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COURSE MATERIALS

HSC Mathematics

Sequences and Series

Term I – Week 4

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Term 1 – Week 4 – Theory

SERIES APPLICATIONS:

EXAMPLE: (HOME LOAN REPAYMENT)

A person borrows \$50,000 to purchase a home at 2% per month reducible interest and repays the loan in equal monthly installments over 5 years. What is the amount of each installment?

SOLUTION:

Let the amount owing after n months be A_n and the monthly installments be M

$$A_1 = 50000 \times 1.02 - M$$

$$A_2 = A_1 \times 1.02 - M$$

$$= (50000 \times 1.02 - M) \times 1.02 - M$$

$$= 50000 \times 1.02^2 - M \times 1.02 - M$$

$$= 50000 \times 1.02^2 - M(1.02 + 1)$$

$$A_3 = A_2 \times 1.02 - M$$

$$= (50000 \times 1.02^2 - M(1.02 + 1)) \times 1.02 - M$$

$$= 50,000 \times 1.02^3 - M \times 1.02^2 - M \times 1.02 - M$$

$$= 50,000 \times 1.02^3 - M(1.02^2 + 1.02 + 1)$$

Following this pattern, after 60 months

$$A_{60} = 50,000 \times 1.02^{60} - M(1 + 1.02 + 1.02^2 + \dots + 1.02^{59})$$

$$= 50000 \times 1.02^{60} - \frac{M(1.02^{60}-1)}{1.02-1}$$

But after 60 months all money are repaid. Thus $A_{60} = 0$,

$$0 = 50000 \times 1.02^{60} - \frac{M(1.02^{60} - 1)}{1.02 - 1}$$

$$\frac{M(1.02^{60} - 1)}{1.02 - 1} = 50000 \times 1.02^{60}$$

$$M = 50000 \times 1.02^{60} \times \frac{1.02 - 1}{1.02^{60} - 1}$$

$$\therefore M = 1438.40 \quad (\text{nearest cent})$$

\therefore The monthly installments are \$1438.40 (to the nearest cent).

EXAMPLE: (HOME LOAN)

A person borrows \$20,000 to purchase a home at 12% per annum reducible interest. He makes payments of \$500 per month. Interest is calculated just before each payment.

- (i) Find the amount owing after the first year.
- (ii) Find the number of months required to repay the loan.

SOLUTION:

- (i) Let A_n denote the amount owing after n months.

$$A_1 = 20000 \times 1.01 - 500$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_2 &= A_1 \times 1.01 - 500 \\ &= (20000 \times 1.01 - 500) \times 1.01 - 500 \\ &= 20000 \times 1.01^2 - 500 \times 1.01 - 500 \\ &= 20000 \times 1.01^2 - 500(1.01 + 1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_3 &= A_2 \times 1.01 - 500 \\ &= (20000 \times 1.01^2 - 500(1.01 + 1)) \times 1.01 - 500 \\ &= 20000 \times 1.01^3 - 500(1.01^2 + 1.01 + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Following this pattern,

$$\begin{aligned} A_n &= 20000 \times 1.01^n - 500(1 + 1.01 + 1.01^2 + 1.01^3 + \dots + 1.01^{n-1}) \\ &= 20000 \times 1.01^n - \frac{500(1.01^n - 1)}{1.01 - 1} \end{aligned}$$

Hence, after 1 year (i.e. $n = 12$)

$$\begin{aligned} A_{12} &= 20000 \times 1.01^{12} - \frac{500(1.01^{12} - 1)}{1.01 - 1} \\ \therefore A_{12} &= 16195.25 \quad (\text{to th nearest cent}) \\ \therefore \$16195.25 &\text{ is still owing after 1 year.} \end{aligned}$$

- (ii) $A_n = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} 20000 \times 1.01^n - \frac{500(1.01^n - 1)}{1.01 - 1} &= 0 \\ 20000 \times 1.01^n - 50000(1.01^n - 1) &= 0 \\ 20000(1.01)^n - 50000(1.01)^n + 50000 &= 0 \\ -30000(1.01)^n &= -50000 \\ (1.01)^n &= \frac{5}{3} \\ n &= \log_{1.01} \left(\frac{5}{3} \right) \\ n &= \frac{\ln \left(\frac{5}{3} \right)}{\ln 1.01} \\ n &= 51.34 \quad (\text{nearest 2 decimal places}) \\ \therefore n &= 52 \text{ months} \end{aligned}$$

\therefore 52 months are required to repay the loan.

