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Discounting and Discount Factors

To discount future cash flows for analysis or valuation purposes we simply need to work backwards through the time value of money formula:

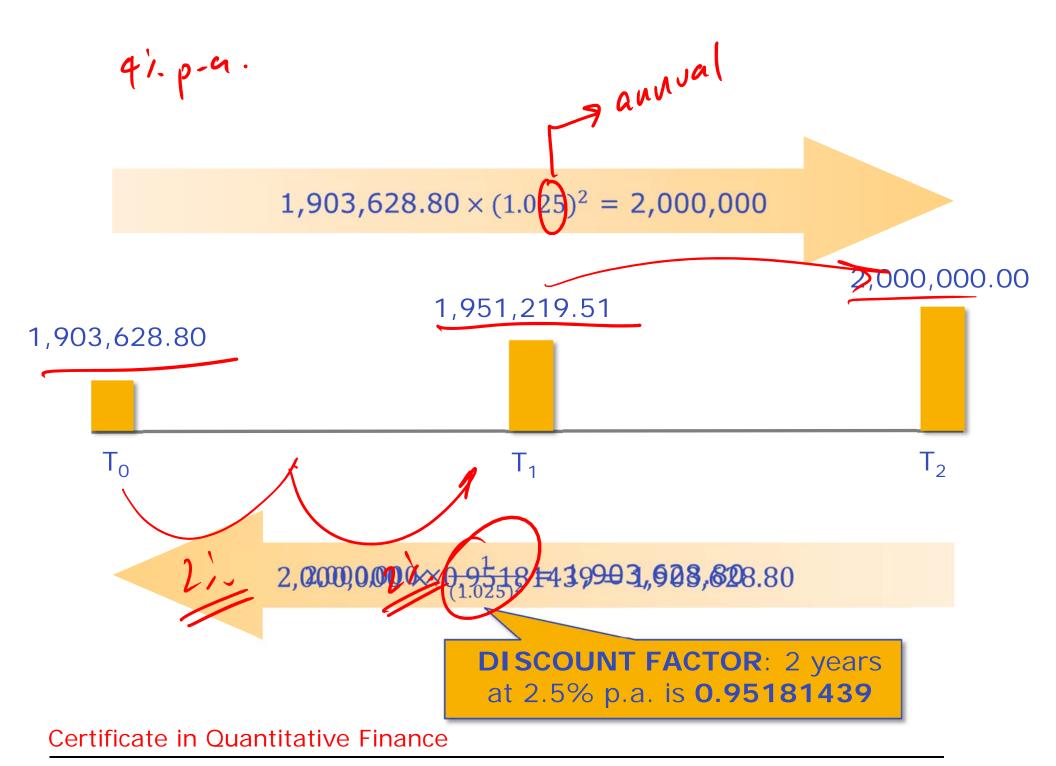
•
$$PV = \frac{TV}{(1+r)^n}$$

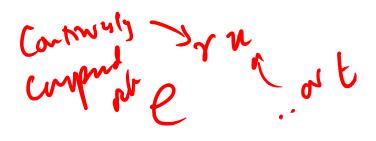
This would give us the value today of a cash flow due in the future:

It is often useful to quickly be able to multiply a cash flow by a number to generate PV. For this we need a discount factor (DF) which is related to the above equation as follows:

$$DF = \frac{1}{(1+r)^n}$$

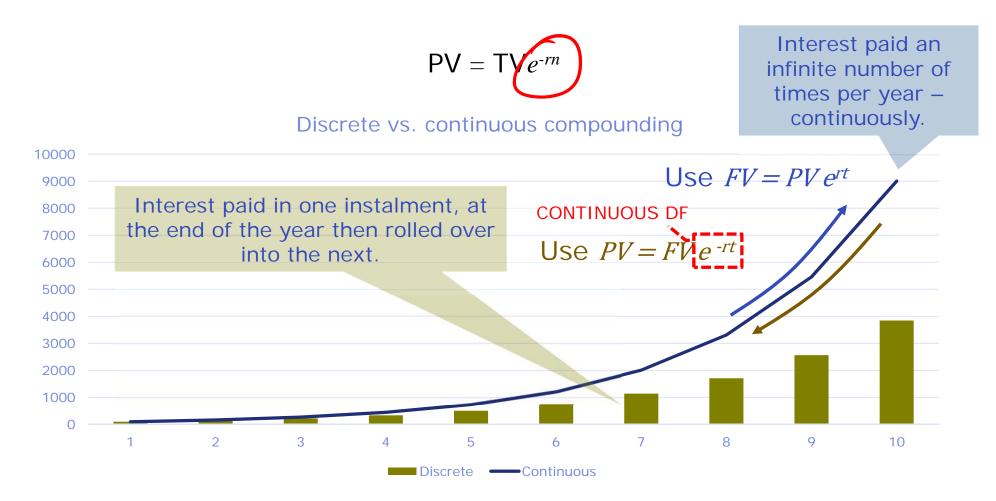
Discount factors are also powerful for quickly calculating forward rates





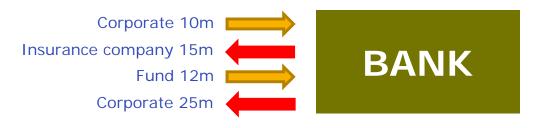
Continuous Discounting Formula

If we want to discount using a continuous interest rate we use:



Money markets

 Borrowing and lending by corporations, funds and banks for periods of up to 12 MONTHS. So, for the 1 week period:



Bank net position in 1 week: +5760m 571600 doors

The bank manages this legacy exposure in the wholesale or interbank money markets

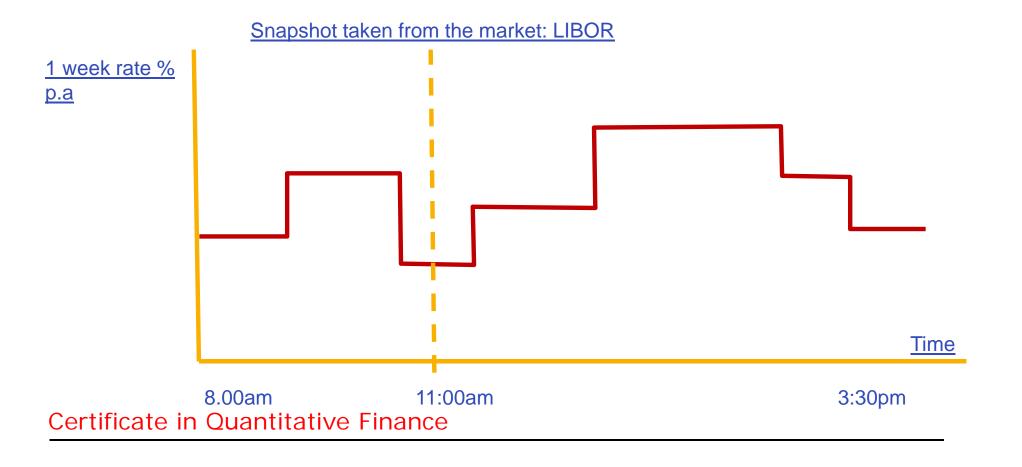


Reference rates

London interbank offered rate, Libor

Libor is set each working day in London by the Intercontinental Exchange (The ICE). It is calculated for USD, GBP, EUR, JPY and CHF for o/n, 1 week, 1, 2, 3, 6 and 12 months.

It is used as a reference rate, similar in some ways to closing prices in stocks.



Calculating 1 week USD Libor

"At what rate could you borrow funds, were you to do so by asking for and then accepting interbank offers in a reasonable market size just prior to 11 am London time?"

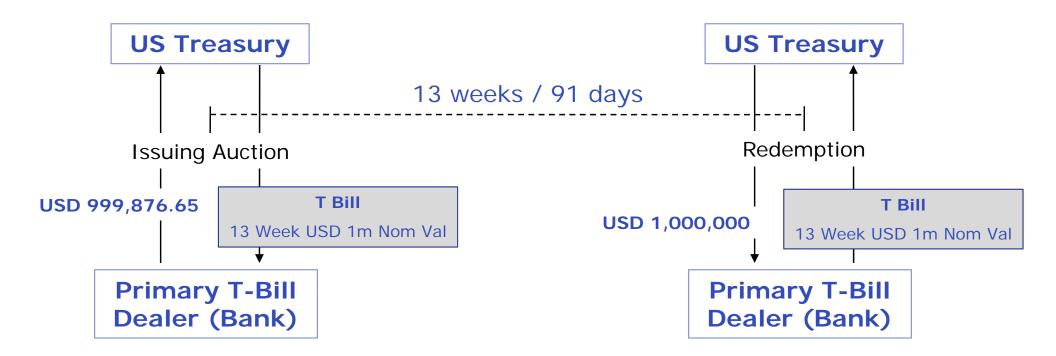
USD Libor Panel (18 banks)	Rates (% p.a.)	
 Bank of America 	0.1500	
 Barclays 	-0.1700 -	
BNP Paribas	0.1620	
 Bank of Tokyo Mitsubishi UFJ 	-0.1900 -	
Credit Agricole	0.1675	
• Citi	0.1700	
 Credit Suisse 	0.1500	
 Deutschebank 	0.1600	Average of remaining 10 rates:
• HSBC	0.1500	
 J.P.Morgan 	0.1400	0.15645% p.a. SW USD Libor
• Lloyds	0.1500	
 Norinchukin Bank 	0.2000	
 Rabobank 	0.1200	
 Royal Bank of Canada 	-0.1400 -	
• RBS	0.1600	
 Soc Gen 	-0.1250 -	
 Sumitomo Mistui 	0.2000	
• UBS	0.1450	

Money Market Securities

Treasury Bills

Treasury Bills are issued buy governments to fund their short term cash flows.

- They are issued at a discount and redeemed at par;
- They are a proxy for a risk-free return for their currency



Commercial Paper

US Commercial Paper (USCP) is an unsecured form of borrowing issued by major financial and non-financial corporations. Maturities average about 30 days; max 270.

