

Attendance



Discounting Factor

The discount factor captures the extent to which the future value will be discounted to the present value (PV)

\$100 today > \$100 in a year

CLV Calculation: Discounting

Future cash flow has smaller current value



CLV Calculation: Discounting

Given the discount rate, present value can be calculated as

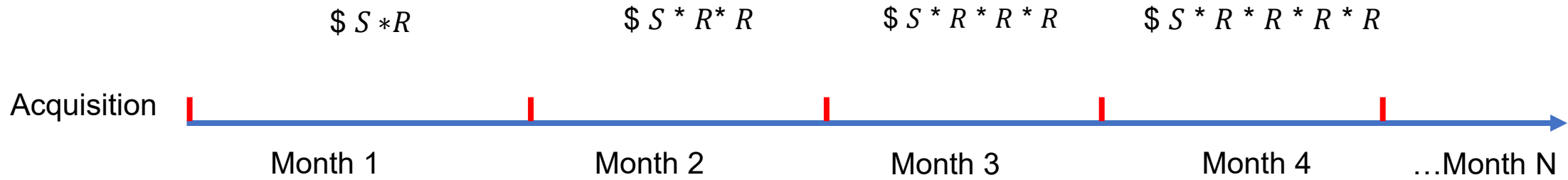
$$\text{Discount Rate} = \frac{\text{Future Value}}{\text{Present Value}} - 1$$

$$\text{Present Value} = \frac{\text{Future Value}}{\text{Discount Rate} + 1}$$

Lecture 4

CLV Calculation: Discounting

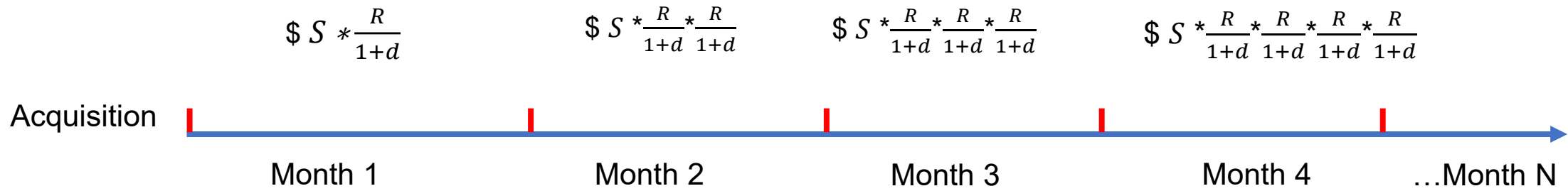
Assume the discount rate as d



$$S * R + S * R * R + S * R * R * R + \dots + S R^N$$

CLV Calculation: Discounting

Assume the discount rate as d



$$\$ S * \frac{R}{1+d} + \$ S * \frac{R}{1+d} * \frac{R}{1+d} + \$ S * \frac{R}{1+d} * \frac{R}{1+d} * \frac{R}{1+d} + \dots + S \left(\frac{R}{1+d} \right)^N$$

CLV Calculation: Discounting

Full derivation

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{n=1}^N S \left(\frac{R}{1+d} \right)^n &= S \frac{R}{1+d} + S \frac{R^2}{(1+d)^2} + S \frac{R^3}{(1+d)^3} + \dots + S \frac{R^N}{(1+d)^N} \\&= S \left(\frac{R}{1+d} + \frac{R^2}{(1+d)^2} + \frac{R^3}{(1+d)^3} + \dots + \frac{R^N}{(1+d)^N} \right) \\&= S \frac{\left(\frac{R}{1+d} + \frac{R^2}{(1+d)^2} + \frac{R^3}{(1+d)^3} + \dots + \frac{R^N}{(1+d)^N} \right) \left(1 - \frac{R}{1+d} \right)}{1 - \frac{R}{1+d}} \\&= S \frac{\frac{R}{1+d} - \frac{R^2}{(1+d)^2} + \frac{R^2}{(1+d)^2} - \frac{R^3}{(1+d)^3} + \frac{R^3}{(1+d)^3} + \dots - \frac{R^N}{(1+d)^N} + \frac{R^N}{(1+d)^N} - \frac{R^{N+1}}{(1+d)^{N+1}}}{1 - \frac{R}{1+d}} \\&= S \frac{\frac{R}{1+d} - \frac{R^{N+1}}{(1+d)^{N+1}}}{1 - \frac{R}{1+d}} = S \frac{R - \frac{R^{N+1}}{(1+d)^N}}{1 + d - R} \approx S \frac{R}{1 + d - R}\end{aligned}$$

