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Simple & Compound Interest

Simple interest: $I = P \times r \times n$

Compound interest: $FV = P \times (1 + r)^n$

$P = \text{principal}$, $r = \text{interest rate per period}$, $n = \text{number of periods}$

Annuities & Perpetuities

PV of annuity = $A \times [1 - (1 + r)^{-n}] / r$

PV of perpetuity = A / r

$A = \text{periodic cash flow}$, $r = \text{interest rate per period}$

Growing Perpetuity

$PV = A / (r - g)$

$g = \text{constant growth rate per period (only valid where } r > g)$

Effective & Nominal Interest Rates

Effective annual rate = $(1 + r/m)^m - 1$

$r = \text{nominal annual rate}$, $m = \text{compounding periods per year}$

Index Numbers

Price relative = $(\text{Current price} / \text{Base price}) \times 100$

Laspeyres price index = $S(P1 \times Q0) / S(P0 \times Q0) \times 100$

Laspeyres weights by BASE year quantities (Q0)

Price Elasticity of Demand (PED)

$PED = \% \text{change in quantity demanded} / \% \text{change in price}$

$|PED| > 1 = \text{elastic}$; $|PED| < 1 = \text{inelastic}$; $= 1 \text{ unit elastic}$

Income Elasticity of Demand (YED)

$YED = \% \text{change in quantity demanded} / \% \text{change in income}$

$YED > 0 = \text{normal good}$; $YED < 0 = \text{inferior good}$

Cross Elasticity of Demand (XED)

$XED = \% \text{change in } Qd \text{ of good A} / \% \text{change in price of good B}$

$XED > 0 = \text{substitutes}$; $XED < 0 = \text{complements}$

Linear Regression (Forecasting)

Line of best fit: $y = a + bx$

a and b values are provided or derived from data given in the question

Correlation & Determination

Correlation coefficient r : $-1 \leq r \leq 1$

Coefficient of determination = r^2

r^2 shows the proportion of variation in y explained by x