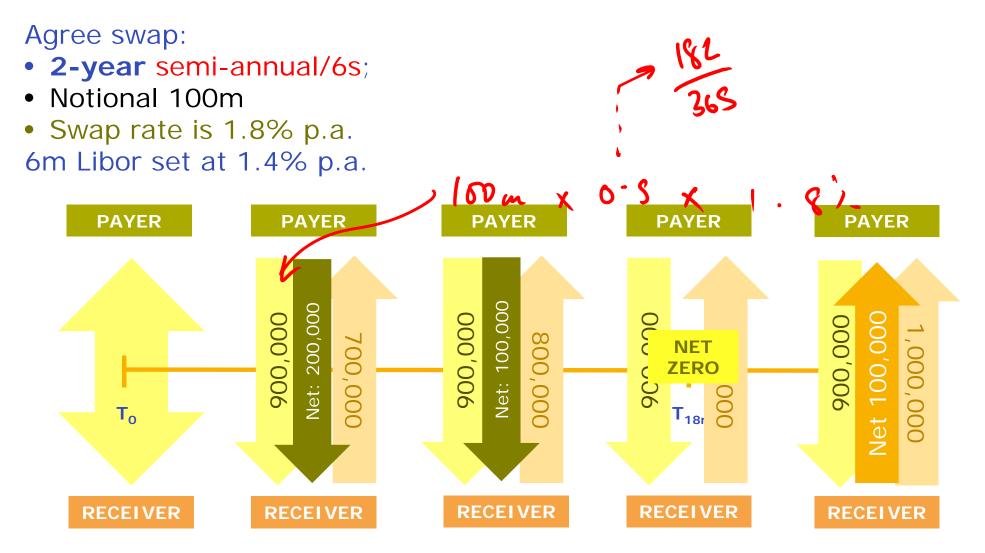
Euro Commercial Paper (ECP) may have maturities up to 365 days ("Euro" refers to non-domestic currency issue)

Certificates of Deposit

A CD is a certificate representing funds deposited at a bank for a named period at a FIXED INTEREST RATE. Note that CDs pay interest.



Derivatives: An interest rate swap (IRS)



6m Libor reset at 1.6% rp. bibor reset at 1.86 mpL bor reset at 2.0% p.a.





Bank net position in 1 week: -18m, 18m short

OVERNIGHT MARKET

WHOLESALE MARKETS BROKERS ASSOCIATION

	Volume	Rate
	118,850,650	0.35
	140,000,000	0.40
	323,798,000	0.42
Weighted Average	850,000,000	0.43
0.4655	374,509,000	0.44
	2,936,852,609	0.45
7: I give you 15m	707,50 <mark>0,000ur</mark>	0.47
. week at 0.28%		0.48
	1,707,500,000	0.50
	550,000,000	0.53
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9,482,210,259

BANK

Sterling Overnight Index Average Rate

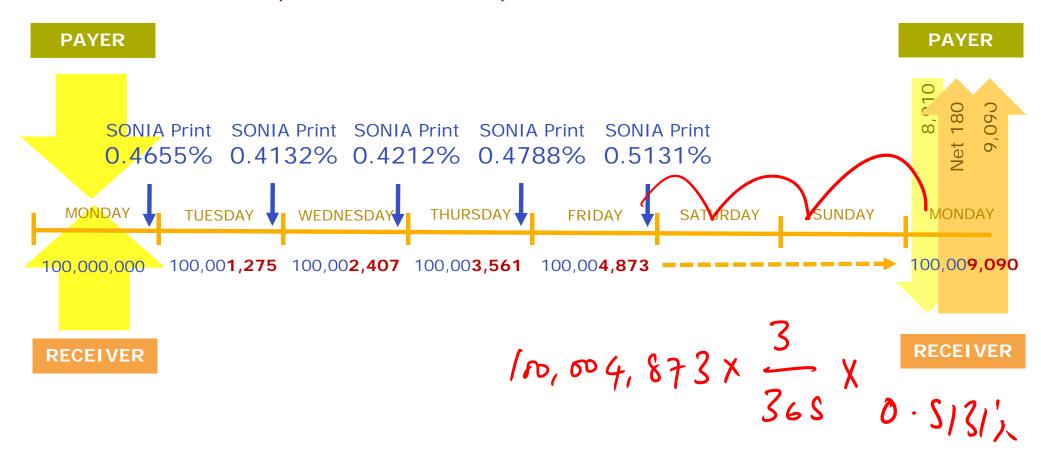
15m long 1 week

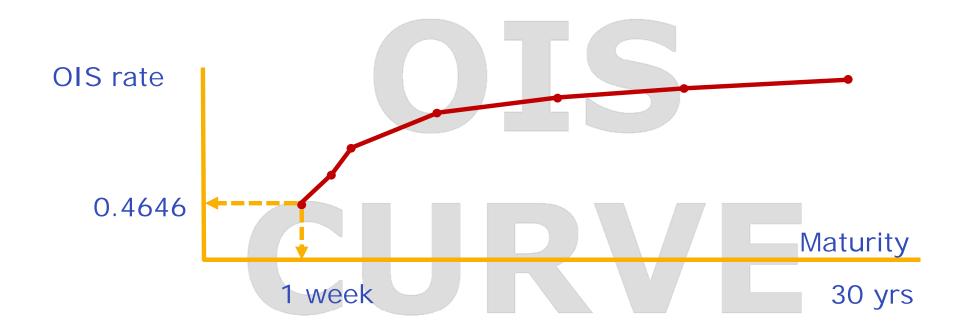
- Euronia (Euro Overnight Index Average);
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- Fed Funds Effective Rate
 - is a volume-weighted average of rates on trades arranged by major brokers as calculated by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York; and
- Tonar (Tokyo Overnight Average Rate)

An overnight index swap (OIS)

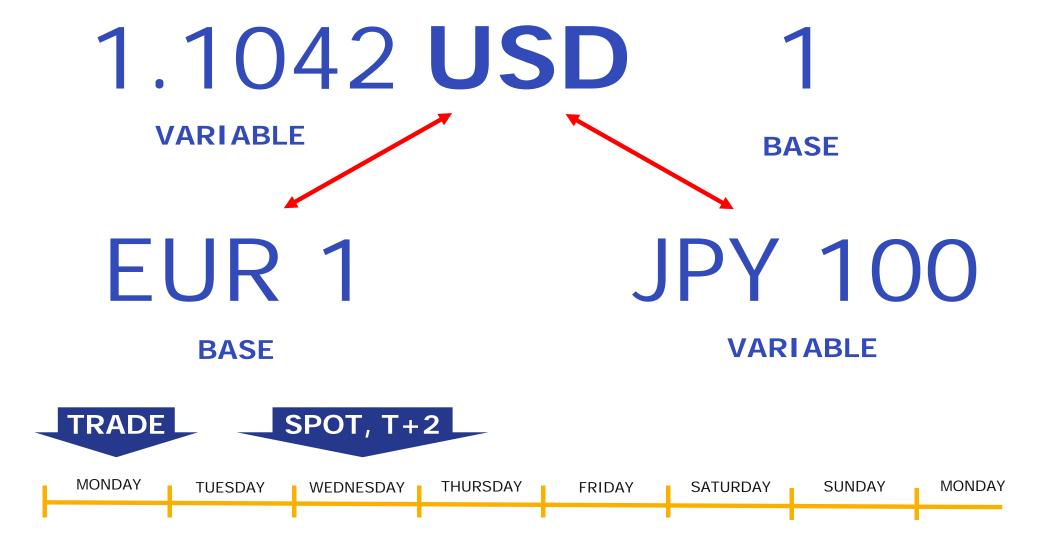
Agree swap:

- 1 week SONIA swap;
- Notional 100m
- 1 week SONIA swap rate is 0.4646% p.a.





Foreign Exchange (Currency) Markets



Forward FX

To SPOT 1 week EUR is 0.5% p.a 1 week USD is 2.0% p.a. SPOT +1 WEEK

M T W Th F S S M T W

1.0943 ×
$$\left(1 + 2\%\left(\frac{7}{360}\right)\right)$$

USD 1.0943

EUR 1.0000

EUR 1.0001

1.0000 × $\left(1 + 0.5\%\left(\frac{7}{360}\right)\right)$

EUR USD 1.0946

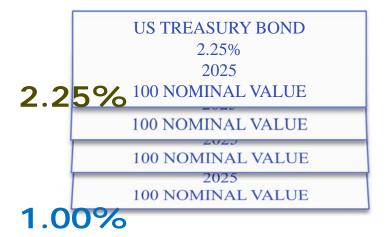
1 week EUR USD forward points is +3

Government bonds



If market wants....

3.00%



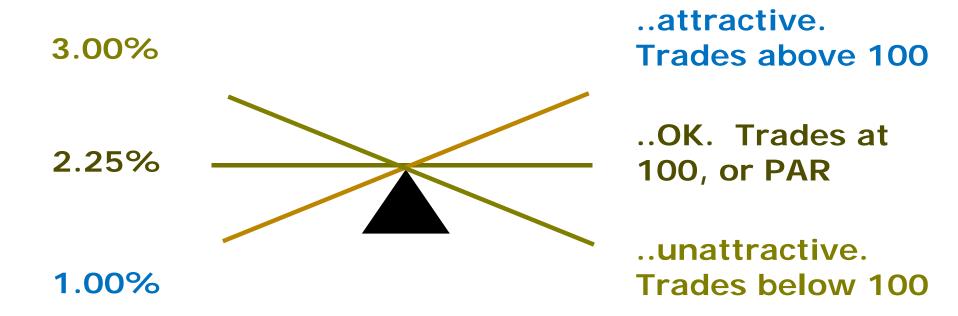
...as a return on 10year government debt ..then the bond will look:

..attractive.
Trades above 100

..OK. Trades at 100, or PAR

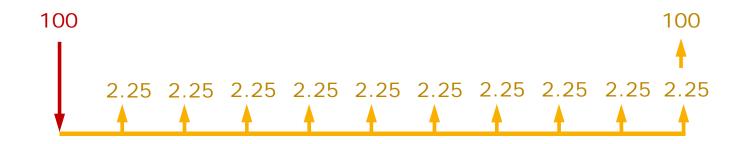
..unattractive.
Trades below 100

So for a fixed coupon bond:



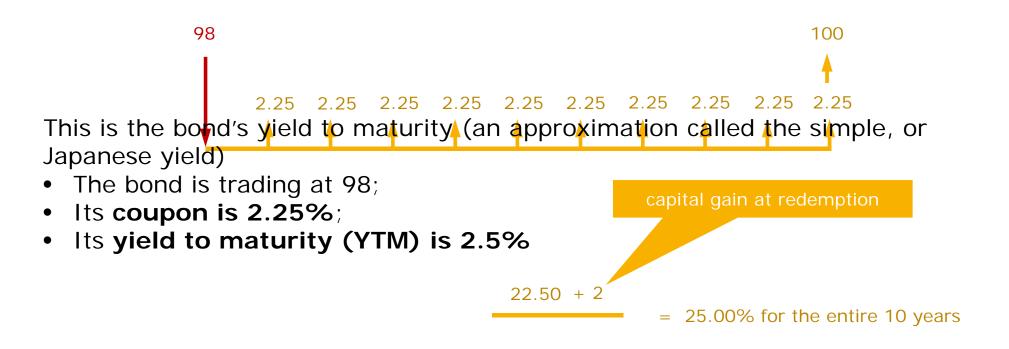
 There is an inverse relationship between the bond's price and its return, or yield

Return if the bond is trading at par

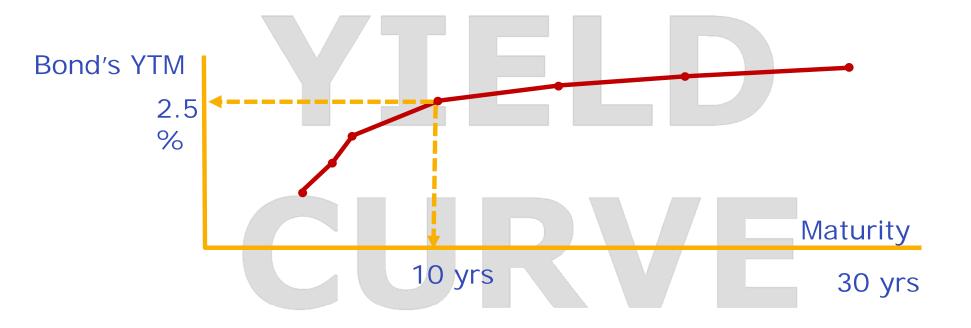


As an annual average: 2.25%

Return if the bond is below par at, say, 98:



As an annual average: 2.50%



Corporate Bonds - Credit

Bonds issued by companies are not free from the risk of default; their ability to pay may be doubtful. One way to assess an issuer's ability to repay their debt is their **credit rating**. Credit ratings are published by three credit rating agencies:

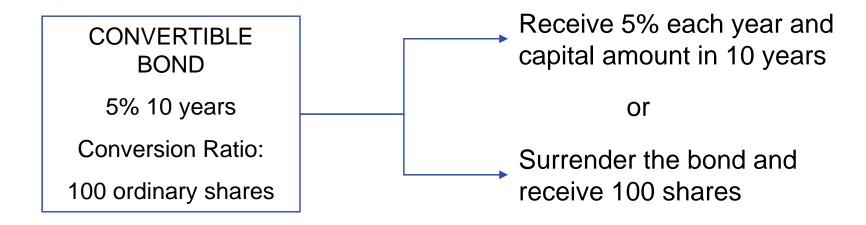


Each notch represents the same marginal difference in creditworthiness

Convertible Bonds

Another feature is convertibility. Convertible bonds offer:

- Bond returns of a fixed coupon and capital redemption; and
- A chance to surrender the bond and receive shares in the company.
- Example: A company issues a 10-year 5% convertible. The holder of the bond has two choices:



Repo Agreements

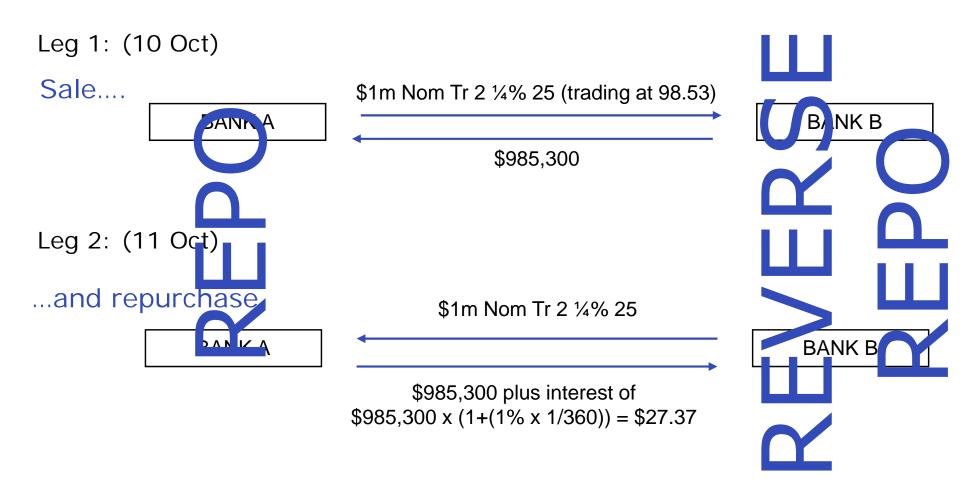
FEATURES OF REPOS

Definition

A transaction in which one party sells another a security. At the same time, as part of the same agreement the party agrees to repurchase identical securities on a specified date at a specified price.

- There are two legs to a repo
- The seller delivers securities and receives cash from the buyer
- The difference between the cash received by the seller in leg 1 and returned in leg 2 is known as the repo rate

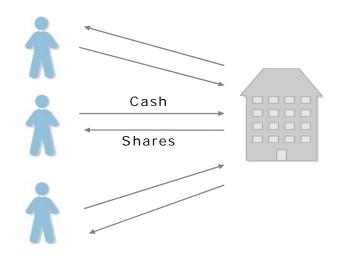
Example: An overnight repo agreed at 1% p.a.



Equities

Companies and Their Shareholders

A company issues shares in order to raise capital. The investors buy a share in the company's success.



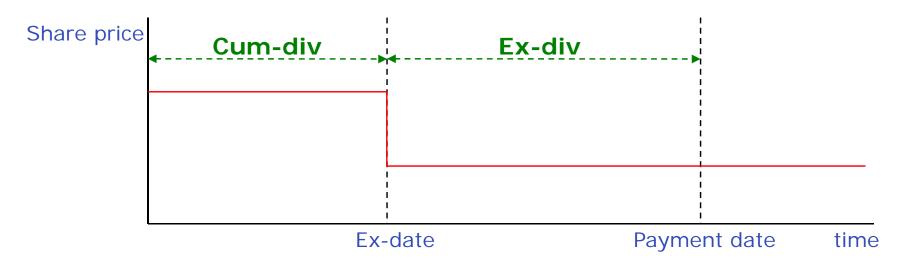
Points to note:

- The board of directors manage the company
- Authorised share capital versus issued share capital

Dividends

Companies sometimes pay dividends to their shareholders:

- The ex-date is a 'qualifying date'. You have to be the owner of the share on this day to receive the dividend on the up-coming payment date.
- During the period between the ex-date and the payment date the share is described as ex-div, or XD.
- Purchasing the share during the ex-div period means you will not recive the dividend on the payment date, as a result the share price will drop by the amount of the dividend (all else being equal) after the ex date:





Derivatives

VS



Futures / Forwards

A futures contract is an agreement between two people to do a transaction on a date in the future, but at terms agreed now. A futures contract is an **obligation**.

Contract (no.1)

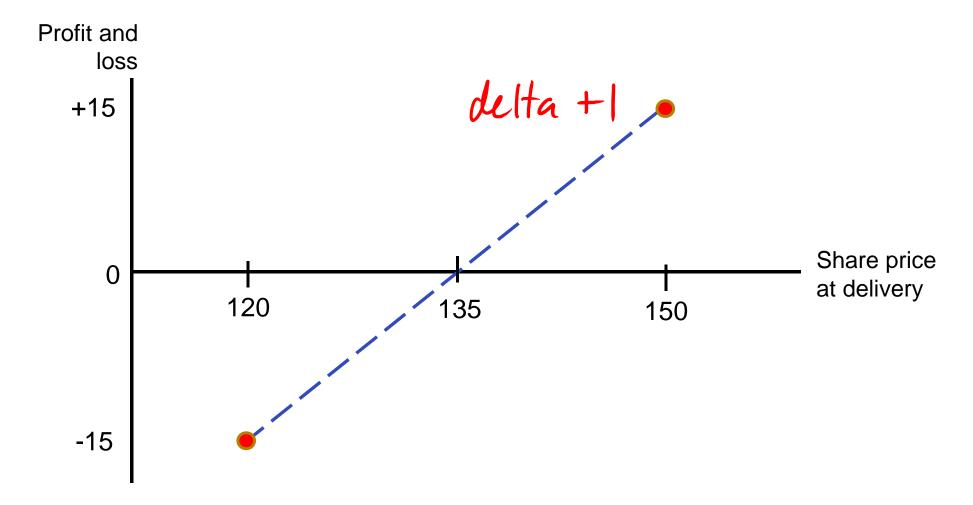
A will buy from B 100 Boeing at USD 135 per share on the third Wednesday in September

Terms

- A is the buyer / long takes delivery
- B is the seller / short makes delivery
- Boeing shares is the underlying
- 'third Wednesday in September' is the delivery date
- 135 per share is the September futures price (cf. cash or spot)
- Contract size: the contract is for 100 shares
- There is credit risk this is mitigated by margin

