

lecture 23 Practice

Solutions

1.

Money is transferred continuously into an account at the constant rate of \$1500 per year. The account earns interest at the annual rate of 5% compounded continuously. How much will be in the account at the end of 4 years? Round your final answer to the nearest cent.

The future value of the income stream is \$ ____ .

Solution:

Note that P dollars invested at 5% compounded continuously will be worth $Pe^{0.05t}$ dollars t years later.

To approximate the future value of the income stream, divide the 4-year time interval $0 \leq t \leq 4$ into n equal subintervals of length Δt years and let t_k denote the beginning of the k th subinterval. Then, during the k th subinterval (of length Δt years),

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Money deposited} &= (\text{dollars per year})(\text{number of years}) \\ &= 1500\Delta t \end{aligned}$$

If all of this money were deposited at the beginning of the subinterval (at time t_k), it would remain in the account for $4 - t_k$ years and therefore would grow to

$(1500\Delta t)e^{0.05(4 - t_k)}$ dollars. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{Future value of} \\ &\text{money deposited} \approx 1500e^{0.05(4 - t_k)}\Delta t \\ &\text{during } k\text{th subinterval} \end{aligned}$$

The future value of the entire income stream is the sum of the future values of the money deposited during each of the n subintervals. Hence,

$$\text{Future value of income stream} \approx \sum^n 1500e^{0.05(4 - t_k)}\Delta t$$

$$k = 1$$

(Note that this is only an approximation because it is based on the assumption that all $1500\Delta t_k$ dollars are deposited at time t_k rather than continuously throughout the k th subinterval.)

As n increases without bound, the length of each subinterval approaches zero and the approximation approaches the true future value of the income stream. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Future value of income stream} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n 1500e^{0.05(4-t_k)\Delta t} \\ &= \int_0^4 1500e^{0.05(4-t)} dt \\ &= 1500e^{0.2} \int_0^4 e^{-0.05t} dt \\ &= -\frac{1500}{0.05} e^{0.2}(e^{-0.05t}) \Big|_0^4 \\ &= -30000e^{0.2}(e^{-0.2} - 1) \\ &= -30000 + 30000e^{0.2} \\ &\approx \$6642.08 \end{aligned}$$

Correct answer is: 6642.08

2.

Money is transferred continuously into an account at the constant rate of \$2400 per year. The account earns interest at the annual rate of 4% compounded continuously. How much will be in the account at the end of 4 years? Round your final answer to the nearest cent.

The future value of the income stream is \$ ____ .

Solution:

Note that P dollars invested at 4% compounded continuously will be worth $Pe^{0.04t}$ dollars t years later.

To approximate the future value of the income stream, divide the 4-year time interval

$0 \leq t \leq 4$ into n equal subintervals of length Δt years and let t_k denote the beginning of the k th subinterval. Then, during the k th subinterval (of length Δt years),

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Money deposited} &= (\text{dollars per year})(\text{number of years}) \\ &= 2400\Delta t\end{aligned}$$

If all of this money were deposited at the beginning of the subinterval (at time t_k), it would remain in the account for $4 - t_k$ years and therefore would grow to $(2400\Delta t)e^{0.04(4 - t_k)}$ dollars. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Future value of} \\ \text{money deposited} &\approx 2400e^{0.04(4 - t_k)}\Delta t \\ \text{during } k\text{th subinterval}\end{aligned}$$

The future value of the entire income stream is the sum of the future values of the money deposited during each of the n subintervals. Hence,

$$\text{Future value of income stream} \approx \sum_{k=1}^n 2400e^{0.04(4 - t_k)}\Delta t$$

(Note that this is only an approximation because it is based on the assumption that all $2400\Delta t_k$ dollars are deposited at time t_k rather than continuously throughout the k th subinterval.)

