

# Construction Accounting and Financial Management

Chapter 15  
Time Value of Money

## Equivalence

- Cash flows have the same perceived value
- Cash flows are not equal unless they occur at the same period of time
- For example, \$100 today may be equivalent to \$105 a year from now
- Basis of banking equations in Chapter 16

## Equivalence Based Upon

- Size of the cash flows
- Timing of the cash flows
- Interest rate

## Variables

- $P$  = Present value
  - Value at beginning of period 1 (end of period 0)
- $F$  = Future value
  - Value at end of period  $n$
- $A$  = Uniform series
  - Cash flows are the same for the end of periods 1 through  $n$
  - Occurs each and every period

## Variables

- $i$  = Periodic interest rate
  - Interest rate for one period
  - Period may be month or year
- $n$  = Number of interest compounding periods
  - Must be the same length

## Single-Payment Compound-Amount Factor

- Converts a present value into a future value
- $F = P(1 + i)^n$
- What will be the value of  $P$  dollars in  $n$  years at an annual interest rate of  $i$ ?

### Single-Payment Present-Worth Factor

- Converts a future value into a present value
- $P = F/(1 + i)^n$
- How much ( $P$ ) must I set aside today to have  $F$  dollars in  $n$  years at an annual interest rate of  $i$ ?

### Uniform-Series Compound-Amount Factor

- Converts a uniform series into a future value
- $F = A[(1 + i)^n - 1]/i$
- If I set aside  $A$  dollars every year for  $n$  years, how much will I have at the end of  $n$  years at an annual interest rate of  $i$ ?
  - Saving for retirement

### Uniform-Series Sinking-Fund Factor

- Converts a future value into a uniform series
- $A = Fi/[(1 + i)^n - 1]$
- How much ( $A$ ) must I set aside each year for  $n$  years to have  $F$  dollars at the end of  $n$  years at an annual interest rate of  $i$ ?
  - Saving for retirement

### Uniform-Series Present-Worth Factor

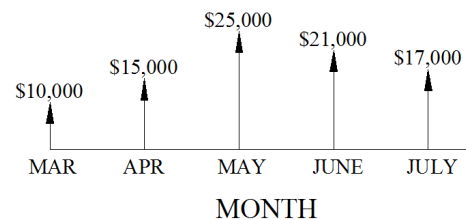
- Converts a uniform series into a present value
- $P = A[(1 + i)^n - 1]/[i(1 + i)^n]$
- How much can I pay for a home if I can afford a monthly payment of  $A$  dollars for  $n$  months at a monthly interest rate of  $i$ ?

### Uniform-series capital-recovery factor

- Converts a present value into a uniform series
- $A = P[i(1 + i)^n]/[(1 + i)^n - 1]$
- How much would my monthly payment be on a  $P$  dollar loan with a term of  $n$  months at a monthly interest rate of  $i$ ?

### Cash-flow diagrams

- Shows direction, size, and timing of cash flow



## Complex cash flows

- Cash flows occurring at the same period of time may be added or subtracted
- Use time value of money to moved all of the cash flows to the same point in time and add or subtract them

## Finding Unknown Periodic Interest Rates

- Solving by trial-and-error
- Set up equations in Excel and use the Goal Seek function to find the solution
- Cash flows that change directions more than once may have multiple solutions