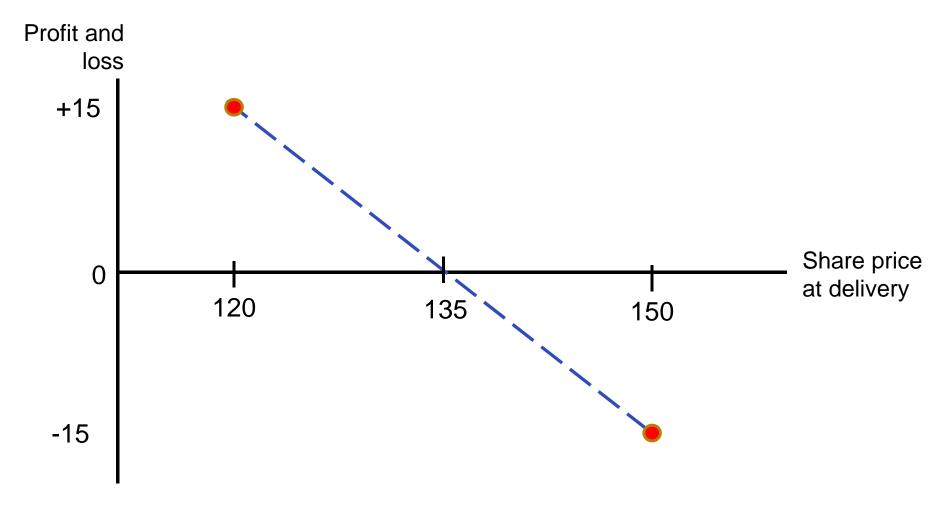
The Long Futures Position

A's profit and loss at expiry, A is long September Boeing future at 135:



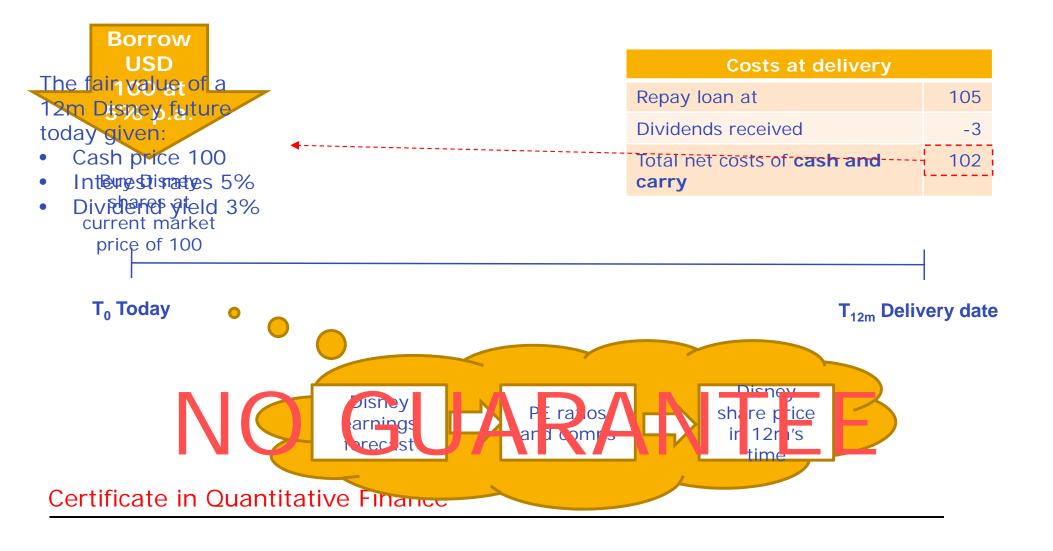
The Short Futures Position

B's profit and loss at expiry, B is short September Boeing future at 135:



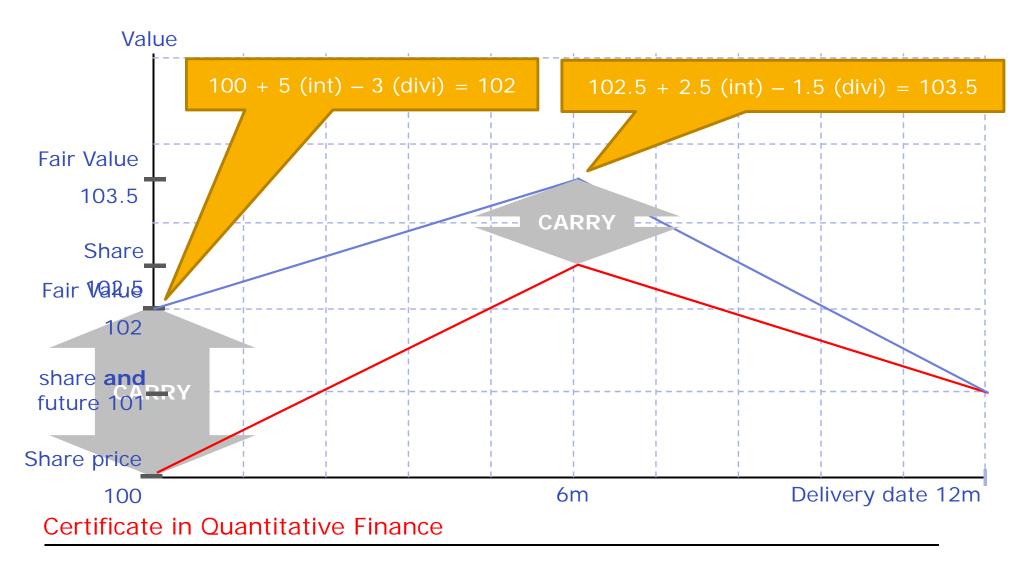
Pricing Futures & Forwards

• Disney shares are trading at 100 with a dividend yield of 3%, 12m interest rates are 5%:

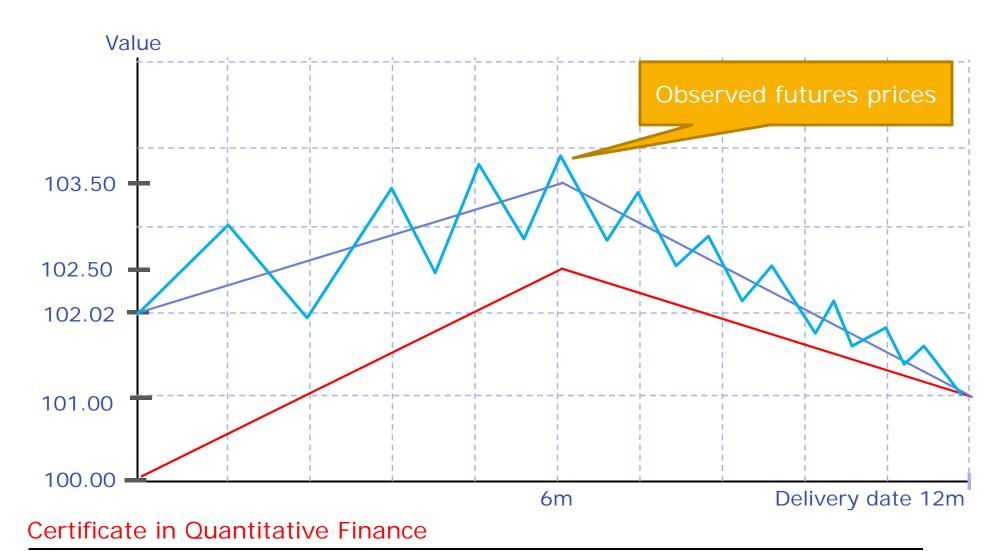


Convergence

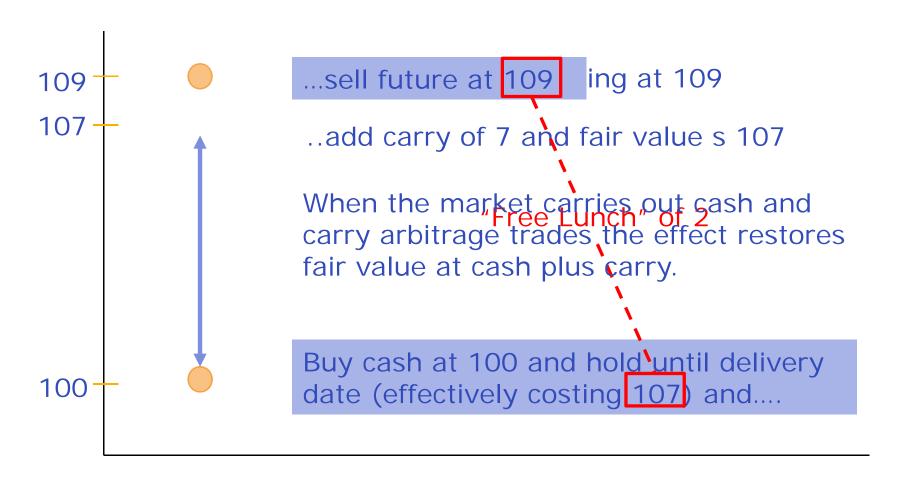
12m forward on an equity with a dividend of 3%, when interest rates are at 5% p.a.



 In reality markets will not trade at their fair value – the cash and futures markets have different volumes at different times as well futures markets being preferred by speculators for their low capital outlay..



Cash and carry arbitrage



Put more formerly the fair value of a future, F with a delivery date at time T, on an underlying asset trading today, t, at S(t) when interest rates are r:

$$F = S(t)e^{r(T-t)}.$$

A First Example of No Arbitrage

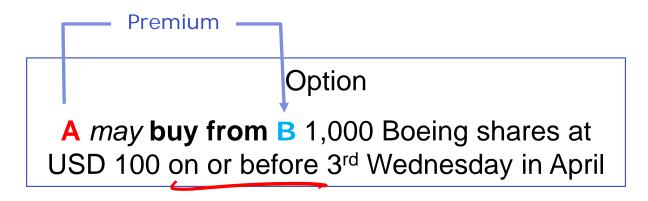
It may be possible to generate a profit if the future is not trading at its fair value. This is known as cash and carry arbitrage.

- If the future is above fair value:
 - Buy cash and sell future today
- If the future is below fair value:
 - Sell cash and buy future today

This also illustrates the term 'pricing using the no arbitrage principle'.

