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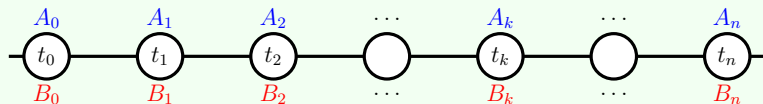
## How do you measure how well an investment is doing?

- (Effective annual) yield rate.  
PRO: Straightforward to compute  
Conceptually easy to explain  
CON: Can't account for investing money at different times
- Implied (effective annual) interest rate.  
PRO: Works for bonds and investing at different times  
CON: Might not exist or might be meaningless
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# What is an investment?

## Investment

By an investment we mean a series of cashflows



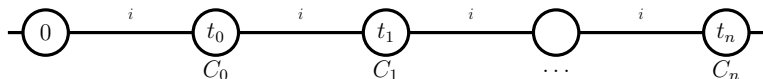
- Receive  $A_k$  at time  $t_k$
- Pay  $B_k$  at time  $t_k$
- Cash flow at time  $t_k$  is  $C_k = A_k - B_k$ .

## Internal Rate of Return

The IRR of an investment is the implied effective annual interest rate  $i$  such that

$$PV_i(C_0, C_1, \dots, C_n) = 0.$$

# IRR Equation of Value



## IRR

The IRR is **any** effective annual interest rate  $i$  such that

$$C_0 v_i^{t_0} + C_1 v_i^{t_1} + \cdots + C_n v_i^{t_n} = 0$$
$$\frac{C_0}{(1+i)^{t_0}} + \frac{C_1}{(1+i)^{t_1}} + \cdots + \frac{C_n}{(1+i)^{t_n}} = 0.$$

# Examples

## Loans:

- Loan amount  $L$  at time  $t_0 = 0$ .
- Payments  $K_1, \dots, K_n$  at times  $t_1 = 1, \dots, t_n = n$ .
- Cash flow  $C_0 = L, C_1 = -K_1, \dots, C_n = -K_n$ .

## Bonds:

- Price  $P$ .
- Coupons  $F \cdot r, \dots, F \cdot r, F \cdot r + F$ .
- Cash flow  $C_0 = -P, C_1 = F \cdot r, \dots, C_{n-1} = F \cdot r, C_n = F \cdot r + F$ .

# Exercise

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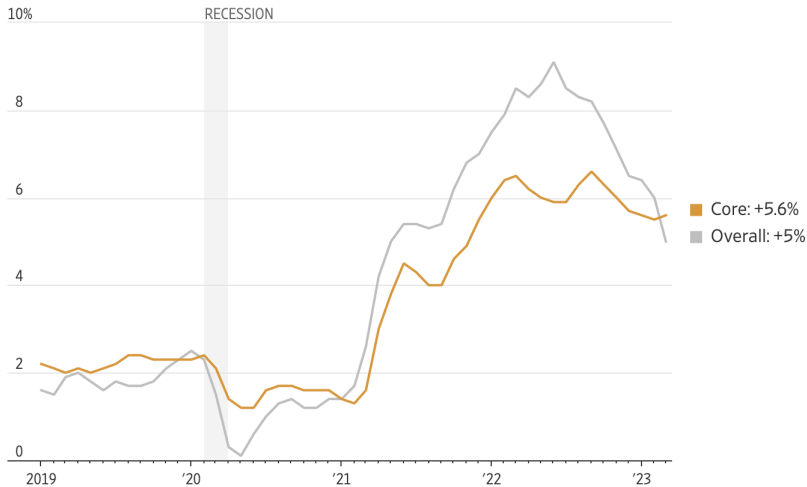
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(2): The bigger the sale price  $Y$ , the bigger the IRR. To find we smallest  $Y$  for which IRR is positive, we can preted IRR is 0.



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## Consumer-price index, 12-month change



Source: Labor Department

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We have to solve

$$-150000 - 1200a_{\overline{24}|j} - 10000(\nu^6 + \nu^{18}) + (Y - 741200)\nu^{24} = 0.$$

# Solving the equation

Input interpretation

solve

$$-150\,000 - 1200 \times \frac{1 - \frac{1}{(1+x)^{24}}}{(1+x)^{24}} - 10\,000 \left( \frac{1}{(1+x)^6} + \frac{x}{(1+x)^{18}} \right) + \frac{1\,000\,000 - 741\,200}{(1+x)^{24}} = 0$$

Results

[More roots](#)

$$x \approx -2.01870$$

$$x \approx 0.0125132$$

$$x \approx -1.98803 - 0.26535 i$$

$$x \approx -1.98803 + 0.26535 i$$

$$x \approx -1.88982 - 0.51371 i$$

# Problems with IRR

We define the IRR as an implied interest rate such that

$$PV_i(C_0, C_1, \dots, C_n) = 0.$$

## Possible problems:

- A solution for  $i$  might not exist.
- More than one solution for  $i$  might exist.
- A solution obtained might be meaningless.

