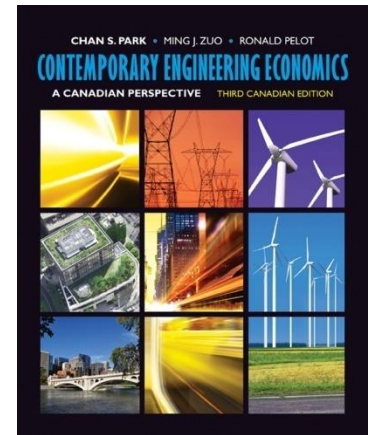


# Equivalence Analysis Using Effective Interest Rates



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# Lecture 9 Objectives

- How do you perform equivalence analysis with effective interest rates?

# When Payment Period Is Equal to Compounding Period $\sim M=K$ $C=1$

- Step 1: Identify the number of **compounding periods** ( $M$ ) per year.
- Step 2: Compute the **effective interest rate per payment period** ( $i$ ).

$$i = r/M$$

- Step 3: Determine the total number of payment periods ( $N$ ).

$$N = \underline{M} \times (\text{number of years})$$

$$K = \text{payment \# / year}$$
$$M = \text{Comp \# / yr}$$

# Example 4.4: Calculating Auto Loan Payments

## ■ Given:

MSRP

\$23,798

Dealer's discount

\$1,143 ✓

Manufacturer rebate

\$800 ✓

University graduate cash discount

\$500 ✓

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Sale price

\$21,355

Down payment = \$6,355

Dealer's interest rate = 6.25% APR (monthly compounding)

Length of financing = 72 months

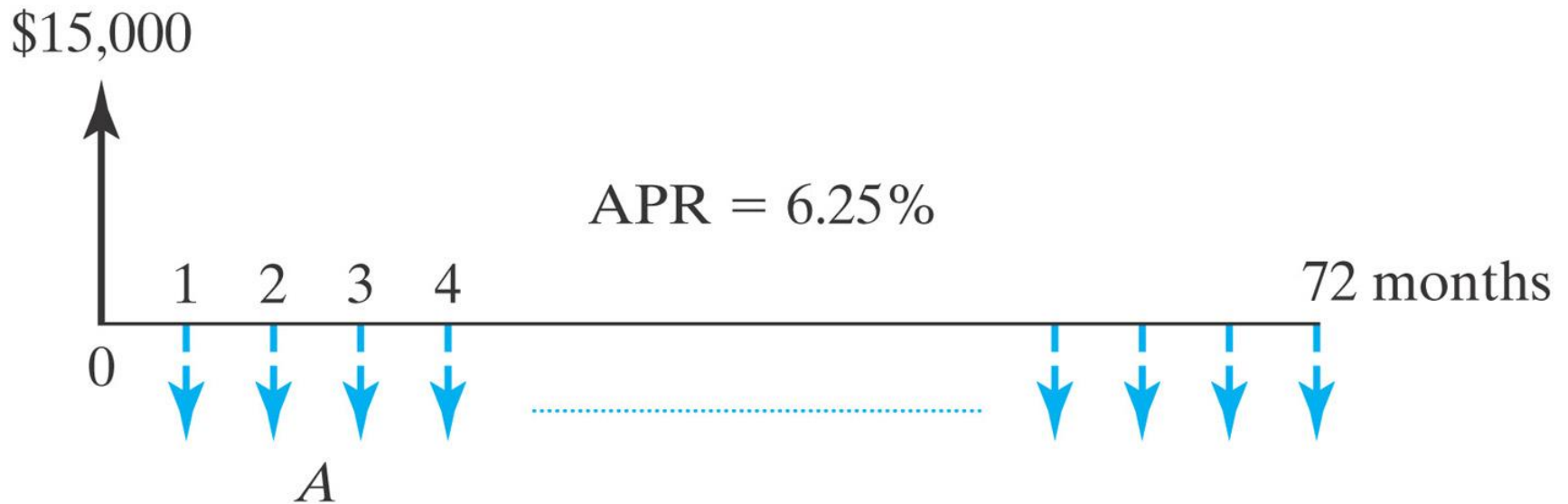
## ■ Find: the monthly payment (A)

