

Module 4

The Time Value of Money

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Finance Is Time Travel

- “The essence of finance is time travel. Saving is about moving resources from the present into the future; financing is about moving resources from the future back into the present. . . .”
- Matt Levine on [Bloomberg](#)

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- The role of inflation
- EAR vs. APR

Module 4, Part 1

Future Value, Present Value, and Financial Calculators

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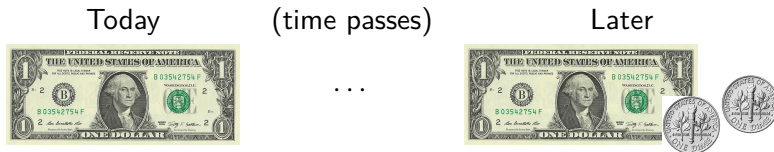
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- Assuming,
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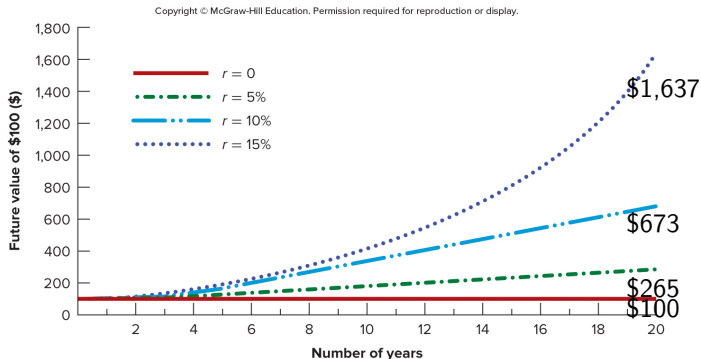
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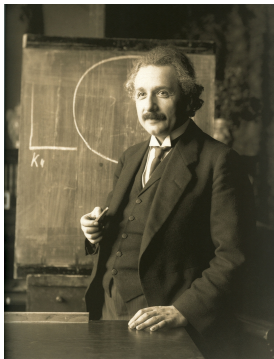
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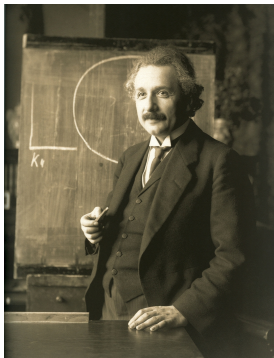


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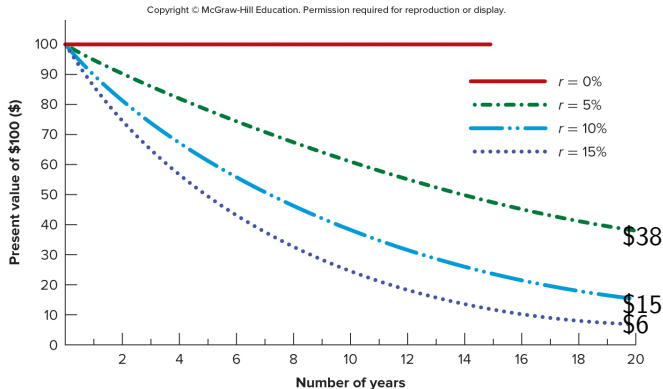
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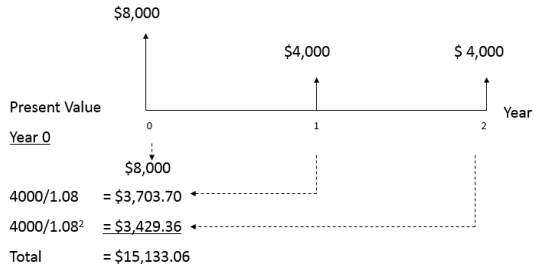
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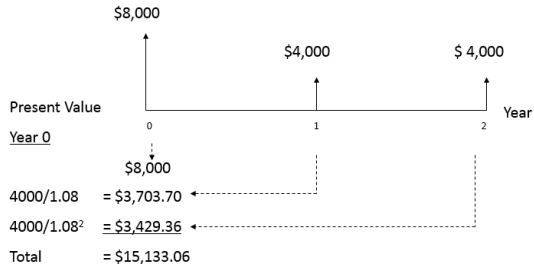
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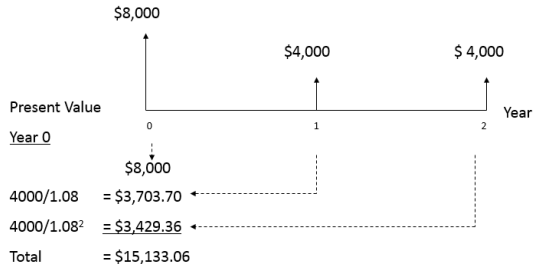
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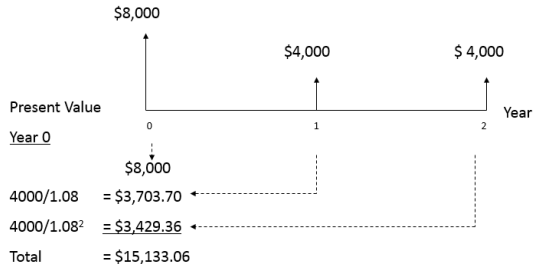


