

- Discuss Ex 3 from pp. 3-4 of Lecture Notes #25  
 ↑ Provide detailed arguments
- Discuss Amortization Formula and 1 example on applying it from p. 4 of Lecture Notes #25.

Amortization Formula: 
$$M = P \cdot \frac{p \cdot (1+p)^N}{(1+p)^N - 1}$$

Q: Why do we have such a strange formula?

Let me actually derive it from what we already learnt (this was not done in the class and will not be needed for exams).

Step 0: You take a loan of \$P, i.e. your original balance is  $B_0 = \$P$

Step 1: After 1<sup>st</sup> month you owe  $\$P + \underbrace{p \cdot \$P}_{\text{interest due}} = \$P \cdot (1+p)$

But you also make a payment of \$M after 1<sup>st</sup> month

Hence, your balance due after 1<sup>st</sup> month is  $\$P \cdot (1+p) - \$M = B_1$

Step 2: After 2<sup>nd</sup> month you owe  $B_1 + \underbrace{p \cdot B_1}_{\text{interest due after 2<sup>nd</sup> month}}$

But you also make a payment of \$M at the end }  $\Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow$  your balance due after 2<sup>nd</sup> month is  $B_2 = B_1(1+p) - \$M$

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Step N: After N<sup>th</sup> month your balance due is  $B_N = B_{N-1}(1+p) - \$M$

So:  $B_N = B_{N-1}(1+p) - M = (B_{N-2}(1+p) - M)(1+p) - M = ((B_{N-3}(1+p) - M)(1+p) - M)(1+p) - M$

$= \dots = B_0 \cdot (1+p)^N - M - M(1+p) - M(1+p)^2 - \dots - M(1+p)^{N-1}$  etc...

Geometric Sum F.l.a:  $1 + (1+p) + (1+p)^2 + \dots + (1+p)^{N-1} = \frac{(1+p)^N - 1}{(1+p) - 1} = \frac{(1+p)^N - 1}{p}$  (1)

(Continuation)

So, we found that

$$B_N = B_0 \cdot (1+p)^N - M \cdot (1 + (1+p) + (1+p)^2 + \dots + (1+p)^{N-1})$$

$$= P \cdot (1+p)^N - M \cdot \frac{(1+p)^N - 1}{p}$$

But on the other hand, you have to pay back all the loan + interest after  $N$  months, i.e.  $B_N = 0$ .

Thus:  $0 = P \cdot (1+p)^N - M \cdot \frac{(1+p)^N - 1}{p}$

$$\Downarrow$$

$$M = P \cdot \frac{p(1+p)^N}{(1+p)^N - 1}$$

Remark: In real life, if you google "Amortization Formula", you will find many online calculators which compute  $M$  given  $P, p, N$ . But now you should know where it is coming from.