\$15,000

$M = 12$   
 $i_e = \frac{6.25\%}{12}$   
Monthly

$$A = P \cdot \left( \frac{A}{P}, 0.5208\%, 72 \right)$$
$$= 15000 \times 0.0167 = \$250.37$$

# Example 4.4: Solution



Step 1:  $M = 12$

Step 2:  $i = r/M = 6.25\%/12 = 0.5208\%$  per month

Step 3:  $N = (12)(6) = 72$  months

Step 4:  $A = \$15,000(A/P, 0.5208\%, 72) =$  **\$250.37**

# Compounding Occurs at a Different Frequency from the Payment Frequency

■ We will consider two situations:

- 1) compounding is more frequent than payments
- 2) compounding is less frequent than payments (less popular)

# Compounding Occurs at a Different Rate Than That at Which Payments Are Made

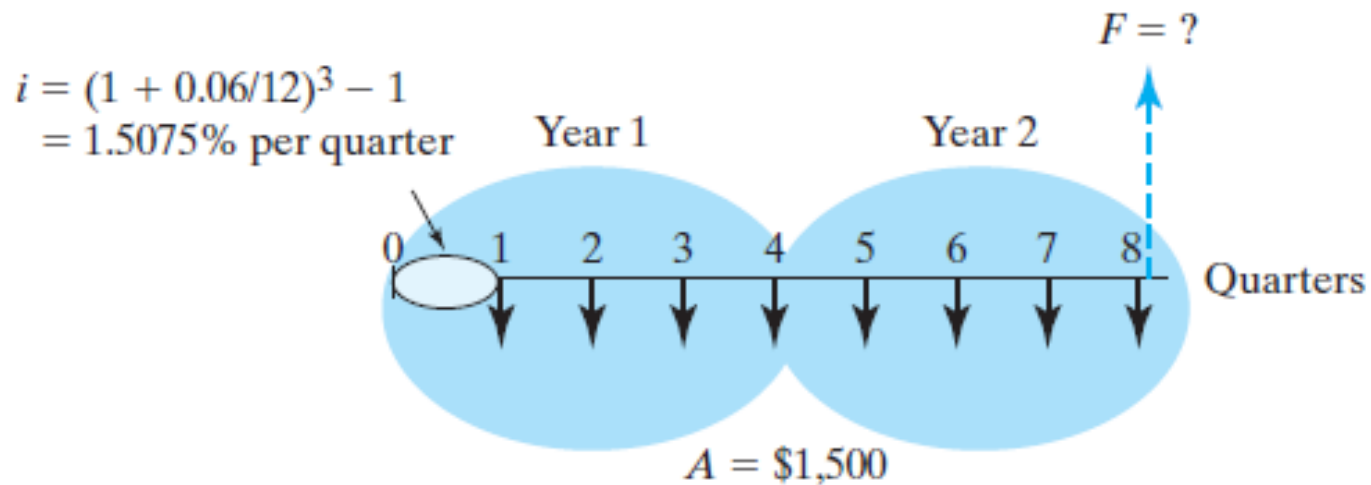
- **Step 1:** Identify the following parameters.
  - $M$  = number of compounding periods
  - $K$  = number of payment periods
  - $C$  = number of interest periods per payment period
- **Step 2:** Compute the effective interest rate per payment period.
  - For discrete compounding
$$i = [1 + r / M]^C - 1$$

*← either*
  - For continuous compounding
$$i = e^{r / K} - 1$$

*← or*
- **Step 3:** Find the total number of payment periods
$$N = \underline{K} \times (\text{number of years})$$
- **Step 4:** Use  $i$  and  $N$  in the appropriate compounding formula.

## Example 4.5: Compounding Occurs More Frequently Than Payments Are Made (Discrete-Compounding Case)

- Suppose you make equal quarterly deposits of \$1,500 into a fund that pays interest at a rate of 6% compounded monthly. Find the balance at the end of year 2.



