

Some useful formulas:

$$A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$$

$$A = P(1 + rt)$$

$$A = P \left[\frac{(1+i)^m - 1}{i} \right]$$

$$V = P \left[\frac{1 - (1+i)^{-m}}{i} \right]$$

(1) [5] How much should be deposited now in order to have \$100 after two years if the interest rate is 3% compounded monthly?

$$A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$$

$$\therefore P = \frac{A}{\left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}}$$

$$= \frac{100}{\left(1 + \frac{0.03}{12}\right)^{(12)(2)}}$$

$$= \boxed{\$94.18}$$

(2) [5] What rate of interest compounded annually is required to double an investment in 3 years?

$$\text{Solve : } P \left(1 + \frac{r}{1}\right)^{(1)(3)} = 2P$$

$$(1+r)^3 = 2$$

$$1+r = 2^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$r = 2^{\frac{1}{3}} - 1$$

$$r \approx 0.2599 = \boxed{25.99\%}$$

(3) [5] A person wishes to accumulate \$12,000 to buy a car three years from now. Equal deposits will be made at the end of every three months into an account paying 2% compounded quarterly. How much should each deposit be in order to reach the \$12,000 goal?

$$A = P \left[\frac{(1+i)^m - 1}{i} \right]$$

Here $A = 12,000$

$$m = (3)(4) = 12$$

$$i = \frac{0.02}{4} = 0.005$$

$$\therefore P = \frac{iA}{(1+i)^m - 1}$$

$$= \frac{(0.005)(12,000)}{(1+0.005)^{12} - 1}$$

$$= \boxed{\$972.80}$$

Timeline here is:

