
<th>0</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>$r =$ ?</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cash Flows</td>
<td>-200</td>
<td>245</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

“Plugging into” the FV equation (you could also plug into the PV equation) gives the following:

$$245 = 200(1 + r)^3$$

**Equation (Numerical) Solution:** Using algebra to solve for $r$, we find that $r = 7.0\%$:

$$245 = 200(1 + r)^3$$

$$(1 + r)^3 = \frac{245}{200} = 1.2250$$

$$1 + r = (1.2250)^{1/3} = 1.0700$$

$$r = 1.0700 - 1 = 0.07 = 7.0\%$$

**Financial Calculator Solution:** Input values into the appropriate TVM keys.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inputs:</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>?</th>
<th>-200</th>
<th>0</th>
<th>245</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>N</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>PV</td>
<td></td>
<td>FV</td>
</tr>
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<td>PV</td>
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<td>PMT</td>
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<td>PMT</td>
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<td>FV</td>
<td></td>
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</tbody>
</table>

**Spreadsheet Solution:** The problem can be set up as follows:

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To solve for the interest rate, put the cursor in cell B2 and click on f_x on the function wizard, and then select RATE in the financial function menu. Enter the cell locations in the appropriate rows. The labels are as indicated earlier. Insert B1 in the first row of the table (Nper), B4 in the second row (Pmt), B3 in the third row (Pv), B5 in the fourth row (Fv), and leave the last row blank. At this point a box will appear that looks something like the following:

Click “OK” when you are finished and the answer, 7.0% (or, 0.07), will appear in cell B2. If you press the F2 key you will see the contents of B2, which should be =RATE(B1,B4,B3,B5)

Solving for n—Suppose you invest $712 today at a 6 percent return. How long will it take for the investment to grow to 848? The cash flow time line for this problem is:

```
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>0</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>...</th>
<th>n = ?</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Cash Flows</td>
<td>-712</td>
<td>848</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6%</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
```

“Plugging into” the FV equation (you could also plug into the PV equation) gives the following:

\[
712 = 848(1.06)^n
\]

**Equation (Numerical) Solution:** Unless you are good with algebra, the easiest way to approach this problem applying the numerical solution is to use a “trial-and-error” process whereby you plug in different values for n until you find the appropriate number of years—that is, the point where the right side of the equation and the left side of the equation are equal, or the FV of $712 invested at 6 percent equals $848. You should find that n = 3 years.
- **Financial Calculator Solution:** Input values into the appropriate TVM keys.

  **Inputs:**
  
  \[
  \begin{array}{cccccc}
  \text{N} & \text{I/Y} & \text{PV} & \text{PMT} & \text{FV} \\
  6 & -712 & 0 & 848 & \\
  \end{array}
  \]

  **Result:** \( = 3.0 \)

- **Spreadsheet Solution:** The problem can be set up as follows:

  ![Spreadsheet Solution](image)

  To solve for the number of years, put the cursor in cell B1 and click on \( f_x \) on the function wizard, and then select NPER in the financial category. Enter the cell locations in the appropriate rows. The labels are as indicated earlier. Insert B2 in the first row of the table (Rate), B4 in the second row (Pmt), B3 in the third row (Pv), B5 in the fourth row (Fv), and leave the last row blank. At this point a box will appear that looks something like the following:

  ![Function Arguments](image)

  Returns the number of periods for an investment based on periodic, constant payments and a constant interest rate.

  **Type** is a logical value; payment at the beginning of the period = 1; payment at the end of the period = 0 or omitted.

  **Formula result:** 2.999931353

  ![View Excel (2)](image)
Click “OK” when you are finished and the answer, 3.0, will appear in cell B1. If you press the F2 key you will see the contents of B1, which should be =NPER(B2,B4,B3,B5).

- **Solving for Interest Rates with Annuities**—The current value of an investment that will pay $300 each year for three years is $817. What rate of return (r) will the investment earn?