As n increases without bound, the length of each subinterval approaches zero and the approximation approaches the true future value of the income stream. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Future value of income stream} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n 2400e^{0.04(4 - t_k)}\Delta t \\ &= \int_0^4 2400e^{0.04(4 - t)} dt \\ &= 2400e^{0.16} \int_0^4 e^{-0.04t} dt \\ &= -\frac{2400}{0.04} e^{0.16}(e^{-0.04t}) \Big|_0^4 \\ &= -60000e^{0.16}(e^{-0.16} - 1) \\ &= -60000 + 60000e^{0.16} \\ &\approx \$10410.65\end{aligned}$$

Correct answer is: 10410.65

3.

Jane is trying to decide between two investments. The first costs \$1000 and is expected to generate a continuous income stream at the rate of $f_1(t) = 3500e^{0.03t}$ dollars per year. The second investment costs \$4300 and is estimated to generate income at the constant rate of $f_2(t) = 4200$ dollars per year. If the prevailing annual interest rate remains fixed at 5% compounded continuously over the next 5 years, which investment will generate more net income over this time period? Round your intermediate calculations to two decimal places.

A. The second investment is better.

B. The first investment is better.

Solution:

The net income generated by each investment over the 5-year time period is the present value of the investment less its initial cost. For each investment, we have $r = 0.05$ and $T = 5$.

For the first investment:

$$\begin{aligned}
 PV - \text{cost} &= \int_0^5 (3500e^{0.03t})e^{-0.05t} dt - 1000 \\
 &= 3500 \int_0^5 e^{0.03t - 0.05t} dt - 1000 \\
 &= 3500 \int_0^5 e^{-0.02t} dt - 1000 \\
 &= 3500 \left(\frac{e^{-0.02t}}{-0.02} \right) \Bigg|_0^5 - 1000 \\
 &= -175000[e^{-0.02(5)} - e^0] - 1000 \\
 &= 15653.45
 \end{aligned}$$

For the second investment:

$$\begin{aligned}
 PV - \text{cost} &= \int_0^5 (4200)e^{-0.05t} dt - 4300 \\
 &= 4200 \left(\frac{e^{-0.05t}}{-0.05} \right) \Bigg|_0^5 - 4300 \\
 &= -84000[e^{-0.05(5)} - e^0] - 4300 \\
 &= 14280.73
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the net income generated by the first investment is \$15653.45, while the second investment generates net income of \$14280.73. The first investment is better.

Correct answer is: B

4.

Find the Gini index for the Lorentz curve $L(x) = 0.84x^2 + 0.16x$.

Gini index = _____

Solution:

The Gini index is given by the formula

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Gini index} &= 2 \int_0^1 [x - L(x)] dx \\
 &= 2 \int_0^1 [x - (0.84x^2 + 0.16x)] dx \\
 &= 2 \left[-0.84 \left(\frac{x^3}{3} \right) + 0.84 \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right) \right] \Bigg|_0^1 \\
 &= 0.28
 \end{aligned}$$

Correct answer is: 0.28

5.

A governmental agency determines that the Lorentz curves for the distribution of income for dentists and contractors in a certain state are given by the functions

$$L_1(x) = x^{2.7} \quad \text{and} \quad L_2(x) = 0.2x^2 + 0.8x$$

respectively. For which profession is the distribution of income more fairly distributed?

A. Contractors

B. Dentists

Solution:

The respective Gini indices are

$$G_1 = 2 \int_0^1 (x - x^{2.7}) dx = 2 \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^{3.7}}{3.7} \right) \Big|_0^1 = 0.4595$$

and

$$G_2 = 2 \int_0^1 [x - (0.2x^2 + 0.8x)] dx$$

$$= 2 \left[-0.2 \left(\frac{x^3}{3} \right) + 0.2 \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right) \right] \Big|_0^1 = 0.0667$$

Since the Gini index for contractors is smaller, it follows that in this state, the incomes of contractors are more evenly distributed than those of dentists.

Correct answer is: A