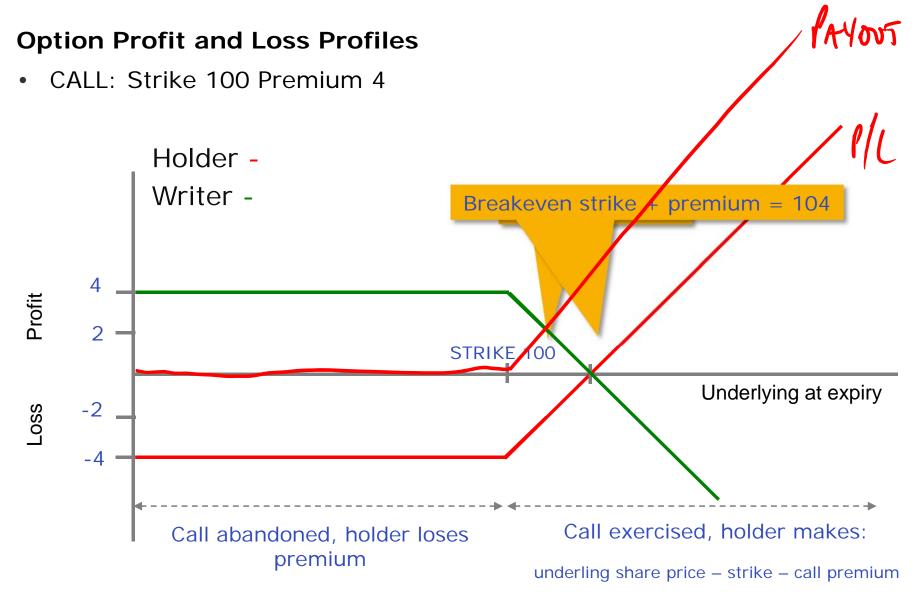
Options

Call Options – The Right to Buy

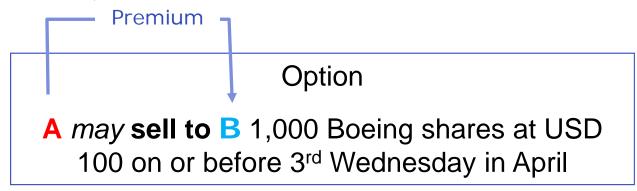


- A is the holder / buyer / long: has choices
- B is the writer / seller / short; may have obligations
- Boeing shares are the underlying
- The third Wednesday in April is the expiry
- 100 is the exercise price, or strike price
- Exercise styles
 - American: exercise anytime up to expiry
 - European: exercise at expiry only
- Premium this is in the same units as the strike.
- A call option is insurance against the share price rising above the strike

Options

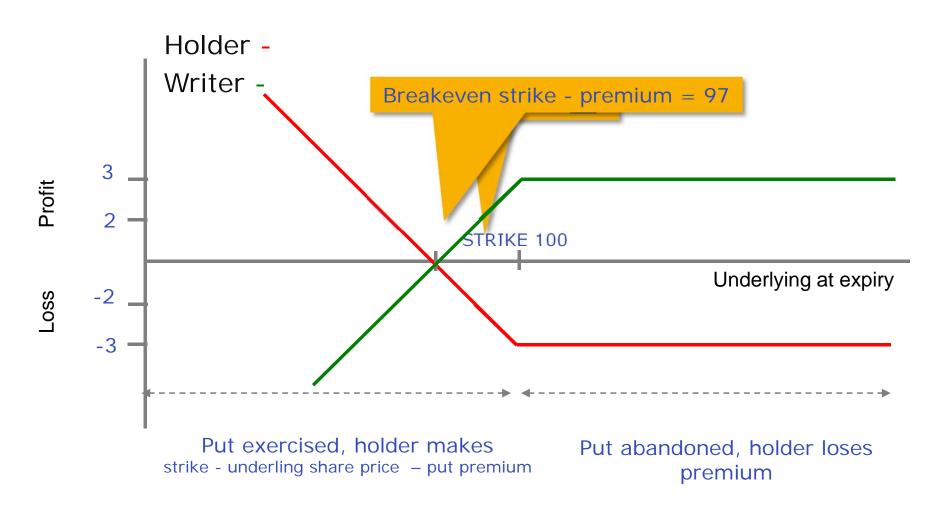


Put Options – The Right to Sell



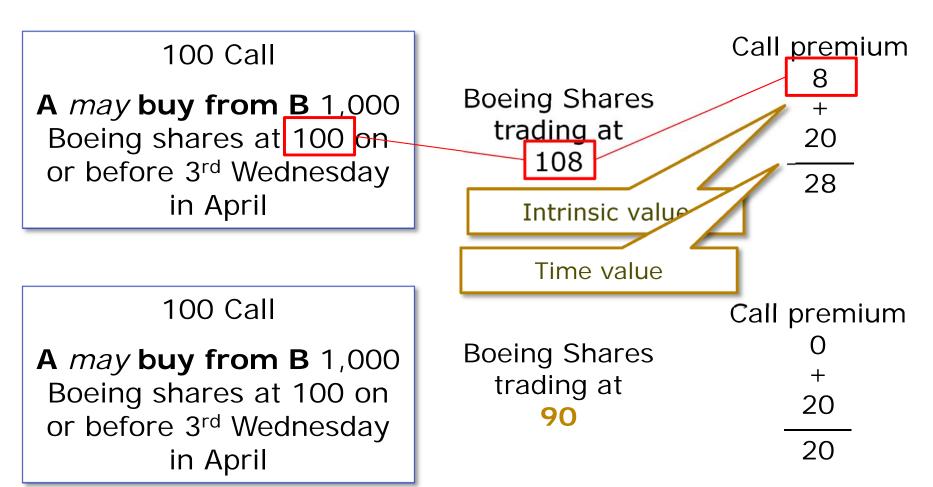
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- B is the writer / seller / short
- Boeing shares are the underlying
- The third Wednesday in April is the expiry
- 104 is the exercise price, or strike price
- Exercise styles
 - American: exercise anytime up to expiry
 - European: exercise at expiry only
 - Bermudan: exercise on certain days during the option's life
- Premium

PUT: Strike 100 Premium 3



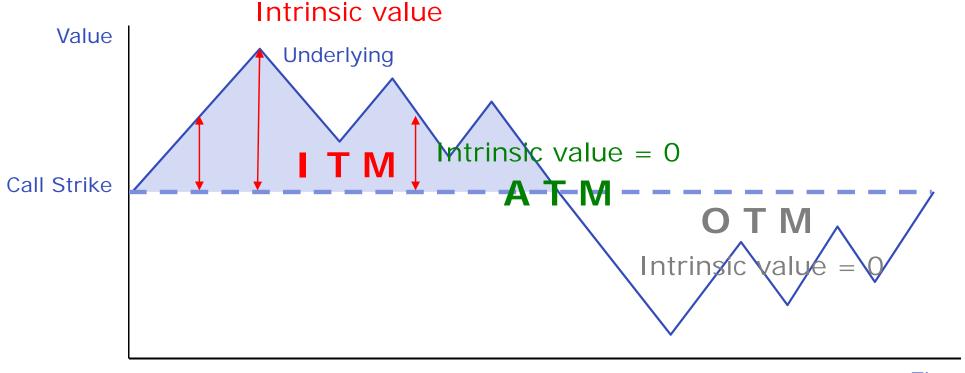
Option Pricing

Intrinsic value and time value



The Money-ness Of An Option

Options will be either in-the-money (ITM), at-the-money (ATM) or out-of-the-money (OTM):

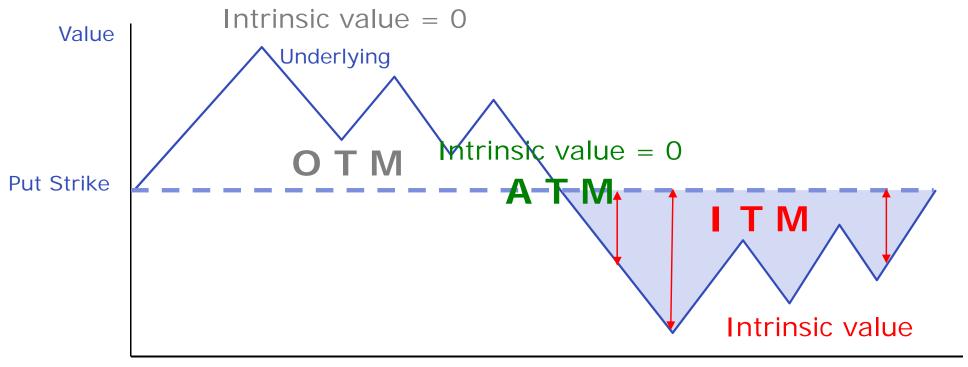


Time

Money-ness is often used as a relative term – in the **Derivatives in Practice**module we'll talk about a strategy which buys 2 calls one – and the other outConfithermoneyuantitative Finance

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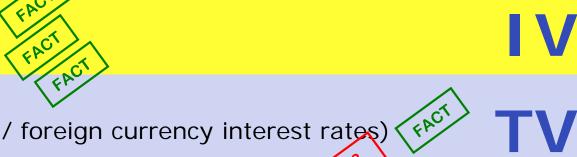


Time

Factors that influence the Option Premium

There are five factors that drive option premiums:

- The price of the underlying
- The strike price of the option
- The option's remaining life
- Interest rates (and dividends / foreign currency interest rates)
- The expected volatility of the underlying asset's returns

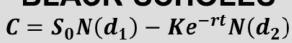


These are usually input into a pricing model to calculate a return:

- The price of the underlying
- The strike price of the option
- The option's remaining life
- Interest rates
- Volatility