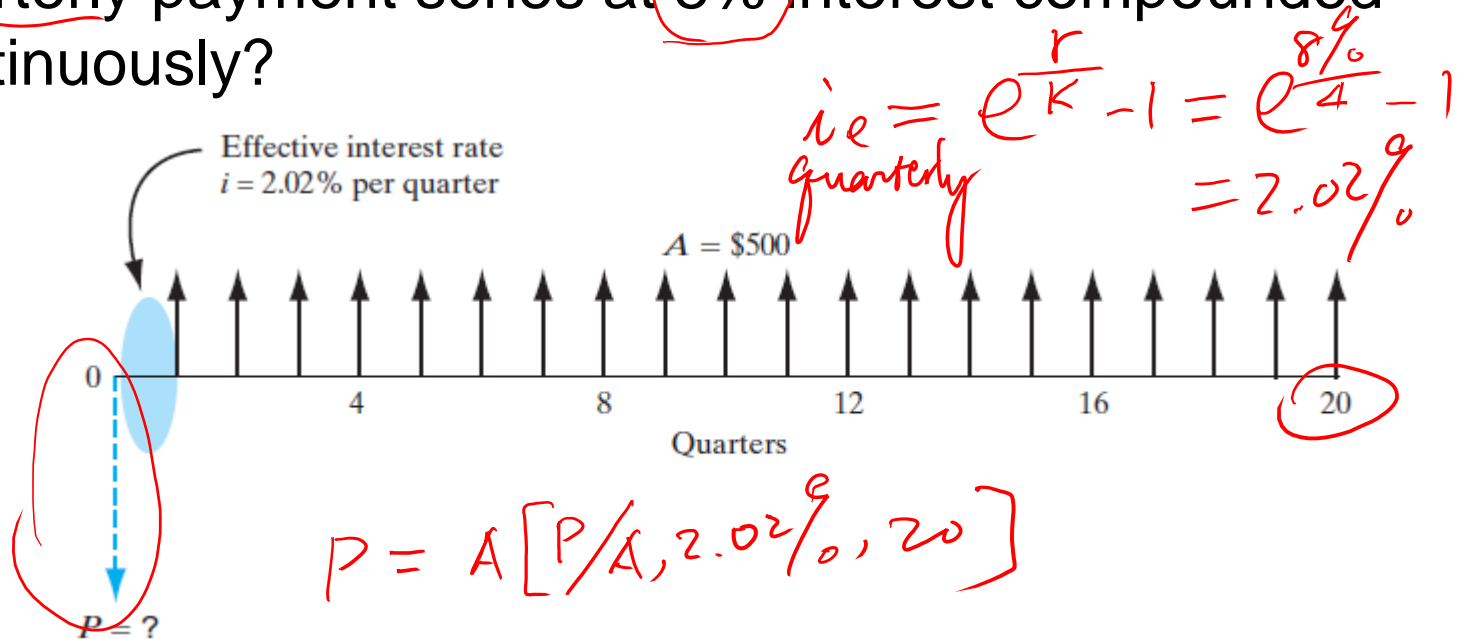


## Example 4.5: Solution

- **Given:**  $A = \$1,500$  per quarter,  $r = 6\%$  per year,  $M = 12$  compounding periods per year, and  $N = 8$  quarters.
- **Find:**  $F$
- Step 1:  $M = 12$  compounding periods/year  
 $K = 4$  payment periods/year  
 $C = 3$  interest periods per quarter
- Step 2:  $i = \left(1 + \frac{0.06}{12}\right)^3 - 1 = 1.5075\%$  per quarter
- Step 3:  $N = (4)(2) = 8$
- Step 4:  $F = \$1500 (F/A, 1.5075\%, 8) = \$12,652.60$

## Example 4.6: Compounding Occurs More Frequently Than Payments Are Made (Continuous-Compounding Case)

- A series of equal quarterly receipts of \$500 extends over a period of five years. What is the present worth of this quarterly payment series at 8% interest compounded continuously?