  - **Time Line Solution:**
    
    \[
    \begin{array}{cccc}
    0 & r = ? & 1 & 2 & 3 \\
    \hline
    & \text{300} & \text{300} & \text{300} \\
    \end{array}
    \]
    
    \[\text{PVA} = -817\]

  - **Equation (Numerical) Solution:** Using the equation developed earlier to find the present value of an ordinary annuity, we have the following:
    
    \[\text{PVA}_{n} = \text{PMT} \left[ \frac{1 - \frac{1}{(1+r)^n}}{r} \right]\]
    
    \[817 = 300 \left[ \frac{1 - \frac{1}{(1+r)^3}}{r} \right]\]

    To solve, use a trial-and-error process in which you substitute different values for r until the right side of the equation equals 817. Eventually you should find \(r = 5\%\). It is much easier to solve this problem using a financial calculator or a spreadsheet.

  - **Financial Calculator Solution:** Input values into the appropriate TVM keys.
    
    \[
    \begin{array}{cccc}
    \text{Inputs:} & 3 & ? & -817 & 300 & 0 \\
    \hline
    \text{N} & \text{I/Y} & \text{PV} & \text{PMT} & \text{FV} \\
    \end{array}
    \]
    
    \[\text{Result:} = 5.0\]

  - **Spreadsheet Solution:** The problem can be solved using the RATE function available in the spreadsheet. See the explanation given earlier. Enter the known values into the appropriate cells, and then solve for the interest rate (r) using the RATE function.

- **Solving for r with uneven cash flow streams**—if you do not have a financial calculator, you must use trial-and-error to solve for r if the cash flows are uneven. If you have a financial calculator, enter the future cash flows into the CF register as described earlier, enter the current value, or price, of the investment as CF₀ (enter the number with a negative sign, because CF₀ represents a payment), and then press the IRR key. IRR, which stands for the internal rate of return, will be discussed in detail in a later section. The solution using a spreadsheet is similar to the financial
calculator solution—the IRR function is used. Consider the cash flows given earlier—that is, \( CF_1 = 600 \), \( CF_2 = 400 \), and \( CF_3 = 200 \). What rate of return would you earn if you invested (paid) $970 today to receive these future cash flows?

- **Time Line Solution:**

  \[
  \begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c}
  \text{Time} & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\
  \hline
  \text{Cash Flow} & -970 & 600 & 400 & 200 \\
  \end{array}
  \]

- **Equation (Numerical) Solution:** The problem is set up as follows:

  \[
  970 = 600 \left[ \frac{1}{(1 + r)^1} \right] + 400 \left[ \frac{1}{(1 + r)^2} \right] + 200 \left[ \frac{1}{(1 + r)^3} \right]
  \]

  Using a trial-and-error method to solve for \( r \), you will eventually find that 13.93 percent is the correct answer.

- **Financial Calculator Solution:** Input the value of each cash flow in the cash flow register of your calculator as shown previously, except input \( CF_0 = -970 \), which represents the amount that would have to be paid to receive the future cash flows. As a result, the values in the cash flow register should be \( CF_0 = -970 \), \( CF_1 = 600 \), \( CF_2 = 400 \), and \( CF_3 = 200 \). After the cash flows have been input, press \texttt{IRR} and then press \texttt{CPT} ; the answer, 13.93 will be displayed. (These instructions are for a Texas Instruments BAII PLUS.) If you invest $970 to receive the cash flow stream given in the cash flow time line shown above, you will earn a 13.93 percent return.

- **Spreadsheet Solution:** The problem can be set up as follows:

  To solve for the rate of return on this investment, put the cursor in cell \texttt{B3} and click on the financial function named IRR. In the box that appears input the following cell locations:
The range B2:E2 contains the values of the cash flows for Year 0 through Year 3. You do not have to input a value for “guess,” which represents a number you think the return might be. When you click “OK” the answer, 13.93%, will appear in cell B3.

