

# Time Value of Money - How to be a mortgage expert

# Example

Assume an annual interest rate of 5%.

1. If you have \$100 today, how much will it be worth in one year?

$$100 \times (1 + 0.05) = 105$$

2. If you need \$100 in one year, how much should you save today?

$$\frac{100}{1 + 0.05} = 95.24$$

**Some questions to think about:**

- What if you save \$100 today, how much will it be worth in 10 years?
- What if you need \$100 in 10 years, how much should you save today?

# Interest Rate

- Interest rate: 5% *pa*
  - 5%: the interest is 5% of principal
  - *pa* (per annum): the interest is paid annually

## Interest Rate Example

An investor deposits \$10,000 in a bank account that pays interest at a rate of 5% *pa*.

- After 1 year, the interest earned by the investor is:

$$\$10,000 \times 0.05 = \$500$$

- The investor's bank balance after 1 year is:

$$\$10,000 + \$500 = \$10,500$$

## Interest Rate Example

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
0	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
1	\$10,000	\$500	\$10,500

## What happens after 2 years?

- **Simple interest:** Interest does not earn interest
  - Interest is calculated on the principal amount only
- **Compound interest:** Interest itself earns interest
  - Interest is calculated on the current total amount (principal + interest)

# Simple Interest

- **Simple interest:** interest does not earn interest

An investor deposits  $C$  in a bank account that pays simple interest at a rate of  $i\%$  *pa*

- After  $n$  years, the interest earned by the investor is:

$$\underbrace{C \times i + C \times i + \dots + C \times i}_n = nCi$$

- Accumulated value of  $C$  today at time  $n$  is:

$$AV = C + nCi = C(1 + ni)$$

- $n$  can be a non-integer

# Compound Interest

- **Compound interest:** interest itself earns interest

An investor deposits 10,000 in a bank account that pays compound interest at a rate of 5% pa.

- After 1 year, the investor's bank balance is:  
$$10,000 \times (1 + 0.05) = 10,500$$
- After 2 years, the investor's bank balance is:  
$$\begin{aligned} 10,500 \times (1 + 0.05) &= 11,025 \\ &= 10,000 \times (1 + 0.05) \times (1 + 0.05) \\ &= 10,000 \times 1.05^2 \end{aligned}$$

# Compound Interest

- After 3 years, the investor's bank balance is:

$$10,000 \times (1 + 0.05)^2 \times (1 + 0.05) = 11,576.25$$

Year	Principal	Interest	Total
0	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000
1	\$10,000	\$500	\$10,500
2	\$10,500	\$525	\$11,025
3	\$11,025	\$551.25	\$11,576.25
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# Compound Interest

An investor deposits  $C$  in a bank account that pays compound interest at a rate of  $i\%$  *pa*

- After  $n$  years, the investor's bank balance is:

$$AV = C \times \underbrace{(1 + i) \times (1 + i) \times \cdots \times (1 + i)}_n = C \times (1 + i)^n$$

- After  $n$  years, the interest earned by the investor is:

$$AV - C = C \times (1 + i)^n - C$$

- $n$  can be a non-integer



## Simple vs. Compound Interests

- Accumulated value of  $C$  with simple interest rate  $i$  pa after  $n$  years:

$$C(1 + ni)$$

- Accumulated value with compound interest rate  $i$  pa after  $n$  years:

$$C(1 + i)^n$$

- Actively reinvest interest yields a higher accumulated deposit!