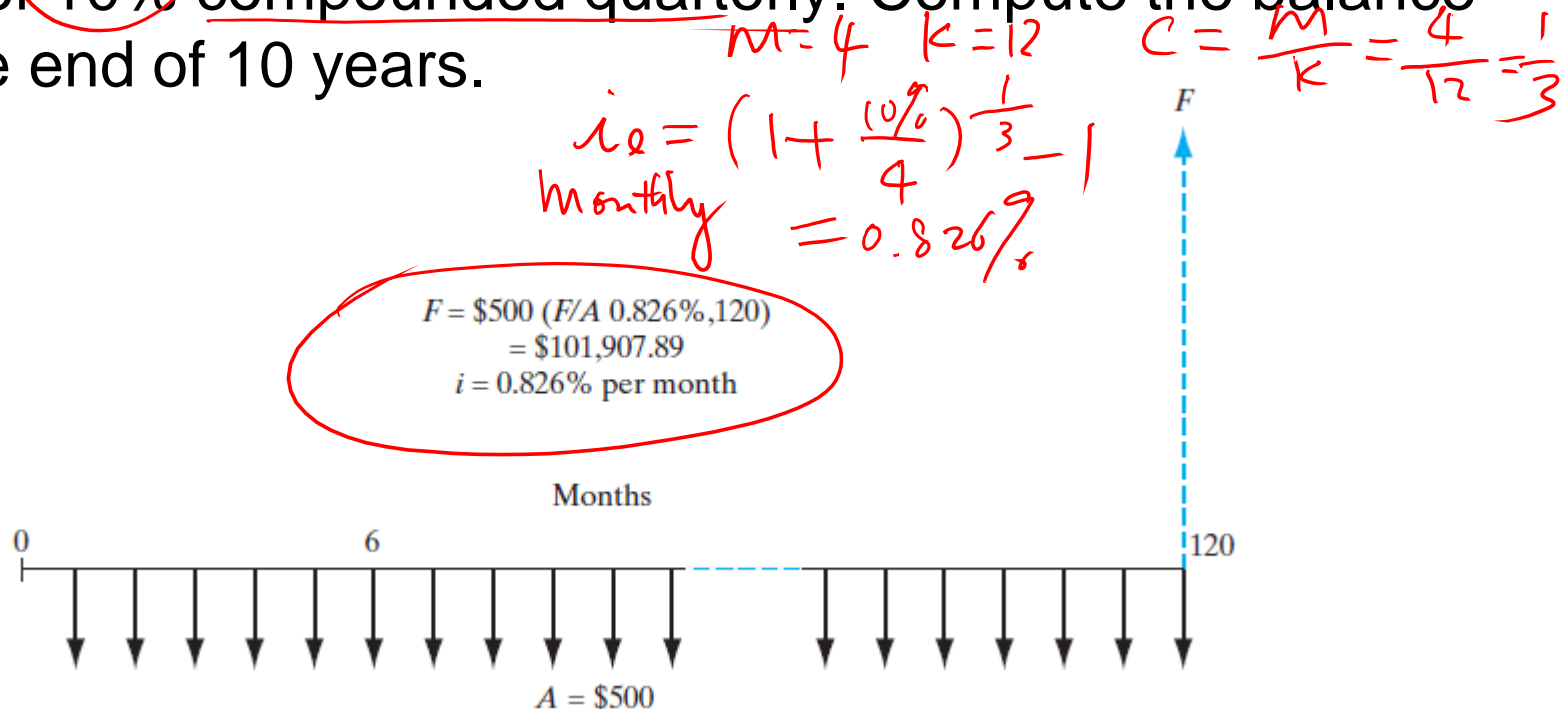


## Example 4.6: Solution

- **Given:**  $A = \$500$  per quarter,  $r = 8\%$  per year, and  $N = 20$  quarters.
- **Find:**  $P$
- Step 1:  $K = 4$  payment periods/year  
 $C = \infty$  interest periods per quarter
- Step 2:  $i = e^{r/K} - 1 = e^{0.08/4} - 1 = \underline{2.02\%}$  per quarter
- Step 3:  $N = (4)(5) = 20$
- Step 4:  $P = \$500 (P/A, 2.02\%, 20) = \$8,159.96$   
$$\left[ \frac{(1+i)^N - 1}{i(1+i)^N} \right] = 16.32$$

