

For full credit you must show your work. Partial credit may be given for incorrect solutions if sufficient work is shown.

1. Suppose you borrow \$9,000 for a term of three years with simple interest and 3.75% APR. How much is the total (principal plus interest) you must pay back on the loan? (4 pt)

We are given  $P = 9000$ ,  $t = 3$ ,  $r = 0.0375$ . We want to find  $F$ .

$$F = P(1 + rt) = 9000(1 + 0.0375 \cdot 3) = \boxed{\$10,012.50}$$

2. Between 1970 and 1979 the average annual inflation rate was 7.25%. Find the salary in 1970 that would be equivalent to a \$18,000 salary in 1979. (3 pt)

We are given  $F = 18000$ ,  $t = 9$ ,  $r = 0.0725$ . We want to find  $P$ . Recall that inflation means **compound interest**.

$$F = P(1 + r)^t \implies P = \frac{F}{(1 + r)^t} = \frac{18000}{(1 + 0.0725)^9} = \boxed{\$9,587.31}$$

3. Consider a CD paying a 2.4% APR compounded quarterly (four times a year). Find the periodic interest rate and then use it to calculate the future value of the CD assuming you invest \$5,000 for three years. (3 pt)

We are given  $P = 5000$ ,  $t = 3$ ,  $r = 0.024$ . The total number of times compounded is  $T = 3 \cdot 4 = 12$ . We want the periodic interest rate  $p$  and the future value  $F$ .

$$p = \frac{r}{\# \text{ times compounded per year}} = \frac{0.024}{4} = \boxed{0.006}$$

$$F = P(1 + p)^T = 5000(1 + 0.006)^{12} = \boxed{\$5,372.12}$$