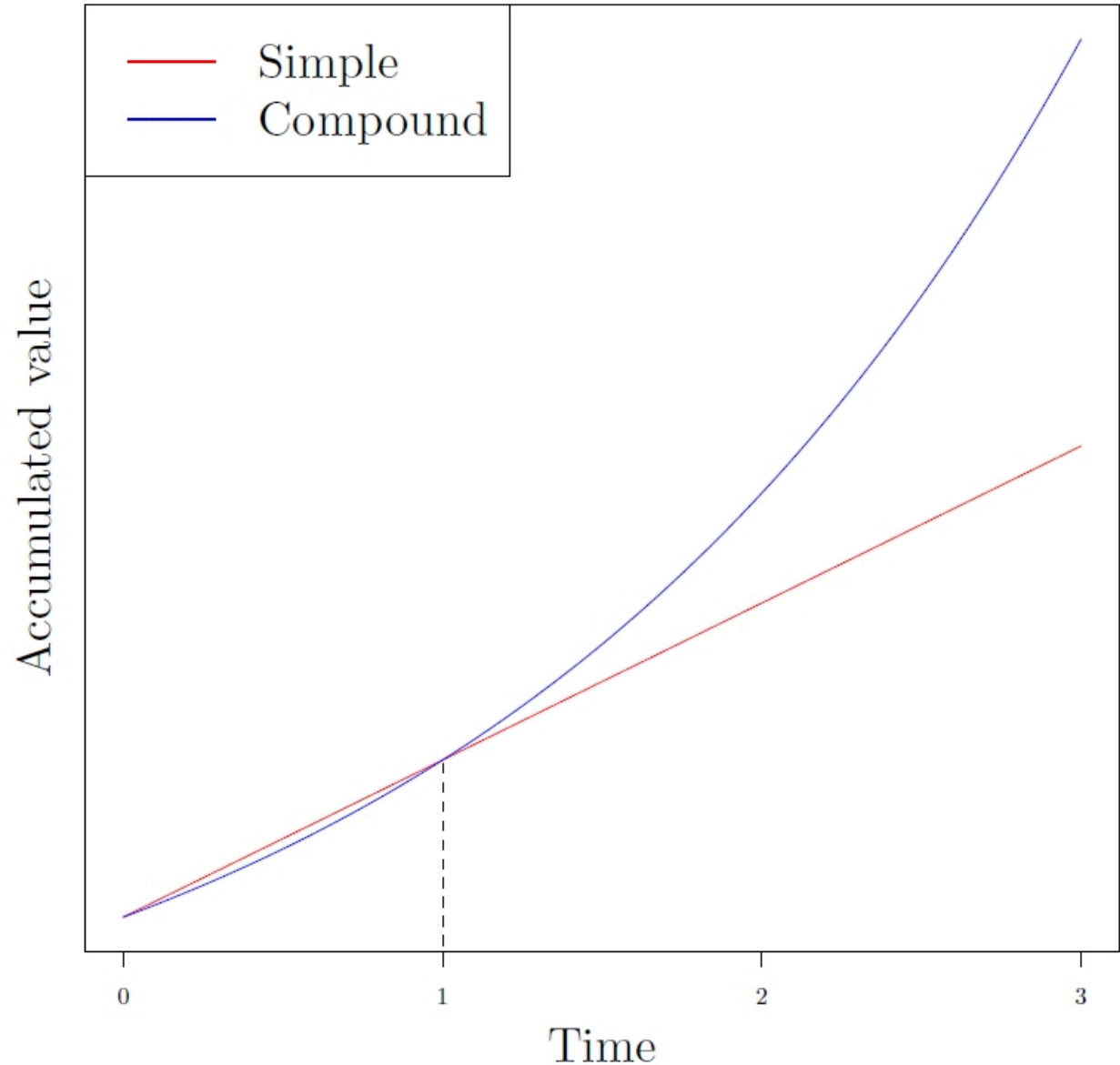
$$11,576.25 > 11,500$$

# Simple vs. Compound Interests

For the same principal, interest rate, and time period:

- Simple interest follows a straight line
- Compound interest follows an exponential curve

Compound interest grows faster **after the first period** (Why?).



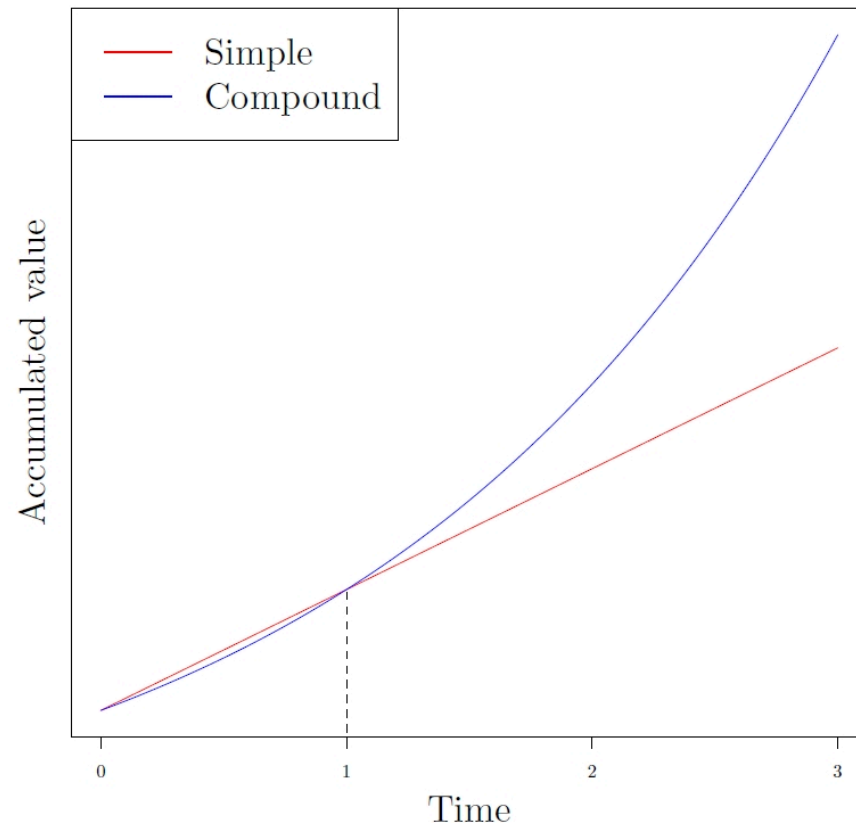
# Account Value as a Function of Time

Let  $A(t)$  be the account value at time  $t$  for a deposit at time 0. Here:

