# assignment01

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Assignment 01

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## Question 1

**a. Solve** 
$$x^2 + 2x - 8 = 0$$

Solving polynomial equations in R using polyroot. The quadratic equation is expected to have 2 roots in the form of  $x=\frac{-b\pm\sqrt{b^2-4ac}}{2a}$ 

**b.** Solve 
$$x^2 - 9 = 0$$

Solving polynomial equations in R using polyroot. The quadratic equation is expected to have 2 roots in the form of  $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ 

$$polyroot(c(-9, 0, 1))$$

**c. Solve** 
$$x^3 - x^2 + 4x - 4 = 0$$

Solving polynomial equations in R using polyroot. The cubic equation is expected to have 3 roots.

```
polyroot(c(-4, 4, -1, 1))

## [1] 1-0i 0+2i 0-2i
```

```
d. Solve x^5 + 3x^2 - 8 = 0
```

Solving polynomial equations in R using polyroot. The equation is expected to have 5 roots.

```
polyroot(c(-8, 0, 3, 0, 0, 1))
## [1] 0.673841+1.598073i -1.305358+0.633886i -1.305358-0.633886i
## [4] 1.263035-0.000000i 0.673841-1.598073i
```

### Question 2

For discrete compounding (presented in a,b,c,d), we use the formula  $S = A(1 + \frac{r}{n})^{nt}$ , substitute A = 100, r = 6%, t = 5 and use the correct value for n based on the number compounding period per year. Then we use the below custom function in R to solve it.

```
# Discrete Compounding Function
# Compounding a=100 at an interest rate r=6% incurring with frequency n a year, for 5 years.
fv_discrete <- function(n) {
  100*(1+0.06/n)^(n*5)
}</pre>
```

a. Compound annually

```
# compounded annually, so n=1
fv_discrete(1)
```

```
## [1] 133.8226
```

b. Compound quarterly

```
# compounded quarterly, so n=4
fv_discrete(4)
```

```
## [1] 134.6855
```

c. Compound monthly

```
# compounded monthly, so n=12
fv_discrete(12)
```

```
## [1] 134.885
```

d. Compound quarterly

```
# compounded daily, so n=365
fv_discrete(365)
```

```
## [1] 134.9826
```

For continuous compounding, we use the formula  $S = Ae^{rt}$ , substitute A = 100, r = 6%, t = 5. Thus:

```
fv_continuous <- 100*exp(0.06*5)
fv_continuous</pre>
```

```
## [1] 134.9859
```

## Question 3

Using the two formulas: Present value of cash flow (future returns):  $PV_{CF} = \frac{R_1}{(1+r)^1} + \frac{R_2}{(1+r)^2} + \frac{R_3}{(1+r)^3} + \dots + \frac{R_n}{(1+r)^n}$ 

Present value of the investment  $PV_{investment} = PV_{CF} + \frac{MV}{(1+r)^n}$  with  $R_1, R_2, R_3, \ldots$ , and  $R_n$  be the return each year and MV the market value at the end of the final year. Establishing the r functions

```
# Present value of cash flow (future returns)
pv_cf <- function(R,r) {
    sum(R/((1+r)^(1:length(R))))
}

pv_investment <- function(R,r,MV) {
    pv_cf(R,r) + MV/((1+r)^length(R))
}</pre>
```

Substituting the given value of future returns:

 $R_1 = 22000$ ,  $R_2 = 28500$ ,  $R_3 = 32000$ ,  $R_4 = 18000$ ,  $R_5 = 12000$  and the final year market value MV = 52000, we have:

Present value of future returns:

```
R <- c(22000, 28500, 32000, 18000, 12000) # Future returns
r <- 0.06 # interest rate

pv_cf(R,r) # PV of future returns</pre>
```

```
## [1] 96212.22
```

Present value of investment:

```
R <- c(22000, 28500, 32000, 18000, 12000) # Future returns
r <- 0.06 # interest rate
MV <- 52000 # market value of investment in the final year

pv_investment(R,r,MV) #PV of investment
```

```
## [1] 135069.6
```

### Question 4

Calculate NPV using this function  $NPV = PV_{Investment} - Initial Investment$ 

Using the method and parameters in **Question 3** to calculate  $PV_{Investment}$  and the initial investment valued at \$120,000, we have:

```
R <- c(22000, 28500, 32000, 18000, 12000) # Future returns
r <- 0.06 # interest rate
MV <- 52000 # market value of investment in the final year
init_investment <- 120000 # initial investment

npv <- pv_investment(R,r,MV) - init_investment #NPV
npv</pre>
```

## [1] 15069.64

## Question 5

Calculate PV of the perpetuity using the formula  $PV_{CF} = \frac{R_1}{(1+r)^1} + \frac{R_2}{(1+r)^2} + \frac{R_3}{(1+r)^3} + \dots + \frac{R_n}{(1+r)^n} = \frac{R}{r}$  with  $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = \dots = R_n$  and  $n = \infty$ 

Subtituing the parameters R = 1 and r = 5%, we have

```
perpetuity <- function(R,r) {
    R/r
}

R <- 1
r <- .05

perpetuity(1,.05)</pre>
```

## [1] 20

#### Question 6

#### a. Find IRR of question 4

```
IRR is the break-even root of the equation I_0 = \frac{R_1}{(1+r)^1} + \frac{R_2}{(1+r)^2} + \frac{R_3}{(1+r)^3} + \dots + \frac{R_n}{(1+r)^n}
Thus the problem turns into finding the non-complex root of the polynomial equation in the form of I_0 - \frac{R_1}{(1+r)^1} - \frac{R_2}{(1+r)^2} - \frac{R_3}{(1+r)^3} - \dots - \frac{R_n}{(1+r)^n} = 0
Note that the root will be in the form \frac{1}{1+r}
```

Using the parameters in Question 4

```
R <- c(22000, 28500, 32000, 18000, 12000 + 52000) # Future returns, adding the scrap value to the final init_investment <- 120000 # initial investment R_combine <- c(init_investment, R*(-1)) # rearrange the polynomial equation r <- polyroot(R_combine) # find roots of the polynomial equation, the return will be 1+r \\ (1/(Re(r)[abs(Im(r)) < 1e-6])) - 1 # find only the non-complex root of said equation and subtract 1
```

## [1] 0.09894825

# b. Find the rate of return on a \$24,000 investment with an annual return of \$4,500 for five years and a scrap value of \$2,500 at the end of the fifth year.

In this case  $I_0 = 24000$ ,  $R_1 = R_2 = R_3 = R_4 = R_5 = 4500$ , and MV = 2500 Using similar method in a. with the new parameters

```
R <- c(4500, 4500, 4500, 4500, 4500 + 2500) # Future returns, adding the scrap value to the final year init_investment <- 24000 # initial investment R_combine <- c(init_investment, R*(-1)) # rearrange the polynomial equation r <- polyroot(R_combine) # find roots of the polynomial equation, the return will be 1+r  (1/(Re(r)[abs(Im(r)) < 1e-6])) - 1 # find only the non-complex root of said equation and subtract 1
```

## [1] 0.01289476