## Example 4.7: Compounding Is Less Frequent Than Payments: Effective Interest Rate per Payment Period

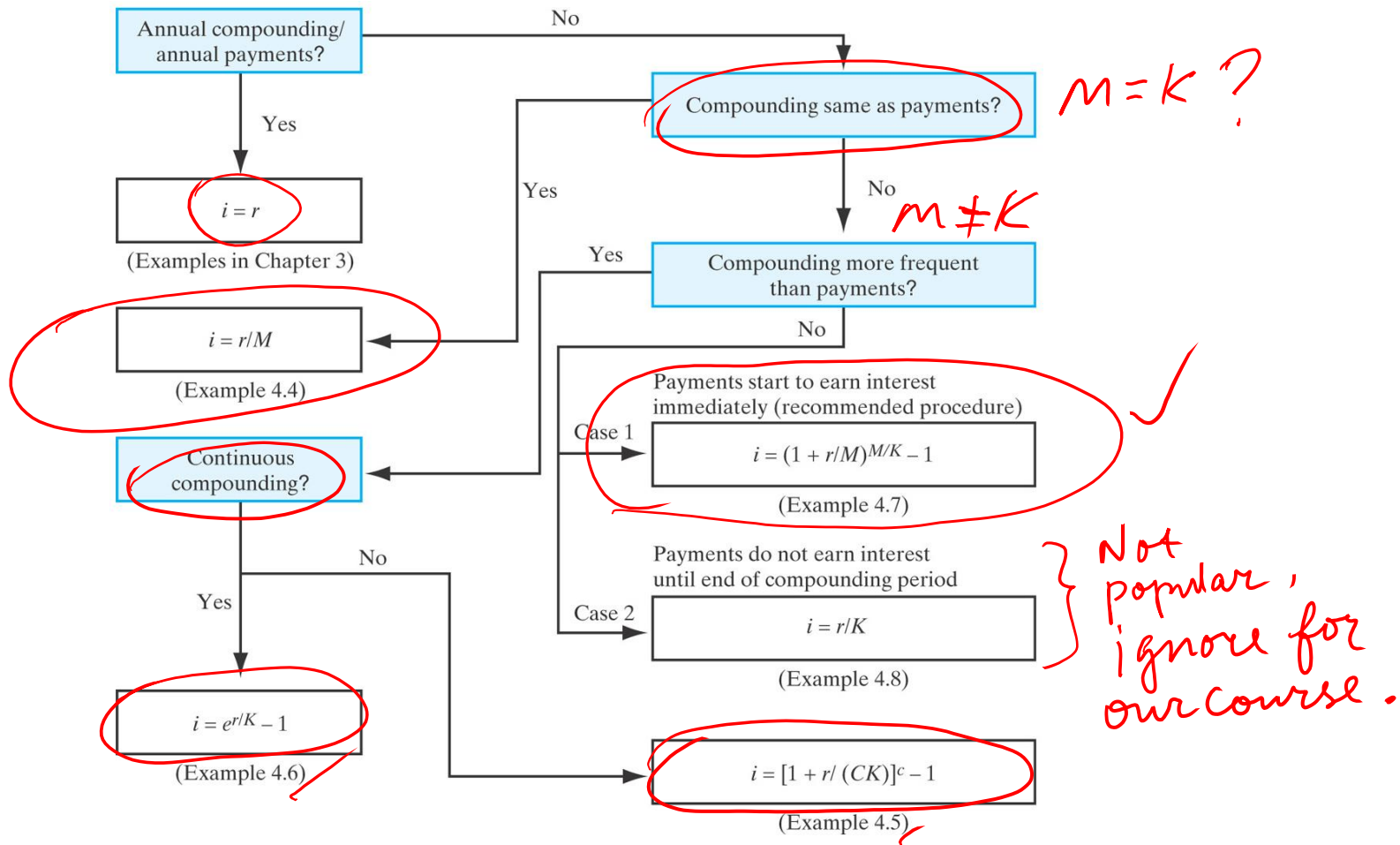
- Suppose you make \$500 monthly deposits to a registered retirement savings plan (RRSP) that pays interest at a rate of 10% compounded quarterly. Compute the balance at the end of 10 years.