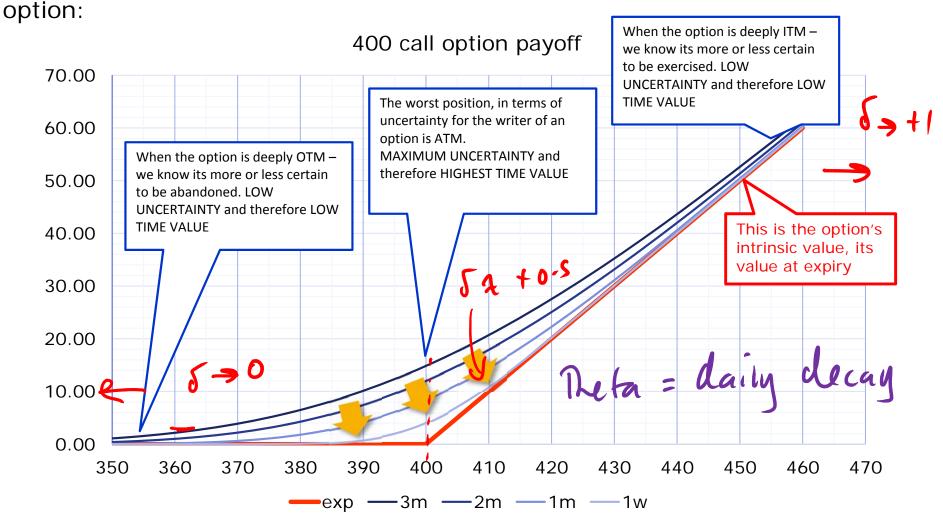
BLACK-SCHOLES



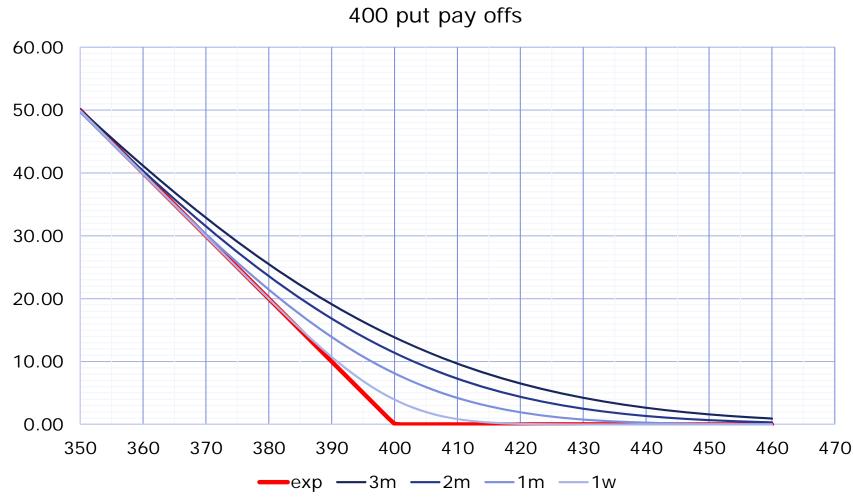


Option Payoff Diagrams

• Time value is a representation of the uncertainty faced by the writer of an



Put pay-off

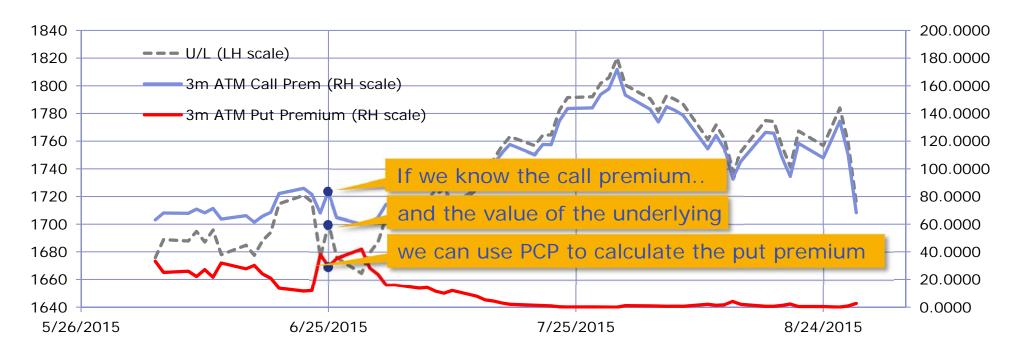


Put-Call Parity (PCP)

What is PCP?

Put-call parity is the relationship between the premiums of a call and a put option with the same

- · underlying,
- strike, and
- expiry



PCP Illustration

A non-dividend paying stock is currently trading at 42 (S_0). A 1-year European 40 call on the stock is trading at 10. So

- $S_0 = 42$
- *T* = 1
- C = 10
- X = 40

All we need is the interest rate for the period to the expiry of the option and putcall parity allows us to calculate the premium for a 1-year 40 European Put. Lets say

• $r_{1year} = 5\%$

Rationale (Discrete Compounding)

Consider two ways that guarantee owning the stock above in one year's time

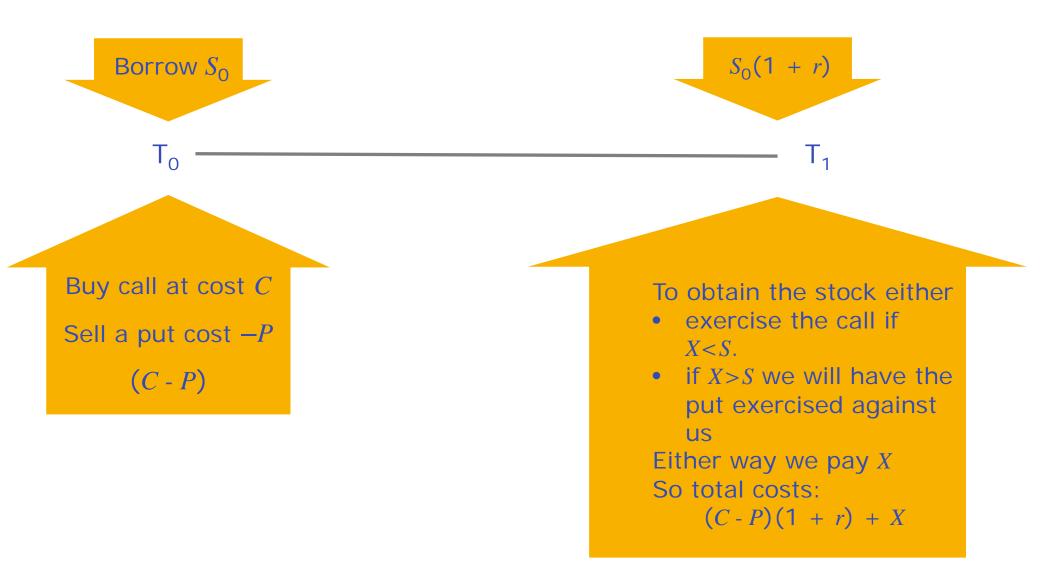
• Buy the stock now and hold it for a year. We do this by borrowing S_0 at r now, buying the stock and holding it. Our costs would be:

$$S_0(1 + r)$$

 Alternatively, we could buy a call and sell a put, both with the same strike, X, and with an expiry of 1-year. We borrow the net cost of the options, so our costs here would be:

$$(C - P)(1 + r) + X$$

Put call parity assumes these two journeys to the same point cost the same amount (we'll see if this is reasonable)



Which would mean:

$$(C - P)(1 + r) + X = S_0(1 + r)$$

If we divide by (1 + r) and re-arrange we get:

$$C-P=S_0-\frac{X}{(1+r)}$$
 $C-P=S_0-Xe^{-rt}$

This equation fits our 1-year example, but if we say that t is the fraction of a year until expiry we could re-write the formula for any European option on a non-dividend stock using any expiry:

$$C - P = S_0 - \frac{X}{\left(1 + rt\right)}$$

If we put the data from our example above we can see what a put should be trading at:

$$P = C - S_0 + \frac{X}{(1+r)}$$

$$=10-42+\frac{40}{1.05}$$

$$=6.09$$

Suppose the put was trading in the market at 5. What would you do?

...if the put was trading at 5 it is under-priced:

Action Cash flow (in:+, out -)

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Appendix: Time value of money

Compounding

Compounding single sums

Compounding is a process which determines the value of an amount invested now, for a given number of periods at a fixed periodic interest rate. Compounding requires:

- an amount to be invested now (PV, or present value);
- a maturity date a number of periods away (n); and
- a periodic interest rate (r).

These together give us the value of the investment (FV) on the maturity date.

Illustration

Lets look at 100,000 invested for 1 year at a rate of 2% p.a. This would result in:

- 2,000 interest (*PV* x *r*); or
- a total maturity amount of 102,000: $PV \times (1 + r)$

If we invested for a *further* year at 2% p.a. we would see

- Interest of 2,040 (102,000 x 2%); and
- A total maturity amount of 104,040: 102,000 x (1+ 2%).

For the 2 year investment we simply multiplied the PV amount by (1 + 2%) for the first year then (1+2%) for the second year. In other words:

•
$$100,000 \times (1+2\%)^2$$

NB: The periodic rate is uniform for both periods.

We can formerly express this process as:

$$FV = PV (1+r)^n$$

Where FV is the future value of an amount PV invested today for n periods at an interest rate of r per period.

Example:

6,000 placed on deposit for five years at an annual interest rate of 6 ½% p.a. What is the final sum assuming compound interest?

$$6,000 (1 + 0.065)^5 = 8,220.52$$

Compounding where interest is paid more than once a year (nominal vs. effective rates)

More often than not interest is *quoted* as an annual rate but *paid* in 2 semiannual instalments, or 4 quarterly instalments, or 12 monthly instalments...etc. Here we **divide the (nominal) rate** by the frequency and **multiply the periods** by the frequency. Using the 100,000 at 2% for 1 year above:

Semi annual interest payment (SA):

$$100,000 \times \left(1 + \frac{0.02}{2}\right)^{1 \times 2} = 102,010.00$$

Nominal rate is 2% p.a., effective rate is 2.01% p.a

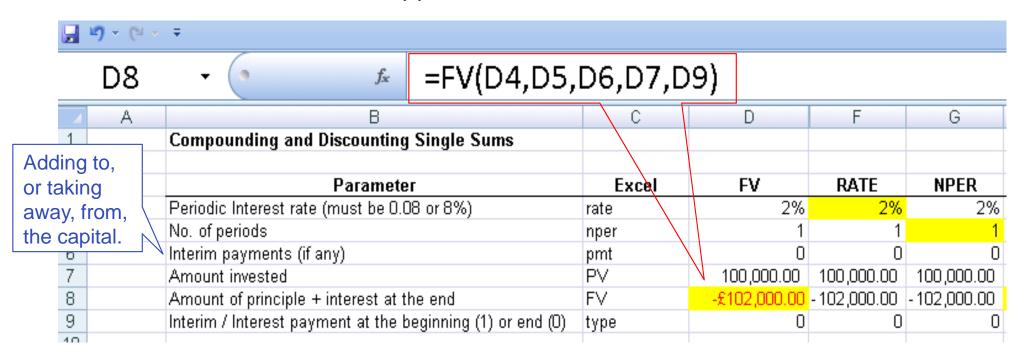
Quarterly interest payment (Q):

$$100,000 \times \left(1 + \frac{0.02}{4}\right)^{1 \times 4} = 102,015.05$$

Nominal rate is 2% p.a., effective rate is 2.01505% p.a

Compounding using Excel's FV function

Excel's FV function will calculate future values for you. Notice how the function assigns the future value a negative sign, this denotes that the *direction* of the FV cash flow is in the opposite direction to the PV cash flow.