# Unique solution to IRR equation

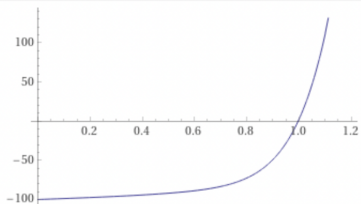
## Theorem

Suppose an investment has  $C_0 = L > 0$  (resp.  $L < 0$ ) and  $C_1, \dots, C_n < 0$  (resp.  $C_1, \dots, C_n > 0$ ). Then there is a unique IRR.

Input interpretation

plot  $-100 + 12x + 15x^3 + 75x^9$   $x = 0$  to  $1.2$

Plot

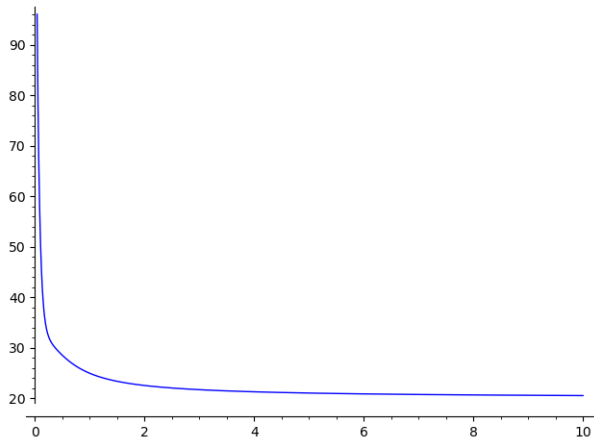


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and Transaction B has net cashflows

$$C_0^B = -5, C_1^B = 3, C_2^B = 1.7, C_3^B = 3.$$

**Question:** What are the IRR for A and B? ( $\nu_A = 0.797891$ ,  $i_A = 25.330403\%$  and  $\nu_B = 0.797906$ ,  $i_B = 25.32804\%$ )

# Problems with IRR: multiple solutions

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**Question:** You sell A and buy B. What is the IRR?  
(11.11%, 25%)

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The **Net Present Value** of an investment is simply the present value  $PV_i$  at a certain (market) interest rate  $i$ , which can be thought of as **cost of capital**.

# NPV in comparing investments

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**Question:** For what (market prevailing) interest rates  $i$  is  $A$  better than  $B$ ? ( $i < 11.11\%$  or  $i > 25\%$ )

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### IRR

IRR is the annual interest rate  $i$  that solves

$$PV_i(C_0, \dots) = 0$$

### NPV

For a specified interest rate  $i$ , the NPV is

$$NPV_i = PV_i(C_0, \dots)$$

### Remark

*IRR is the  $i$  for which  $NPV_i = 0$ .*

# Continuous versions of IRR and NPV

	IRR	NPV
Idea	$PV_i(\text{Cashflows}) = 0$	$= PV_i(\text{Cashflows})$
Discrete	$C_0 + \frac{C_1}{1+i} + \dots + \frac{C_n}{(1+i)^n} = 0$	$C_0 + \frac{C_1}{1+i} + \dots + \frac{C_n}{(1+i)^n}$
Continuous	$\int_0^n C_t e^{-\delta t} dt = 0$	$\int_0^n C_t e^{-\int_0^t \delta_x dx} dt.$

## Exercise

### 5.1.11

Suppose a company is marketing a new product. The production and marketing process involves a startup cost of 1,000,000 and continuing cost of 200,000 per year for 5 years, paid continuously. It is forecast that revenue from the product will begin one year after startup, and will continue until the end of the original 5-year production process. Revenue (which will be received continuously) is estimated to start at a rate of 500,000 per year and increase linearly (and continuously) over a two-year period to a rate of 1,000,000 per year at the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> year, and then decrease to a rate of 200,000 per year at the end of the 5<sup>th</sup> year. Solve for the yield rate  $\delta$  earned by the company over the 5-year period.

$$(\delta = 17.42\%)$$



# Exercise

$$-1000+250*\left[\int_{1}^{3} (1+x)*e^{(-xy)}dx\right]-200*\left[\int_{0}^{5} e^{(-xy)}dx\right]+400*\left[\int_{3}^{5} (5.5-x)*e^{(-xy)}dx\right]$$