Term 1 – Week 4 – Homework

SERIES APPLICATIONS:

1. An investment fund intends to pay interest at the rate of 6% p.a. compounded every six months.
 - (i) If an investment of \$250 is made today, what amount (i.e. principal and interest) will be available for withdrawal in ten years time?
 - (ii) If nineteen further investments of \$250 are made every 6 months, show that the amount available for withdrawal in ten years time will be \$6919 to the nearest dollar. (Assume no withdrawals are made during this time)

2. Jasper borrowed \$20 000 from a finance company to purchase a car. Interest on the loan is calculated quarterly at a rate of 10% p.a. and is charged immediately prior to Jasper making his quarterly repayment of \$ M .
- (i) Write an expression for A_1 , the amount owing after 1 payment has been made.
 - (ii) Show that $A_n = 20000 \times 1.025^n - 40M(1.025^n - 1)$.
 - (iii) If the loan were to be paid out over 7 years, what would the value of M be?
 - (iv) If Jasper were to pay \$1282.94 per quarter in repayments, how long would it take to pay out his loans?



3. When Jack left school he borrowed \$15 000 to buy his first car. The interest rate on the loan was 18% p.a. and Jack planned to pay back the loan in equal monthly instalments of $\$M$.
- (i) Show that immediately after making his first instalment, Jack owed $\$[15000 \times 1.015 - M]$.
 - (ii) Show that immediately after making his third instalment, Jack owed $\$[15000 \times 1.015^3 - M(1 + 1.015 + 1.015^2)]$.
 - (iii) Calculate the value of M .

4. An amount of \$10 000 is borrowed and an interest rate of 1% per month is charged monthly. An amount M is repaid every month.
- (i) If A_n is the amount owing after n months, show that
- $$A_n = 100000(1.01)^n - M \left(\frac{1.01^n - 1}{0.01} \right).$$
- (ii) Find the value of M to the nearest cent, if the loan is to be repaid at the end of five years.
- (iii) How much extra in total will be repaid if the loan is repaid over a period of seven years?



5. Kelvin borrows \$200 000 from his bank. Interest is compounded monthly at 0.425% per month. A_n is the amount owed after n payments, M is the amount of the monthly instalments and the loan is repaid after n months.
- Show that $A_2 = 200000(1.00425)^2 - M(1.00425) - M$
 - Show that $M = \frac{200000(1.00425)^n(0.00425)}{1.00425^n - 1}$
 - Find the amount of the monthly instalments if Kelvin agrees to pay the loan over 30 years.
 - If Kelvin instead decided to pay monthly instalments of \$1331 from the beginning of the loan, how long will he take to repay the loan?

6. Simone borrows \$20 000 over 4 years at a rate of 1% per month, compounded monthly. If she pays of the loan in four equal yearly instalments, find:
- (i) The amount she will owe after 1 month.
 - (ii) The amount she will owe after the first year, just before she pays the instalment.
 - (iii) The amount of each instalment.
 - (iv) The total amount of interest she will pay.



7. Karen borrows \$15000 from the bank. The loan plus interest and charges are to be repaid at the end of each month in equal monthly instalments of \$ M over five years. Interest is charged at 6% p.a. and is calculated on the balance owing at the beginning of each month. Furthermore, at the end of each month a bank charge of \$15 is added to the account. Let A_n be the amount owing after n months.

- (i) Write down expressions for A_1 and A_2 and show that the amount owing after three months is given by

$$A_3 = 15\,000 \times 1.005^3 - (M - 15)(1 + 1.005 + 1.005^2)$$

- (ii) Hence write an expression for A_n .
(iii) Find the value of M correct to the nearest cent.

End of homework

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