

0.2 Scientific Python

- optimized for vectorized operations, using NumPy arrays (runs near machine speed, even though it's an interpreted language)
- SciPy package has functionality most aspects of scientific computing

Practically: install Anaconda package

↳ SciPy libraries included

↳ spyder editor (development environment)

rec. for HW submission

↳ jupyter notebooks (editor + comment (mark up) + run code fragments separately)

For homework: always submit .py files

(If you use jupyter notebooks, export them as .py files.)

1. Basics of Financial Math

1.1 Time Value of Money

r = annual interest rate, FV = future value, PV = present value

After n years interest compounds: $FV = PV(1+r)^n$

(the "value" of money changes over time) $\Leftrightarrow PV = FV(1+r)^{-n}$

If interest is compounded m times per year: $FV = PV\left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{n \cdot m}$

Terminology: • BEY (bond equivalent yield)

↳ annualized yield, compounded semiannually (twice a year, $m=2$)

• MEY (mortgage equivalent yield)

↳ annualized yield, compounded monthly ($m=12$)

Q.: How to compare financial instruments with different compounding standards?

A.: Compare to an effective annual interest rate r_{eff} :

$$(1+r_{\text{eff}})^n = \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{n \cdot m} \Rightarrow 1+r_{\text{eff}} = \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^m$$

$$\Rightarrow r_{\text{eff}} = \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^m - 1$$

Example: $r=10\%$, BEY

$$\Rightarrow r_{\text{eff}} = \left(1 + \frac{0.1}{2}\right)^2 - 1 = 0.1025 = 10.25\%$$

Is r_{eff} always bigger than r ? ($m \geq 1$)

$$r_{\text{eff}} = \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^m - 1 = 1 + m \frac{r}{m} + \underbrace{\text{rest}}_{\geq 0 \text{ for } r \geq 0} - 1 \geq r \quad \text{Yes (for } r \geq 0)$$

$\underbrace{(1+x)^m \geq 1+mx}_{\text{Bernoulli's inequality}}$ holds for $x > -1$, so $r_{\text{eff}} \geq r$ even for $\frac{r}{m} > -1$

One often useful idealization is continuous compounding, i.e., take limit $m \rightarrow \infty$.

$$\Rightarrow FV = PV \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{n \cdot m}$$

$$= PV \left[\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^m \right]^n$$

$$= e^r = \exp(r) \text{ exponential function}$$

$$= PV (e^r)^n$$

$$\Rightarrow FV = PV e^{rn}$$

1.2 General Cash Flows

n years, r yearly interest rate \leftarrow In our idealization this is fixed (for whole period under consideration)

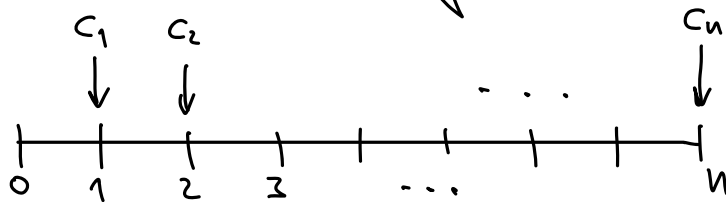
Suppose at the end of the year j , there is a cash flow C_j .

Then
$$PV = \frac{C_1}{1+r} + \frac{C_2}{(1+r)^2} + \dots + \frac{C_n}{(1+r)^n} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{C_j}{(1+r)^j}.$$

Note: Future value after n years

$$FV_n = C_1(1+r)^{n-1} + C_2(1+r)^{n-2} + \dots + C_n = \sum_{j=1}^n C_j(1+r)^{n-j}$$

Ex.: Financial instrument paying C_j at end of each year to you.



$$PV = \text{price of such an instrument} = \frac{C_1}{1+r} + \frac{C_2}{(1+r)^2} + \dots + \frac{C_n}{(1+r)^n}$$

$$FV_n = \text{value of financial instrument at end of } n \text{ years} = PV(1+r)^n.$$

In python, how do we evaluate polynomials, such as $\sum_{j=1}^n C_j x^j$, with $x = \frac{1}{1+r}$?

- explicit "for" loop (discouraged, very slow)

- best: vectorized operations

define vector $j = \text{arange}(1, n+1)$ ($= (1, \dots, n)$)

use given vector $C = (C_1, \dots, C_n)$

we compute new vector $x^{**j} = (x^1, x^2, \dots, x^n)$

number to the power of a vector

(does not make mathematical sense, but in python it is

interpreted component-wise)

use dot product (scalar product) to evaluate sum: $PV = \text{dot}(C, x^{**j})$

- Horner's scheme:

$$PV = \left(\dots \left((C_n x + C_{n-1}) x + C_{n-2} \right) x \dots + C_1 \right) x$$

(fewer operations than explicit loop)

- polyval (fct. from SciPy), uses optimized version of Horner's scheme

Special case of a cash flow: Annuity: yearly payments, all $C_j = C$.

Types:

- ordinary annuity (usually assumed): pays C at end of the year

$$FV = \sum_{j=1}^n C (1+r)^{n-j} = C \underbrace{\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (1+r)^i}_{\text{geometric series}}$$

\downarrow
 $i := n-j$

Recall: $x \sum_{i=0}^N x^i = \sum_{i=0}^N x^{i+1} = \sum_{i=1}^{N+1} x^i = \sum_{i=0}^N x^i - 1 + x^{N+1}$

$$\Rightarrow (x-1) \sum_{i=0}^N x^i = x^{N+1} - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=0}^N x^i = \frac{x^{N+1} - 1}{x - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow FV = C \frac{(1+r)^n - 1}{1+r-1} = C \frac{(1+r)^n - 1}{r}$$

- annuity due: pays at beginning of year

$$FV = C \sum_{i=1}^n (1+r)^i = C(1+r) \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (1+r)^i = C(1+r) \frac{(1+r)^n - 1}{r}$$

- general (ordinary) annuity: m payments per year (at end of period)

$$FV = C \sum_{i=0}^{nm-1} \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^i = C m \left(\frac{\left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{nm} - 1}{r} \right)$$

$$PV = \sum_{j=1}^{nm} C \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{-j} = C \sum_{j=1}^{nm} \left(\frac{1}{1 + \frac{r}{m}}\right)^j$$

$$= C \frac{1}{1 + \frac{r}{m}} \sum_{j=0}^{nm-1} \left(\frac{1}{1 + \frac{r}{m}}\right)^j$$

$$= C \frac{1}{1 + \frac{r}{m}} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{-nm} - 1}{\frac{1}{1 + \frac{r}{m}} - 1}$$

$$= C \frac{\left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{-nm} - 1}{1 - \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)}$$

recall $\sum_{i=0}^N x^i = \frac{x^{N+1} - 1}{x - 1}$,

here: $N = nm - 1$, $x = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{r}{m}}$

$$\Rightarrow PV = Cm \left(\frac{1 - \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{-nm}}{r} \right)$$

- perpetual annuity: pays C every period (end of year) forever

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty}$ in general ordinary annuity

$$\Rightarrow PV = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{Cm}{r} \left(1 - \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^{-nm}\right) = \frac{Cm}{r}, \text{ assuming } r > 0.$$