## Example 4.7: Solution

- **Given:**  $A = \$500$  per month,  $r = 10\%$  per year,  $M = 4$  compounding periods per year,  $K = 12$  payment periods per year,  $N = 8$  quarters, and interest is accrued during the compounding period.
- **Find:**  $F$
- Step 1:  $M = 4$  compounding periods/year  
 $K = 12$  payment periods/year  
 $C = 1/3$  interest periods per quarter
- Step 2:  $i = \left(1 + \frac{0.10}{4}\right)^{1/3} - 1 = 0.826\%$  per month
- Step 3:  $N = (12)(10) = 120$
- Step 4:  $F = \$500 (F/A, 0.826\%, 120) = \$101,907.89$

# A Decision Flow Chart on How to Compute the Effective Interest Rate per Payment Period

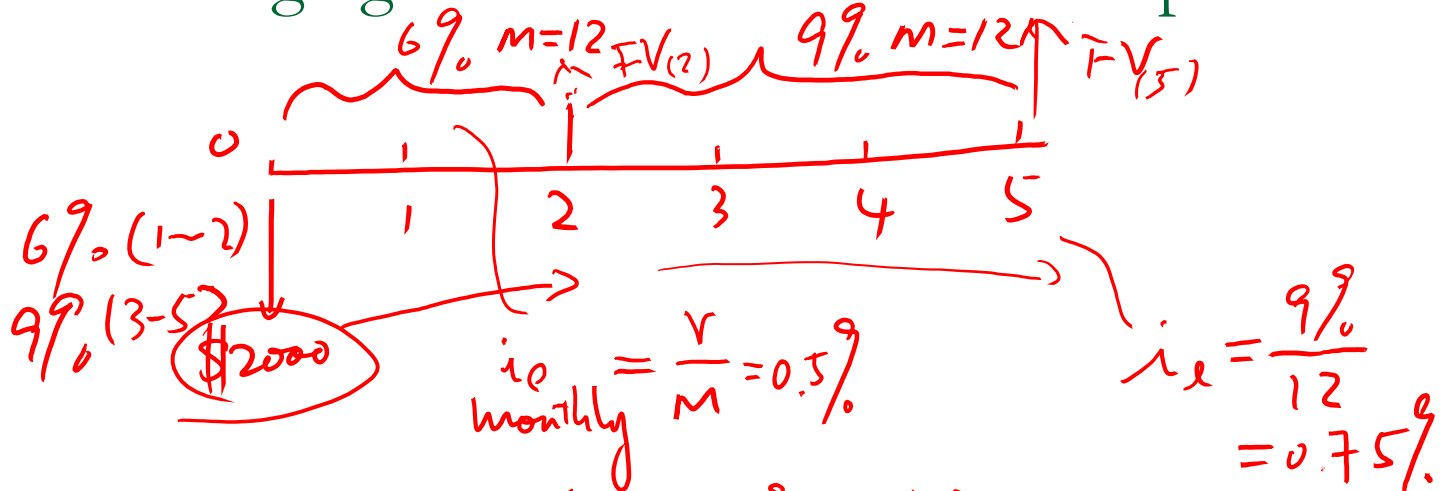


# Changing Interest Rates

- When an equivalence calculation extends over several years, more than one interest rate may be applicable to properly account for the time value of money.
- We will consider variable interest rates in both
  - a) single payments
  - b) single payments and a series of cash flows.

## Example 4.10: Changing Interest Rates with a Lump-Sum Amount

- RRSP
- APR



$$FV(2^{nd}) = P \cdot (F/P, 0.5\%, 24) = 2000 \times 1.12706 = \$2254$$

$$\begin{aligned} FV(5^{th}) &= FV(2^{nd}) \cdot (F/P, 0.75\%, 36) \\ &= \$2254 \times 1.3086 \\ &= \$2950 \end{aligned}$$