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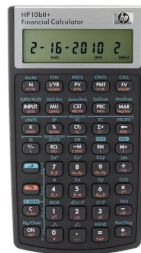
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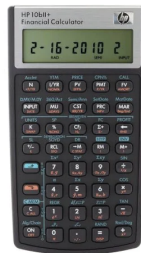
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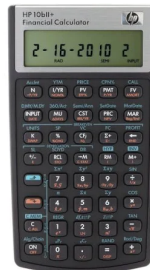
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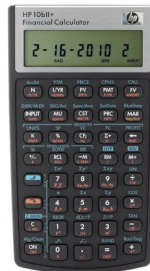
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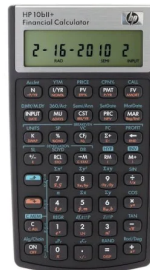
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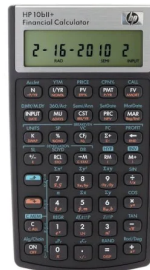
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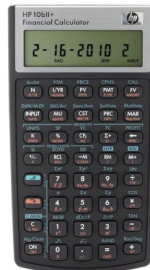
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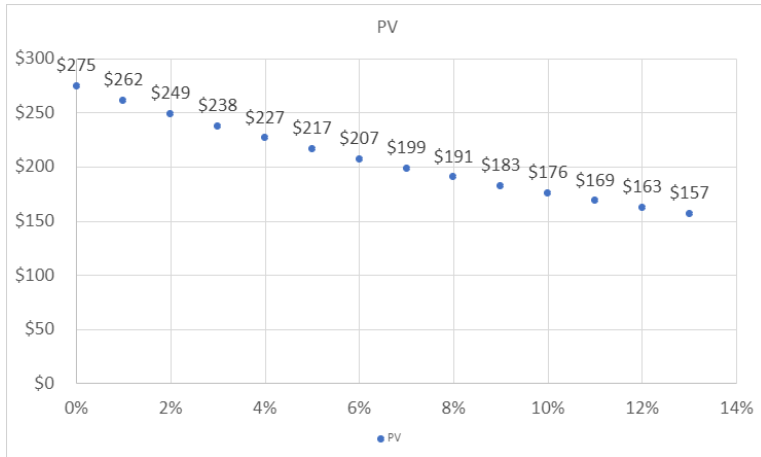
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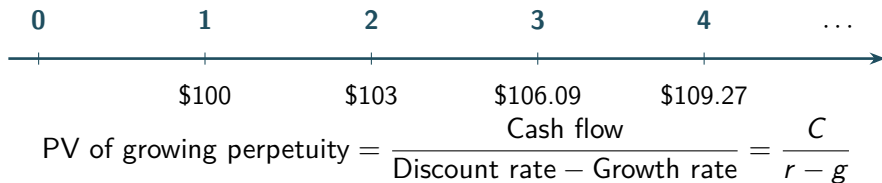
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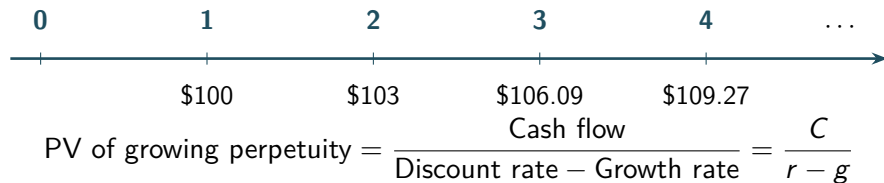
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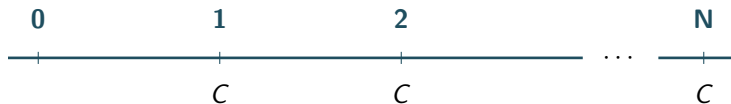