- **Semiannual and Other Compounding Periods**—to this point, we have assumed that interest is earned (computed) annually. In many instances, interest is computed more than once per year—that is, interest compounds, or is paid, during the year. For example, bonds generally pay interest twice each year (every six months), thus interest is compounded semiannually for such investments. In other instances, interest might be compounded more frequently—perhaps quarterly, monthly, or even daily.

Suppose that you invest $200 today in an investment that pays 8 percent interest, compounded quarterly, for a period of two years. In this case, at the end of the first quarter, which is three months from the time the investment starts, your investment account would receive its first interest payment such that the value at that time would be

\[
FV_1 = \text{Value at the end of the first quarter} = \$200 \left( 1 + \frac{0.08}{4} \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} = \$200(1.02)^{\frac{1}{4}} = \$204
\]

Each quarter, the rate paid is 2 percent. Thus, at the end of the second quarter, when the second interest payment is made, the value is

\[
FV_2 = \text{Value at the end of the second quarter} = \$204(1.02) = \$200(1.02)^2 = \$208.08
\]

In general, when computing either the present value or the future value, whether for a lump-sum amount or an annuity, you must adjust both the interest rate and the number of periods—divide the annual interest rate by the number of compounding periods in the year such that the rate represents the rate per interest period, \( r_{\text{PER}} \) (\( r_{\text{PER}} = \frac{8\%}{4} = 2\% \) per quarter in our example), and multiply the number of years by the number of compounding periods in each year, \( m \) (\( m = 4 \) in our example), such that the value represents the total number of compounding periods (interest computations) during the entire investment period, \( n_{\text{PER}} \) (\( n_{\text{PER}} = 2 \text{ years} \times 4 = 8 \) periods in our case). Applying this to the current situation, we have:

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Time Line Solution:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Quarter</th>
<th>r</th>
<th>FV</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>200.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>204.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>208.08</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>212.24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>216.49</td>
</tr>
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<td>5</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>220.82</td>
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<td>2%</td>
<td>225.23</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>229.74</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>2%</td>
<td>243.33</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

In this case, \( r = 2\% \) because the 8 percent rate is compounded quarterly, which means the rate per period is \( r_{\text{PER}} = 8\%/4 = 2\% \), and \( n_{\text{PER}} = 8 \) because there are 8 quarters in a 2-year period—that is, \( 2 \text{ years} \times 4 \text{ quarters per year} = 8 \text{ quarters} \). Using the concepts developed earlier, the solution to this problem is:

Equation (Numerical) Solution:

\[
FV = 200(1.02)^8 = 200(1.171659) = 234.33
\]

Financial Calculator Solution: Input values into the appropriate TVM keys.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Inputs:</th>
<th>Result:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>N: 8</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>I/Y: 2</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PV: -200</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PMT: 0</td>
<td>( = 234.33 )</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FV: ?</td>
<td></td>
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Spreadsheet Solution: The same adjustments that are made for the equation (numerical) solution and the financial calculator solution are required if you are using a spreadsheet. See the explanations given earlier that show how to set up the spreadsheet solution. Similar adjustments need to be made when determining the present value of a lump-sum amount, the present value of an annuity, and the future value of an annuity when compounding occurs more than once during the year—that is, the \( r \) must be stated so that it represents the rate per compounding period, \( r_{\text{PER}} \), and \( n \) must be stated so that it represents the number of compounding periods that occur during the entire investment period, \( n_{\text{PER}} \).