Excel will also calculate any of the other parameters as an unknown. These are the RATE and NPER functions.

Compounding where payment frequency is continuous

There are certain circumstances where life is easier if we compound using the assumption that interest is paid continuously.

This would mean that the calculation for 100,000 invested for a year at 2% p.a. paid continuously would look like:

$$100,000 \times \left(1 + \frac{0.02}{\text{INFINITY}}\right)^{1 \times \text{INFINITY}}$$

To get round this we use a constant, e, which has the value 2.71828. so if r_c is the continuously compounded periodic rate:

•
$$FV = PVe^{rn}$$

So:

$$100,000 \times 2.71828^{0.02 \times 1} = 102,020.13$$

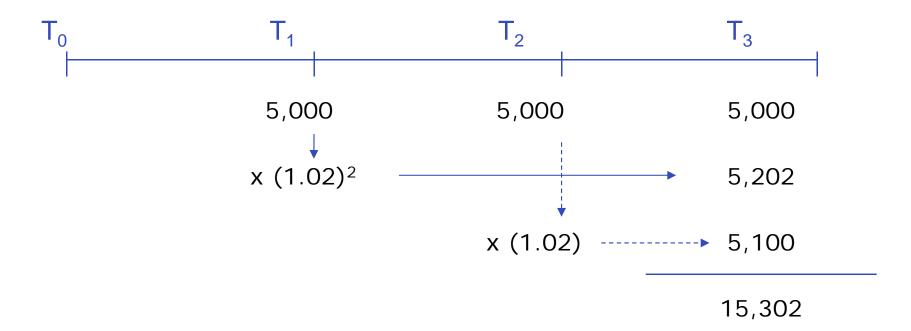
The function for e^x in excel is EXP(x):

H8	- (•	f _x	=H7	*EXP(H4*H5)
	В		С	Н
Compounding as	nd Discounting Single S	ums		
				FV
	Parameter		Excel	Exp()
Periodic Interest ra	ate (must be 0.08 or 8%)	rate		2%
No. of periods		nper		1
Interim payments (if any)		pmt		0
Amount invested		PV		£100,000.00
Amount of principle + interest at the end		FV		£102,020.13
Interim / Interest p	0			

Compounding multiple uniform sums at a uniform rate

A series of uniform sums at equal intervals is called an annuity. This might be the regular contributions made to a pension fund for example. We can compound these using a uniform interest rate as follows:

- 3-year 5,000 annuity
- rate is 2% p.a.



To calculate the forward value of an annuity in Excel we use the FV function. But here there is no PV amount – all we have are uniform interim payments. If we do add a PV amount Excel will treat it as a cash flow:

FV(D16,D17,D18,D19,D21)				
В	С	D		
Parameter	Excel	FV		
Periodic Interest rate (must be 0.08 or 8%)		2%		
No. of periods	nper	3		
Interim payments (if any)		5,000.00		
Amount invested		0.00		
Amount of principle + interest at the end		-£15,302.00		
Amount of principle + interest at the end Interim / Interest payment att he beginning (1) or end (0)		0		

Compounding for money market periods

Money markets periods are those between overnight and twelve months in length. Money market rates are quoted as annual nominal rates:

If the 1 week rate is quoted as 1% p.a. we do not receive 1% on our capital at maturity, we receive 1/52 (assuming 52 weeks in a year) of 1%.

In fact, 1/52 is too general. This fraction, known as the **day-count fraction**, takes slightly different forms depending on the currency:

For USD, EUR and JPY it takes the form:

$$\frac{\text{Actual no. days in the period}}{360}$$
, or $\frac{\text{Actual}}{360}$

whilst for GBP it is:

We say that USD, EUR and JPY use 360 **day-count basis**, whereas GBP uses 365.

Illustration

EUR 10,000,000 on deposit for 1 week at 1% p.a.:

$$10,000,000 \times \left(1 + \left(0.01 * \frac{7}{360}\right)\right) = 1,000,194.44$$

The term (0.01*7/360) is the 1 week **periodic rate**. Convention dictates that with **nominal** rates we obtain the periodic rate by using the appropriate day count fraction.

In Excel we can use the FV function, or not.

	А	В
1		
2	PV	1000000
3	Basis	360
4	Period	7
5	Rate	1%
6	FV (function)	-£1,000,194.44
7	FV	1,000,194.44

=FV(B5*(B4/B3),1,0,B2). Notice the automatic formatting to currency and the minus sign. Also there is one 7 day period at a periodic rate of 1% * 7/360

It may be as well to do the calculation without the FV function: =B2*(1+B5*(B4/B3))

Discounting

Discounting single sums

Discounting is the process for determining the present value of a future cash flow. Discounting requires:

- a cash flow sitting in the future (FV, or future value);
- a maturity date a number of periods away (n); and
- a periodic interest rate (r).

These together give us the value of the investment (FV) on the maturity date.

Illustration (single future cash flow)

If we invested 100,000 for 1 year at a rate of 2% p.a., we would have:

- 2,000 interest (*PV* x *r*); or
- a total maturity amount of 102,000: $PV \times (1 + r)$.

This maturity amount is the future value. If we determined the future value by multiplying the present value by 1 + r then to calculate the PV from FV we divide FV by 1 + r:

$$\frac{102,000}{1.02} = 100,000$$

If we invested the 100,000 for a further year at 2% p.a. we would see

- Interest of 2,040 (102,000 x 2%); and
- A total maturity amount of 104,040: 102,000 x (1+ 2%).

For the 2 year investment we simply multiplied the PV amount by (1 + 2%) for the first year then (1+2%) for the second year. In other words:

•
$$100,000 \times (1+2\%)^2$$

Again, if we divide the future value by $(1 + r)^n$. We have the present value:

$$\frac{104,040}{\left(1.02\right)^2} = 100,000$$

In Excel we use the PV function.

Notice the signs: Excel needs to differentiate between the direction of the future-value cash flow and the present value cash flow:

Е	=PV(E4,E5,E6,E8,E9)		
	В	С	Е
1	Compounding and Discounting Single Sums		
2			
3	Parameter	Excel	PV
4	Periodic Interest rate (must be 0.08 or 8%)	rate	2%
5	No. of periods	nper	2
6	Interim payments (if any)	pmt	0
7	Amount invested	PV	£100,000.00
8	Amount of principle + interest at the end	FV	-£104,040.00
9	Interim / Interest payment at the beginning (1) or end (0)	type	0
10			

We can formerly express this process as:

$$PV = \frac{FV}{(1+r)^n}$$

Where FV is the future value of an amount PV invested today for n periods at an interest rate of r per period.

Discount factors

We could also write the discounting formula as:

$$PV = FV \times \frac{1}{(1+r)^n}$$

Where the $\frac{1}{(1+r)^n}$ element is known as the **discount factor**. Discount factors are the reducing factor for that period at that interest rate.

Illustration

The 2 year rate is 2%, the two year discount factor would therefore be:

$$\frac{1}{(1.02)^2} = 0.96116878$$

Using the discount factor to determine the present value of 104,040:

$$104,040 * 0.96116878 = 100,000$$

Discounting where payment frequency is continuous

There are certain circumstances where life is easier if we discount using the assumption that interest is paid continuously.

This would mean that the calculation for the PV of a cash flow of 102,020.13 paid in a year's time at 2% p.a. paid continuously would look like:

$$\frac{102,020.13}{\left(1+\frac{0.02}{\text{INFINITY}}\right)^{1\times \text{INFINITY}}}$$

To get round this we use a constant, e, which has the value 2.71828. so if r is the continuously compounded periodic rate:

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$$PV = FVe^{-rn}$$

So:

$$102,020.13 \times 2.71828^{-0.02 \times 1} = 100,000$$

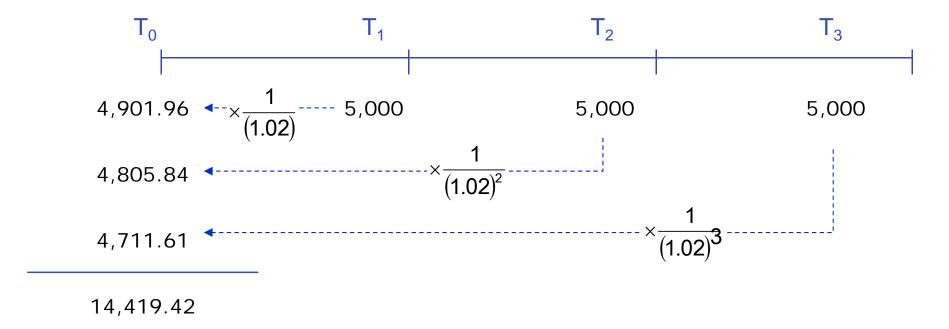
The function for e^x in excel is EXP(x):

J	7 - = J8*EXP(-J4*J5)		
	В	С	J
1	Compounding and Discounting Single Sums		
2			PV
3	Parameter	Excel	
4	Periodic Interest rate (must be 0.08 or 8%)	rate	2%
5	No. of periods	nper	1
6	Interim payments (if any)	pmt	
7	Amount invested	PV	£100,000.00
8	Amount of principle + interest at the end	FV	£102,020.13
9	Interim / Interest payment at the beginning (1) or end (0)	type	

Discounting multiple uniform sums at a uniform rate

A series of uniform sums at equal intervals is called an annuity. This might be the regular contributions made to a pension fund for example. We can discount these using a uniform interest rate as follows:

- 3-year 5,000 annuity
- rate is 2% p.a.