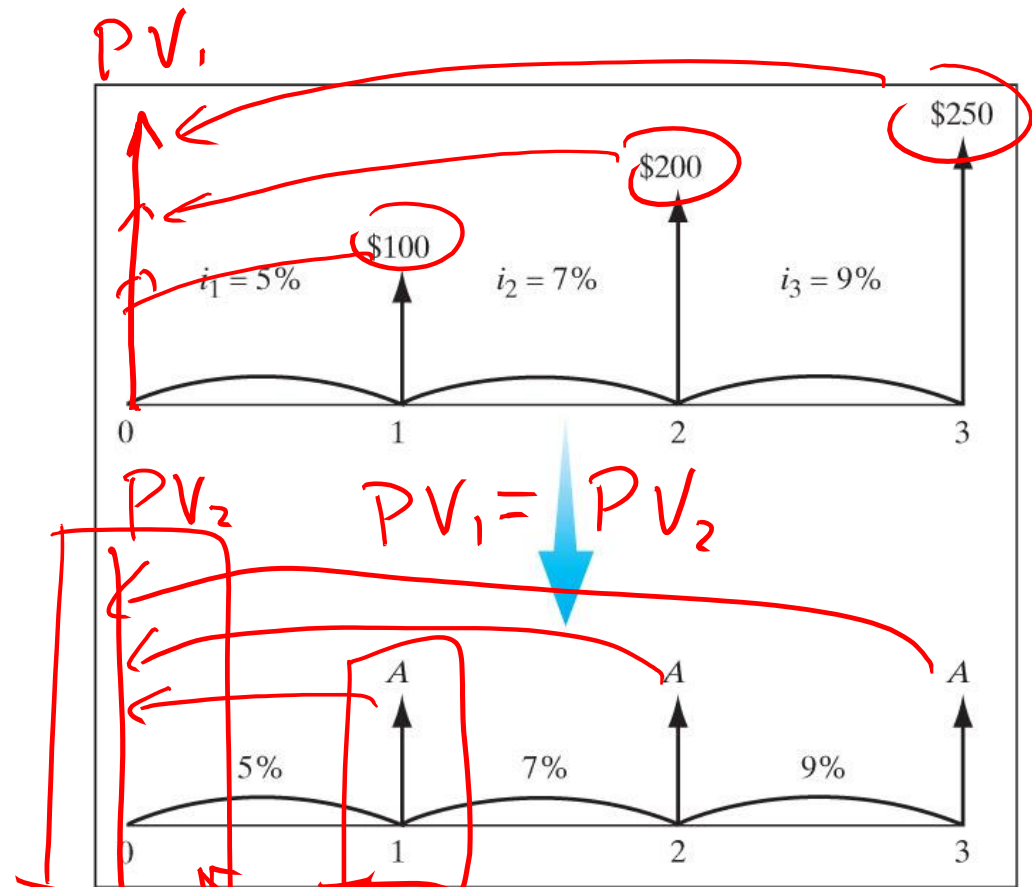


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## Example 4.10: Solution

## Example 4.11: Changing Interest Rates with Uneven Cash Flow Series

- Consider the cash flows in Figure 4.13 with the interest rates indicated. Determine the uniform series equivalent of the given cash flow series.



**Figure 4.13** Equivalence calculation with changing interest rates (Example 4.11).

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# Example 4.11: Solution

- **Given:** The cash flows and the interest rates.
- **Find:** A
- Set the present worth of the first cash flow series equal to the present worth of the second cash flow series.

Using Eq. (4.9), we find the present worth:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= \$100(P/F, 5\%, 1) + \$200(P/F, 5\%, 1)(P/F, 7\%, 1) \\
 &\quad + \$250(P/F, 5\%, 1)(P/F, 7\%, 1)(P/F, 9\%, 1) \\
 &= \$477.41.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then we obtain the uniform series equivalent as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \$477.41 &= A(P/F, 5\%, 1) + A(P/F, 5\%, 1)(P/F, 7\%, 1) \\
 &\quad + A(P/F, 5\%, 1)(P/F, 7\%, 1)(P/F, 9\%, 1) \\
 &= 2.6591A \\
 A &= \$179.54.
 \end{aligned}$$

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} Time-shifting

## Extra Example: Changing interest rate

- Over the past three years, you have been making monthly deposits of \$1000 each. The interest rates you have earned from this account have been 6% in year 1, 5% in year 2, and 4% in year 3 (all based on monthly compounding). What is the balance today?
- Answer: \$38,496.53