Effective (Equivalent) Annual Rate (\( r_{\text{EAR}} \))—When there is more than one compounding period in a year, the effective annual interest rate (\( r_{\text{EAR}} \)), which is the rate at which an investment actually increases (grows) each year, will be greater than the simple, or quoted, interest rate (\( r_{\text{SIMPLE}} \)), which is the rate used to compute the amount of interest that is paid each compounding period. For example, in our current situation, the interest payments made in the first year of the investment would be:
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Period</th>
<th>Computation</th>
<th>Interest per Period</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Quarter 1</td>
<td>$FV_1 = $200.00 \times (1.02)$</td>
<td>$4.0000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Quarter 2</td>
<td>$FV_2 = $204.00 \times (1.02)$</td>
<td>$4.0800</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Quarter 3</td>
<td>$FV_3 = $208.08 \times (1.02)$</td>
<td>$4.1616</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Quarter 4</td>
<td>$FV_4 = $212.24 \times (1.02)$</td>
<td>$4.2448</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td><strong>Total</strong> = $16.4864 \approx $16.49</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Thus, the $200 initial investment would earn interest equal to $16.4864, which means the effective, or actual, return on the investment is:

\[
\text{Effective annual rate (EAR)} = r_{\text{EAR}} = \frac{16.4864}{200.00} = 0.0824 = 8.243\%
\]

This same return occurs year after year. In general terms, we can compute the effective annual rate of return for any investment (or other situation) using the following equation:

\[
\text{Effective annual rate} = r_{\text{EAR}} = \left(1 + \frac{r_{\text{SIMPLE}}}{m}\right)^m - 1.0
\]

where \( r_{\text{SIMPLE}} \) represents the quoted (simple) rate used to compute the interest payment each period and \( m \) is the number of interest payments, or compounding periods, per year. \( r_{\text{SIMPLE}} \) is often called the annual percentage rate, APR.) Applying this equation to our example, the EAR is

\[
r_{\text{EAR}} = (1.02)^4 - 1.0 = 0.08243 = 8.243\%
\]

which is the same result we computed earlier.

The EAR can be used to compute the FV of the $200 investment, but now \( n = 2 \) years is used because we have converted the simple, non-compounded interest rate into its equivalent effective rate per year, \( r_{\text{EAR}} \). Using \( r_{\text{EAR}} \), the computation for FV would be:

\[
FV_n = PV(1 + r_{\text{EAR}})^n = $200(1.08243)^2 = $234.33
\]

which is the same result we found earlier when adjusting both the interest rate and the number of periods for the number of compounding periods in the year. Thus, we can conclude that the opportunity to earn 8 percent, compounded quarterly is the same as the opportunity to earn 8.243 percent, compounded annually, because the effective annual return of 8 percent, compounded quarterly is equal to 8.243 percent.

- **Amortized Loans**—most consumer loans, such as mortgages and automobile loans, and some business loans are amortized, which means that the loan agreement requires equal periodic payments, a portion of which constitutes interest on the debt and the remainder is applied to the repayment of the debt. It is important to understand what portion of the payment is interest and what portion is repayment of debt, because, when applicable, only the interest portion is considered an expense for tax purposes. An *amortization schedule* is used to determine what portion of the total payment is interest and what portion is repayment of principal.
To construct an amortization schedule, let’s consider the following situation: Suppose you borrow $6,655 to make repairs to your house. The terms of the loan require you to make payments every three months—that is, quarterly—(beginning in three months) for the next two years and the simple interest rate (APR) is 6 percent. The first question you should ask is: What is the amount that must be paid every six months? Using a financial calculator, the solution is:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{Inputs:} & \quad 8 \quad 1.5 \quad 6,655 \quad ? \quad 0 \\
\text{Result:} & \quad -889.00
\end{align*}
\]

Remember to adjust I/Y = r so that it represents the rate per payment period and N so that it represents the total number of payments associated with the loan.