CLV Calculation: Calculation Example

Let's consider the following case:

- Monthly margin: \$1000
- Retention rate per month: 90%
- Discount rate per month: 10%

What is the customer lifetime value?

$$S \frac{R}{1-R} = 1000 * \frac{90\%}{1-90\%} = 9000$$

$$S \frac{R}{1-R} = 1000 * \frac{90\%}{1+10\%-90\%} = 4500$$

CLV Calculation: Calculation Example

Let's consider the following case:

- Monthly margin: \$1000
- Retention rate per week: 96%
- Discount rate per week: 4%

CLV Calculation: Marketing Efforts

However consumers' spending and return are influenced by marketing efforts



CLV Calculation: Marketing Efforts

Let's assume that firms' promotion spending is p

Let's assume that consumers' margin is a function of p

$$S = S_0 + \alpha * p$$

CLV Calculation: Marketing Efforts

Let's assume that firms' promotion spending is p

Let's assume that consumers' margin is a function of p

$$S = S_0 + \alpha * p$$

For example

$$S = 40 + 2 * p$$

CLV Calculation: Marketing Efforts

Let's assume that firms' promotion spending is p

Let's assume that consumers' margin is a function of p

$$S = S_0 + \alpha * p$$

For example

$$S = 40 + 2 * p$$

$$S = 42 \text{ when } p = 1$$

$$S = 44 \text{ when } p = 2$$

CLV Calculation: Marketing Efforts

We can now express CLV as a function of promotion spending

$$CLV = (S_0 + \alpha * p) \frac{R}{1 + d - R}$$

How can we make use of it?

CLV Calculation: Marketing Efforts

We can use the CLV to derive optimal promotion

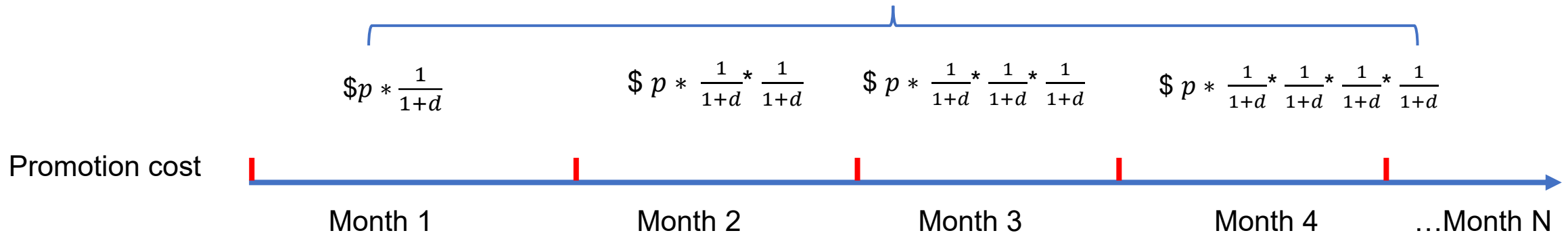
$$CLV = (S_0 + \alpha * p) \frac{R}{1 + d - R}$$

CLV Calculation: Marketing Efforts

We previously assume that consumers' spending and retention are as given

$$CLV = (S_0 + \alpha * p) \frac{R}{1 + d - R} -$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^N p \left(\frac{1}{1+d} \right)^n$$



CLV Calculation: Marketing Efforts

Calculate the marketing efforts

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{n=1}^N p\left(\frac{1}{1+d}\right)^n &= p\left(\frac{1}{1+d} + \frac{1}{1+d}^2 + \frac{1}{1+d}^3 + \cdots + \frac{1}{1+d}^N\right) \\ &= p \frac{\frac{1}{1+d} - \frac{1}{1+d}^{N+1}}{1 - \frac{1}{1+d}} \\ &= p \frac{1 - \frac{1}{1+d}^N}{d} \\ &= p \frac{1}{d}\end{aligned}$$

CLV Calculation: Marketing Efforts

We will have the net value as

$$CLV = (S_0 + \alpha * p) \frac{R}{1 + d - R} - \frac{p}{d}$$

CLV Calculation: Calculation Example

Let's consider the following case:

- Monthly margin: \$1000
- Retention rate per month: 90%
- Discount rate per month: 10%
- Promotion return α : 2

Suppose you can invest \$100 per month vs \$200 per month, which one is better?