To calculate the present value of an annuity in Excel we use the PV function. But here there is no FV amount – all we have are uniform interim payments. If we do add aFV amount Excel will treat it as a cash flow:

E1	E19 - = PV(E16,E17,E18,0)					
	Α	В	С	Е		
13		Annuity - multiple, uniform cash flows				
14						
15		Parameter	Excel	PV		
16		Periodic Interest rate (must be 0.08 or 8%)	rate	0.02		
17		No. of periods	nper	3		
18		Interim payments (if any)	pmt	5,000.00		
19		Amount invested	PV	-£14,419.42		
20		Amount of principle + interest at the end	FV	£0.00		
21		Interim / Interest payment att he beginning (1) or end (0)	type	0		
22						

Discounting non-uniform cash flows: net present value (NPV)

If we face a series of uneven cash flows we PV each one at the chosen discount rate. The result is the net-present-value or NPV of the series. If we assume the cash flows below are annual and we use a discount rate of 2% pa:



If we present value these cash flows at 2% their net present value comes to 456.28

Period	Cash Flow	PV at Rate 2%
0	-500	-500.00
1	-1000	-980.39
2	0	0.00
3	600	565.39
4	700	646.69
5	800	724.58
	NPV	456.28

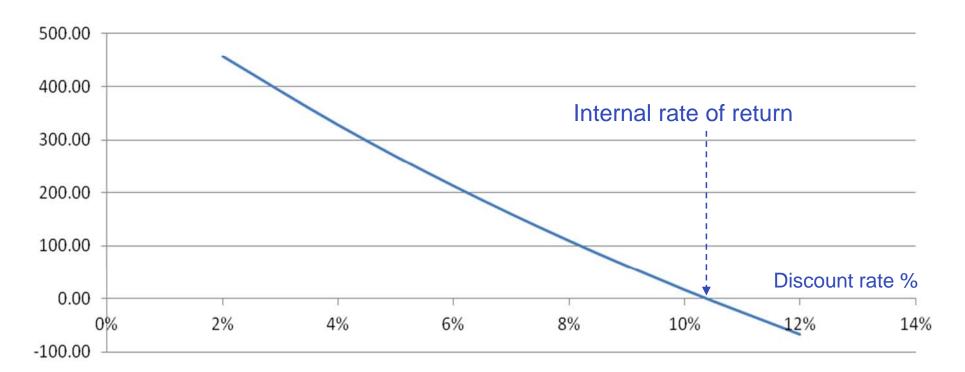
Internal rate of return

If we calculate the NPV for different discount rates we can see NPV move from positive to negative:

		PV at Rate					
Period	Cash Flow	2%	4%	6%	8%	10%	12%
0	-500	-500.00	-500.00	-500.00	-500.00	-500.00	-500.00
1	-1000	-980.39	-961.54	-943.40	-925.93	-909.09	-892.86
2	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	600	565.39	533.40	503.77	476.30	450.79	427.07
4	700	646.69	598.36	554.47	514.52	478.11	444.86
5	800	724.58	657.54	597.81	544.47	496.74	453.94
	NPV	456.28	327.76	212.65	109.36	16.54	-66.98

The discount rate where NPV is zero is referred to as the internal rate of return:

Net Present Value



Excel has an IRR function. It assumes that the first cash flow is now, at T_0 , and that all the cash flows are 1 period apart. Excel gives us the periodic IRR:

13	• (• f	=IRR(B3:B8)	
	А	В	I
1			
2	Period	Cash Flow	IRR
3	0	-500	10.38%
4	1	-1000	
5	2	0	
6	3	600	
7	4	700	
8	5	800	

Discounting for money market periods

EUR 1,000,194.44 paid in 1 week. The 1 week rate is presently at 1% p.a.:

$$\frac{1,000,194.44}{\left(1+\left(0.01*\frac{7}{360}\right)\right)} = 10,000,000$$

In Excel we can use the FV function, or not.

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	А	В			
1					
2	FV	1,000,194.44			
3	Basis	360			
4	Period	7			
5	Rate (p.a.)	1%			
6	PV (function)	-£1,000,000.00			
7	PV	1,000,000.00			

=PV(B5*B4/B3,1,0,B2). Notice the automatic formatting to currency and the minus sign. Also there is one 7 day period at a periodic rate of 1% * 7/360

It may be as well to do the calculation without the FV function: =B2/(1+(B5*B4/B3))

Non-uniform rates of return

If we have an investment where the returns are uneven we can calculate the average annual compound rate (average rate of return) using the geometric mean:

Illustration

Here are the prices of an asset over 5 periods. We are going to calculate the average rate of return. The first step is to determine each periods return. We might do this using discrete or continuous returns.

Period (or date)	Price	Return (discrete)
0	47	(50, 47)
1	50	6.38% $\frac{(50-47)}{47}$
2	54	8.00%
3	48	-11.11%
4	45	-6.25%
5	51	13.33%

Geometric mean

- With the arithmetic mean we add the values and divide by the number of observations.
- With the geometric mean we multiply the values together and take the nth root of this product.

The geometric mean, however does not accommodate negative numbers (we have two negative returns in our illustration). The solution to this is to add 1 to each of the returns (giving us something called the **price relative**) and subtracting it later:

Period (or date)	Price	Return (discrete)	1+ return (price relative)
0	47		
1	50	6.38%	1.0638
2	54	8.00%	1.0800
3	48	-11.11%	0.8889
4	45	-6.25%	0.9375
5	51	13.33%	1.1333
			1.0165

 $\sqrt[5]{1.0638 \times 1.08 \times 0.8889 \times 0.9375 \times 1.1333}$

Excel has a geometric mean function – GEOMEAN:

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	E8 - =GEOMEAN(E3:E7)						
A	А	В	С	D	Е		
1		Period (or date)	Price	Return (discrete)	1+ return (price relative)		
2		0	47				
3		1	50	6.38%	1.0638		
4		2	54	8.00%	1.0800		
5		3	48	-11.11%	0.8889		
6		4	45	-6.25%	0.9375		
7		5	51	13.33%	1.1333		
8					1.0165		

This answer of 1.0165 is telling us that the average price relative is 1.0165 per period.

If we subtract the 1 we added to each return at the start (during the calculations these 1s were multiplied together – making 1) we get the average return for each period, namely 1.65%.

We can check this.

If we take the original price and compound it for 5 periods using this average return we should arrive at the period 5 price:

$$PV \times (1 + r)^n = FV$$

- PV is 47
- r is 1.65%
- *n* is 5

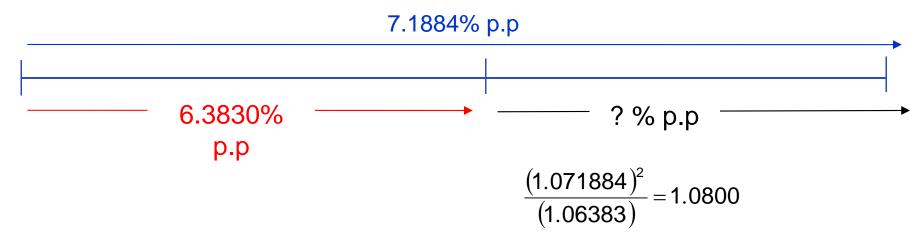
$$47 \times (1.0165)^5 = 51$$

Determining a single period rate form an average compound return

If we know the two period rate (i.e. the per period rate, or average) and the one period rate we can calculate the second one period rate (this is a forward rate).

Illustration

- The two period rate is 7.1884% p.p.
- The one period rate is 6.3830% p.p.



These two rates give us a forward rate of 8% p.p.

An informal way of looking at this would be:

$$\frac{\left(1+r_{\text{LONGERPERIOD}}\right)^{\text{LONGERPERIODS}}}{\left(1+r_{\text{SHORTERPERIOD}}\right)^{\text{SHORTERPERIODS}}} = \left(1+r_{\text{FORWARDPERIOD}}\right)^{\text{FORWARDPERIODS}}$$

Which becomes:

FORWARDPERIODS
$$(1+r_{\text{LONGERPERIOD}})^{\text{LONGERPERIODS}}$$
 - $1=r_{\text{FORWARDPERIOD}}$ - $1=r_{\text{FORWARDPERIOD}}$

In most cases, though, the forward rate is for 1 period so we tend to use:

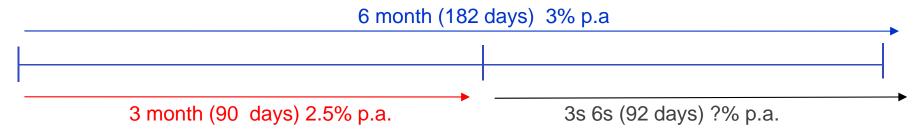
$$\frac{\left(1+r_{\text{LONGERPERIOD}}\right)^{\text{LONGERPERIODS}}}{\left(1+r_{\text{SHORTERPERIOD}}\right)^{\text{SHORTERPERIODS}}} - 1 = r_{\text{FORWARDPERIOD}}$$

Forward period rate form an average compound return (money markets)

The same principle apples to money markets, although we do not use powers. Instead we use day count fractions.

Illustration

- The 0 6s rate is 3% p.a.
- The 0 3s rate is 2.5% p.a.



 Assuming that money invested by either route (6 months or 3 months then three months again) must accrue to the same future value (rs here are annual rates):

$$\left(1+\left(r_{0\times 6}*\frac{182}{360}\right)\right)=\left(1+\left(r_{0\times 3}*\frac{90}{360}\right)\right)\times\left(1+\left(r_{3\times 6}*\frac{92}{360}\right)\right)$$

Re-arranging we get:

$$\frac{\left(1+\left(r_{0\times 6}*\frac{182}{360}\right)\right)}{\left(1+\left(r_{0\times 3}*\frac{90}{360}\right)\right)}=1+\left(r_{3\times 6}*\frac{92}{360}\right)$$

Then:

$$\left[\frac{\left(1 + \left(r_{0 \times 6} * \frac{182}{360}\right)\right)}{\left(1 + \left(r_{0 \times 3} * \frac{90}{360}\right)\right)} - 1 \right] * \frac{360}{92} = r_{3 \times 6}$$