Thus, the required loan payment each quarter is $889. Given this information, we can now construct an amortization schedule, which shows how much of each periodic payment represents payment of interest and how much is the repayment of the debt. The process is rather simple—start with the amount owed and compute the dollar interest on that amount; the principal repayment is the total periodic payment less the computed dollar interest. Because the periodic payment remains the same and the amount owed decreases each period, the amount of interest paid must decrease each period and the amount of principal repaid must increase each period. The amortization schedule for our situation is:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Period</th>
<th>Beginning Amt Owed</th>
<th>Periodic Payment</th>
<th>Interest Amount [= (1) \times 0.015 ]</th>
<th>Repayment of Principal [= (2) - (3) ]</th>
<th>Ending Amt Owed [= (1) - (4) ]</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>$6,655.00</td>
<td>$889</td>
<td>$99.83</td>
<td>$789.17</td>
<td>$5,865.83</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>5,865.83</td>
<td>889</td>
<td>87.99</td>
<td>801.01</td>
<td>5,064.82</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>5,064.82</td>
<td>889</td>
<td>75.97</td>
<td>813.03</td>
<td>4,251.79</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>4,251.79</td>
<td>889</td>
<td>63.78</td>
<td>825.22</td>
<td>3,426.57</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>3,426.57</td>
<td>889</td>
<td>51.40</td>
<td>837.60</td>
<td>2,588.97</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>2,588.97</td>
<td>889</td>
<td>38.83</td>
<td>850.17</td>
<td>1,738.80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>1,738.80</td>
<td>889</td>
<td>26.08</td>
<td>862.92</td>
<td>875.88</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>875.88</td>
<td>889</td>
<td>13.14</td>
<td>875.86</td>
<td>0.02*</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Rounding difference

The values in the above amortization schedule can be generated using your calculator. The following steps show you how to generate an amortization schedule using a Texas Instruments BAII PLUS. For more information or if you have a different type of calculator, refer to the instructions manual that came with the calculator. For the current example, follow these steps:

1. Enter the information for the amortized loan into the TVM registers as was described earlier to compute PMT = 889.
2. Enter the amortization function by pressing 2nd AMORT (“Amort” is written above the PV key, which indicates it is a secondary function). P1 = 1 is displayed, which indicates the
starting point for the amortization schedule is the first period. Press , and P2 = 1 is displayed, which indicates the ending point for the first set of computations is the first period.

3. a. Press , and BAL = 5,865.823316 is displayed. This indicates that the remaining principal balance at the end of the first quarter (three months) after the first payment is made equals $5,865.82.

b. Press , and PRN = −789.1766837 is displayed, which indicates that the amount of principal repaid in the first period is $789.18.

c. Press , and INT = −99.825 is displayed, which indicates that the amount of interest paid in the first period is $99.83.

4. Press , and P1 = 2 is displayed; then press , and P2 = 2 is displayed, which indicates that the next series of computations relate to the second payment. Follow the same procedures given in Step 3, and you should see the following results:

a. Press ; display shows BAL = 5,064.808982.

b. Press ; display shows PRN = −801.0143339.

c. Press ; display shows INT = −87.98734974.

5. Continue Step 4 and you will discover that the results for the remaining periods are the same values given previously in the table and shown in the spreadsheet that follows. If you use a financial calculator to construct a complete amortization schedule, you must repeat Step 4 for each year the loan exists—that is, Step 4 must be repeated six more times for the loan we use in this example. However, if you would like to know either the balance, principal repayment, or interest paid in a particular period, you need only set P1 and P2 equal to that period to display the desired values.

**Spreadsheet Solution:** You can set up an amortization schedule using a spreadsheet with the following relationships:

![Spreadsheet Image]

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NOTE: The $ sign is included to fix the locations of the cells that contain common values that are required for each computation so that you can use the copy command to copy the relationships from row 6 to rows 7 through 13. The numerical results should be as follows:

![Excel Spreadsheet](image)

- **Chapter 4 Summary Questions**—You should answer these questions as a summary for the chapter and to help you study for the exam.
  o Why is a dollar received today worth more than a dollar received in the future?
  o What is the concept of future value? Present value? What is the difference between the two?
  o What is the difference between an annuity, a lump-sum payment, and an uneven cash flow stream?
  o What is the difference between an ordinary annuity and an annuity due? Give examples of each type of annuity.
  o What is an amortized loan? What are its characteristics?
  o What is the effective annual rate (EAR)? How does the EAR differ from the APR (annual percentage rate)?