

# Assignment 4

## (Solution)

Financial Mathematics  
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1. On September 1, 2021, Paul borrowed \$3000 at 12%(4). He paid \$900 on March 1, 2022, and \$1200 on December 1, 2022.

(a) What equal payments on June 1, 2023, and December 1, 2023, will be needed to settle the debt?

- Using December 1, 2023, as focal date:

$$\$3000 \left(1 + \frac{0.12}{4}\right)^9 = \$900 \left(1 + \frac{0.12}{4}\right)^7 + \$1200 \left(1 + \frac{0.12}{4}\right)^4 + X \left(1 + \frac{0.12}{4}\right)^2 + X$$

$$\rightarrow \$3000 (1.03)^9 = \$900 (1.03)^7 + \$1200 (1.03)^4 + X (1.03)^2 + X$$

$$\rightarrow X [(1.03)^2 + 1] = \$3000 (1.03)^9 - \$900 (1.03)^7 - \$1200 (1.03)^4$$

$$\Rightarrow X = \frac{\$3000 (1.03)^9 - \$900 (1.03)^7 - \$1200 (1.03)^4}{(1.03)^2 + 1} = \$706.89$$

(b) If an additional payment of \$900 was done on March 1, 2023, what will be the Pauls' outstanding balance on September 1, 2023?

- Using September 1, 2023, as focal date:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Balance}_{1\text{Sep}23} &= \$3000 \left(1 + \frac{0.12}{4}\right)^8 - \$900 \left(1 + \frac{0.12}{4}\right)^6 - \$1200 \left(1 + \frac{0.12}{4}\right)^3 \\ &\quad - \$900 \left(1 + \frac{0.12}{4}\right)^2 \\ &= \$3000 (1.03)^8 - \$900 (1.03)^6 - \$1200 (1.03)^3 - \$900 (1.03)^2 \\ &= \$459.58 \end{aligned}$$

2. On January 1, 2020, \$100 was deposited in an account paying 12% compounded monthly, for the first year, and 6%(2) for the following terms (starting on January 1, 2021). On July 1, 2021 \$100 was deposited in another account which pays 10%(1). At what time will both accounts have the same amount?

- Amount in the account 1 by July 1, 2021:

$$A_{1\text{Jul}21}^1 = \$100 \underbrace{\left(1 + \frac{0.12}{12}\right)^{12}}_{1\text{Jan}20-31\text{Dec}20} \underbrace{\left(1 + \frac{0.06}{2}\right)}_{1\text{Jan}21-30\text{Jun}21}$$

- Amount in the account 1 at any future time  $t$  (from July 1, 2021):

$$A_t^1 = \$100 (1.01)^{12} (1.03) (1.03)^{2t} = \$100 (1.01)^{12} (1.03)^{2t+1}$$

- Amount in the account 2 at any future time  $t$  (from July 1, 2021):

$$A_t^2 = \$100 (1 + 0.1)^t = \$100 (1.1)^t$$

- If the two accounts have the same amount:

$$\begin{aligned} A_t^1 = A_t^2 &\iff \$100 (1.01)^{12} (1.03)^{2t+1} = \$100 (1.1)^t \\ &\iff (1.01)^{12} = \frac{(1.1)^t}{(1.03)^{2t+1}} \\ &\iff 12 \log(1.01) = t \log(1.1) - (2t + 1) \log(1.03) \\ &\iff 12 \log(1.01) + \log(1.03) = t [\log(1.1) - 2 \log(1.03)] \\ &\iff t = \frac{12 \log(1.01) + \log(1.03)}{\log(1.1) - 2 \log(1.03)} = 4.11583\dots \end{aligned}$$

– It corresponds roughly to 1502 days after July 1, 2021. Then the two accounts will have approximately an equal amount on August 11, 2025.

3. A deposit of \$1000 made 3.5 years ago, generates a current amount of \$1581.72. Find the nominal interest rate interest compounded quarterly for this saving account.

$$\begin{aligned} A_t = P \left(1 + \frac{i}{m}\right)^{mt} &\implies \$1581.72 = \$1000 \left(1 + \frac{i}{4}\right)^{4 \cdot (3.5)} = \$1000 \left(1 + \frac{i}{4}\right)^{14} \\ &\implies \frac{1581.72}{1000} = \left(1 + \frac{i}{4}\right)^{14} \\ &\implies i = 4 \left[ \left(\frac{1581.72}{1000}\right)^{1/14} - 1 \right] = 13.75\% \end{aligned}$$

- The saving account has a interest rate equivalent to 13.75% (4).