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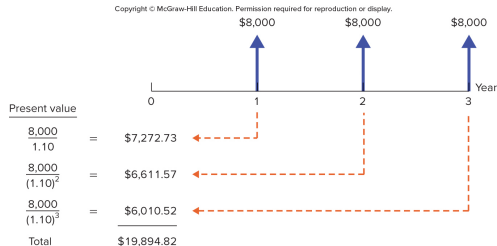
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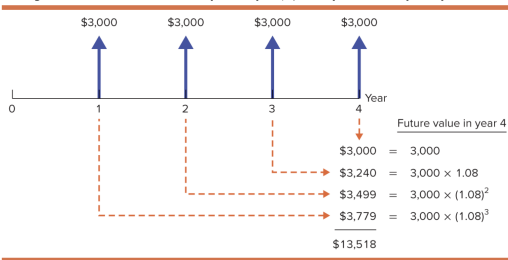
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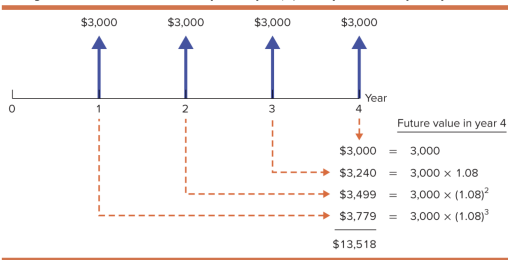
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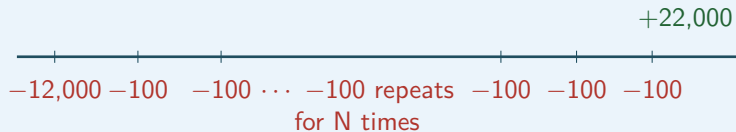
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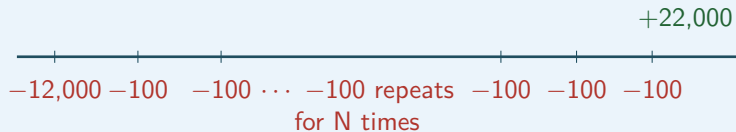
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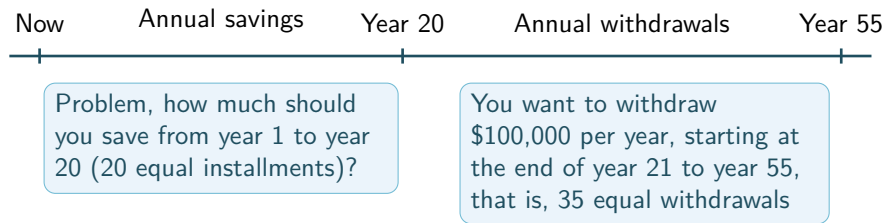
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- A couple will retire in 50 years. They plan to spend about \$20,000 a year in retirement, which should last about 25 years. They believe that they can earn a real interest rate of 9% on retirement savings
 - a. If they make annual payments into a savings plan, how much will they need to save each year? Assume the first payment comes in 1 year
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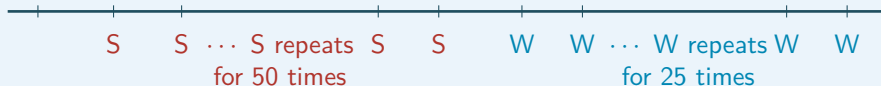
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