CLV Calculation: Marketing Efforts

Let's assume that firms' customer relationship management spending is q

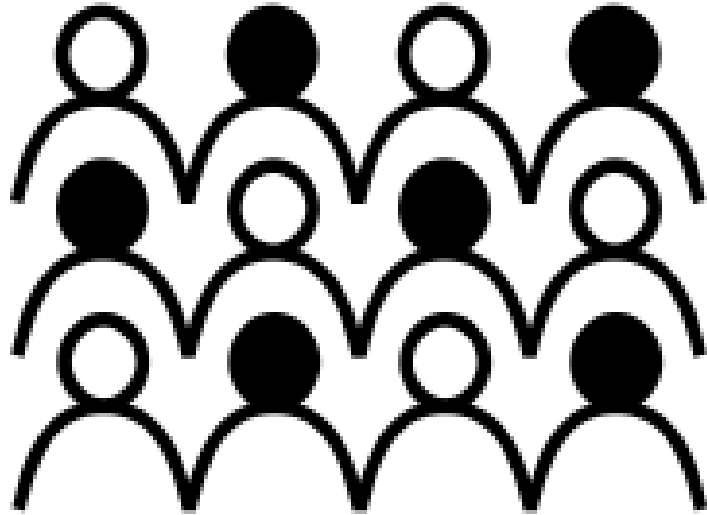
Let's assume that consumers' return rate is a function of q

$$R = R_0 + \beta * q$$

Please derive the net value

CLV Calculation: Heterogeneity

Consumers are very different



CLV Calculation: Heterogeneity

Within the CLV equation, what can be different across consumers?

$$CLV \approx S \frac{R}{1 + d - R}$$

CLV Calculation: Heterogeneity

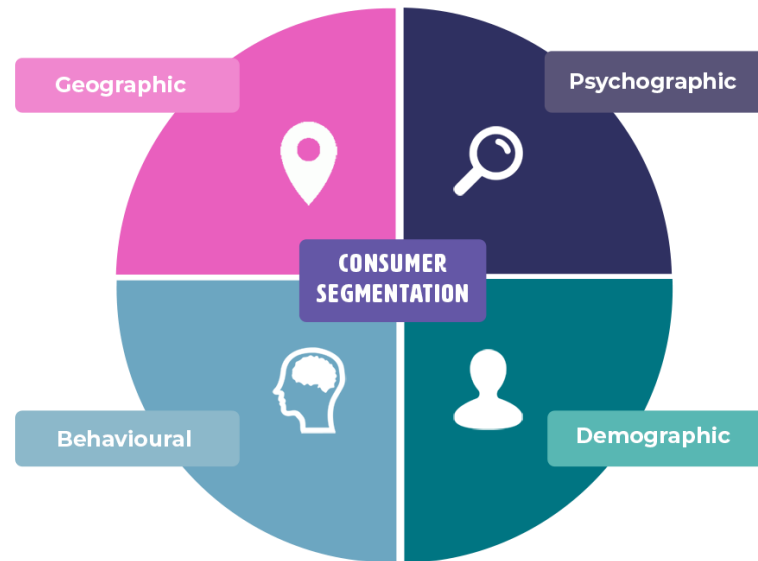
Within the CLV equation, what can be difference across consumers?

- Margin can be different
- Retention rate can be different

$$CLV \approx S \frac{R}{1 + d - R}$$

CLV Calculation: Heterogeneity

We can infer consumers' heterogeneity from observed characteristics



CLV Calculation: Heterogeneity

An example of heterogeneity: online dating market

CLV Calculation: Heterogeneity

We can use this heterogeneity to do segmentation, targeting, and positioning