$$FV = A_1 (F/A, \underline{0.5\%}, 12)$$

$$\cdot (F/p, \underline{0.4167\%}, 12)$$

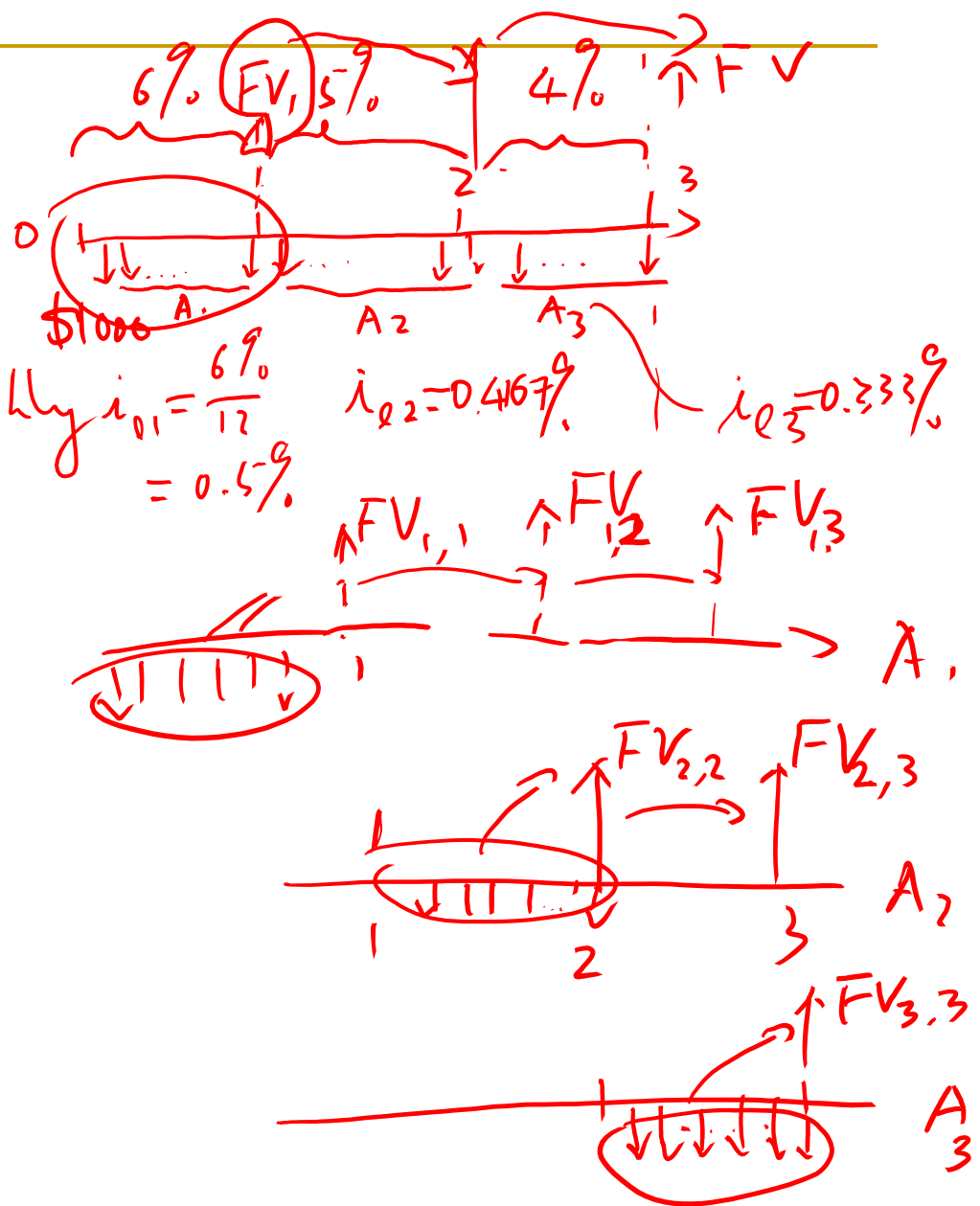
$$\cdot (F/p, \underline{0.333\%}, 12)$$

$$+ A_2 (F/A, \underline{0.4167\%}, 12)$$

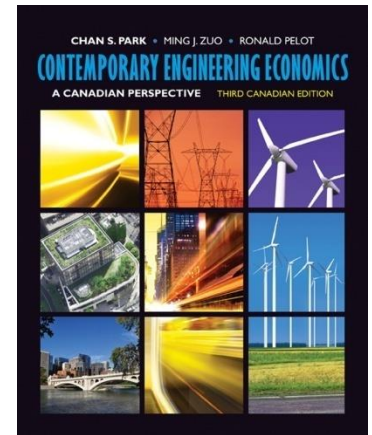
$$\cdot (F/p, \underline{0.333\%}, 12)$$

$$+ A_3 (F/A, \underline{0.333\%}, 12)$$

$$= \$38,496 - 52$$



# Summary



In any equivalence problem, the interest rate to use is the **effective interest rate** per payment period.