 NATURAL LANGUAGE  MATH INPUT

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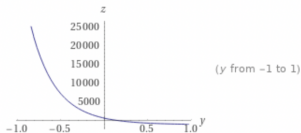
Input

$$-1000 + 250 \int_1^3 (1+x) e^{-xy} dx - 200 \int_0^5 e^{-xy} dx + 400 \int_3^5 (5.5-x) e^{-xy} dx$$

Result

$$\frac{250 e^{-3y} (-4y + e^{2y} (2y + 1) - 1)}{y^2} + \frac{400 e^{-5y} (-0.5y + e^{2y} (2.5y - 1) + 1)}{y^2} - \frac{200(1 - e^{-5y})}{y} - 1000$$

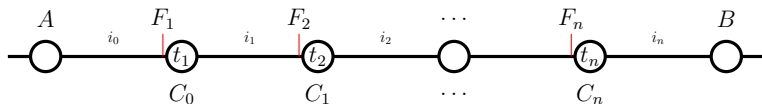
Plots



# Time weighted IRR

## Idea

Given an investment we'd like a **yield** that is truly internal, i.e., one that isn't affected by cashflows.



Ignoring cash flows the investment behaves as follows:

Period	Start	End	Per period yield
0	$A$	$F_1$	$i_0$
1	$F_1 + C_1$	$F_2$	$i_2$
2	$F_2 + C_2$	$F_3$	$i_3$
$\vdots$			
$n$	$F_n + C_n$	$B$	$i_n$

# Time weighted IRR

## Definition

The **time weighted IRR** is the average rate of the in-between cash flows rates of return:

$$\begin{aligned}(1 + i)^N &= (1 + i_0)(1 + i_1) \cdots (1 + i_n) \\ &= \frac{F_1}{A} \cdot \frac{F_2}{F_1 + C_1} \cdot \frac{F_3}{F_2 + C_2} \cdots \frac{B}{F_n + C_n}.\end{aligned}$$

## Example

Suppose we start with 100 and at the end of every year, for 10 years, we deposit 100 into an account at interest rate 5%. What are the IRR and time-weighted IRR? (6.657% and 5%)

# Exercise

## 5.2.1

The details regarding fund value, contributions and withdrawals from a fund are as follows:

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Fund Values:	1/1/15	1,000,000
	7/1/15	1,310,000
	1/1/16	1,265,000
	7/1/16	1,540,000
	1/1/17	1,420,000
Contributions	6/30/15	250,000
Received:	6/30/16	250,000
Benefits	12/31/15	150,000
Paid:	12/31/16	150,000

Find the effective annual time-weighted rate of return for the two-year period of 2015 and 2016.

(9.1%)

## Exercise

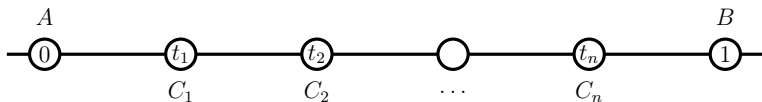
Date	Fund	Activity
1/1/15	1m	
6/30/15		250k
7/1/15	1.31m	
12/31/15		-150k
1/1/16	1.265m	
6/30/16		250k
7/1/16	1.54m	
12/31/16		-150k
1/1/17	1.42m	

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# Dollar-weighted IRR for 1 year

## Idea

Pretend money in the investment earns **simple interest** over the course of the year.



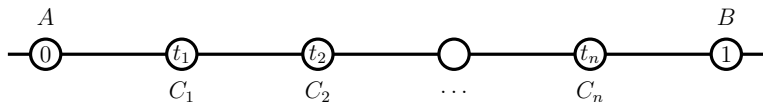
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Simple interest money earned:

$$SI = Ai + C_1i(1 - t_1) + C_2i(1 - t_2) + \dots + C_ni(1 - t_n)$$



## Dollar-weighted IRR for 1 year

The **dollar-weighted IRR** is the implied simple interest obtained by equating the “interest” earned  $I$  with the simple interest earned  $SI$ :

$$i = \frac{B - (A + C_1 + C_2 + \cdots + C_n)}{A + C_1(1 - t_1) + C_2(1 - t_2) + \cdots + C_n(1 - t_n)}.$$

## Exercise

### 5.2.2

You are given the following information about an investment account:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Value Immediately Before Deposit</b>	<b>Deposit</b>
January 1	10	
July 1	12	$X$
December 31	$X$	

Over the year, the time-weighted return is 0%, and the dollar-weighted return is  $Y$ . Calculate  $Y$ .

(-25%)