- $t$  is the time in years
- $A(t)$  is a value that depends on  $t$

*Note:* Usually we write  $y = f(x)$  to indicate

- $y$  is a dependent variable that depends on  $x$
- $f$  is a function, or a relationship to get  $y$  from  $x$
- $x$  is a independent variable



# Accumulation Factor

- For  $t_1 < t_2$ , we define  $A(t_1, t_2)$  to be the value at time  $t_2$  of an investment of 1 at time  $t_1$

$$\begin{array}{l} t_1 \rightarrow t_2 \\ 1 \rightarrow A(t_1, t_2) \end{array}$$

- By proportion, the accumulated value of deposit  $C$  from time  $t_1$  to time  $t_2$  is  $C \cdot A(t_1, t_2)$

$$\begin{array}{l} t_1 \rightarrow t_2 \\ C \rightarrow C \cdot A(t_1, t_2) \end{array}$$

- $A(t_1, t_2)$  is a function of two variables:  $t_1$  and  $t_2$ , that is, its value depends on the two times,  $t_1$  (the starting time) and  $t_2$  (the ending time).

# Accumulation Factor

In other words,

$$A(t_1, t_2) = \frac{A(t_2)}{A(t_1)}$$

Where:

- $A(t_1, t_2)$  is the accumulation factor
- $A(t_1)$  is the amount at time  $t_1$
- $A(t_2)$  is the amount at time  $t_2$

# Accumulation Factor

The accumulation factor is a "black box" to calculate the money received by customers:

$$C \text{ at } t_1 \xrightarrow{A(t_1, t_2)} CA(t_1, t_2) \text{ at } t_2$$

- As an mortgage expert, we should design the "black box"
- What is the functional form of  $A(t_1, t_2)$  and  $A(n)$  using **Simple interest**?
- What is the functional form of  $A(t_1, t_2)$  and  $A(n)$  using **Compound interest**?

# Accumulation Factor - Simple Interest

Time:

$$t_1 \rightarrow t_2$$

Account Value:

$$1 \rightarrow 1 + (t_2 - t_1)i$$

The accumulation factor from time  $t_1$  to time  $t_2$  for simple interest:

$$A(t_1, t_2) = 1 + (t_2 - t_1)i$$

**Be careful!**

The accumulation of  $(1 + t_1 i)$  at  $t_1$  with simple interest is not  $(1 + t_2 i)$  at time  $t_2$ .

# Accumulation Factor - Compound Interest

Time:

$$t_1 \rightarrow t_2$$

Account Value:

$$1 \rightarrow (1 + i)^{t_2 - t_1}$$

The accumulation factor from time  $t_1$  to time  $t_2$  for compound interest:

$$A(t_1, t_2) = (1 + i)^{t_2 - t_1}$$



## Accumulation Factor

- The abbreviated notation  $A(n)$  is used for  $A(0, n)$
- The accumulation factor from time 0 to time  $n$  for simple interest:

$$A(n) = \frac{1 + ni}{1} = 1 + ni$$

- The accumulation factor from time 0 to time  $n$  for compound interest:

$$A(n) = \frac{(1 + i)^n}{1} = (1 + i)^n$$

## Example

The accumulation factor  $A(5) = 2.5$ . Calculate the accumulated value of an investment of 1,000 at time 0 after 5 years.

- $t_1 = 0$  and  $t_2 = 5$
- $A(5) = 2.5$
- Amount at time 0 = 1,000

## Answer

$$\text{Amount at time 5} = A(5) \times \text{Amount at time 0} = 2.5 \times 1,000 = 2,500$$

## Example

An investment of 1, 000 accumulates to 2, 500 after 5 years. Calculate the accumulation factor  $A(5)$ .

## Answer

$$A(5) = \frac{\text{Amount at time 5}}{\text{Amount at time 0}} = \frac{2, 500}{1, 000} = 2.5$$

# Python Implementation

We will use Python functions to implement the accumulation factor.

Fill in the blanks:

```
def acc_factor(t1, t2, i, simple=True):  
    if simple:  
        return ____  
    else:  
        return ____
```

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We will use Python functions to implement the accumulation factor.

```
def acc_factor(t1, t2, i, simple=True):  
    if simple:  
        return 1 + (t2 - t1) * i  
    else:  
        return (1 + i) ** (t2 - t1)
```

# Practice Problems

## Basic

1. Using the accumulation factor, calculate the accumulated value of an investment of 1,000 at time 0 after 5 years using simple interest of 5% pa.
2. Using the accumulation factor, calculate the accumulated value of an investment of 1,000 at time 0 after 5 years using compound interest of 5% pa.

## Intermediate

3. Using the accumulation factor, calculate the accumulated value at 5.5 years of an investment of 1,000 at year 3 using simple interest of 1.5% pa.
4. Using the accumulation factor, calculate the accumulated value at 5.5 years of an investment of 1,000 at year 3 using compound interest of 1.5% pa.

## Advanced

5. If you need 1,000 at time 5, how much should you deposit at time 0 using simple interest of 5% pa?
6. If you need 1,000 at time 5, how much should you deposit at time 0 using compound interest of 5% pa?