

## Discounting Cash Flows:

### Lump-Sum Payments with constant “interest rate” or “discount rate” $i$ :

FV of a payment  $C$  in  $n$  years  $FV = C(1+i)^n$

PV of a payment  $C$  to be received in  $n$  years:  $PV = C / (1+i)^n$

### Annuity with constant $i$ : PV of an annuity $C$ for $n$ years, beginning in 1 year:

The PV of such an annuity can be found using one of two methods. Each method gives the same answer.

$$PV = \frac{C}{(1+i)^1} + \frac{C}{(1+i)^2} + \dots + \frac{C}{(1+i)^n} \qquad PV = C \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{1+i}\right)^n}{i}$$

### Perpetuity with constant $i$ : PV of a perpetuity $C$ forever: $PV = C / i$

**Duration:**  $D = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n \frac{CF_t * t}{(1+i)^t}}{\sum_{t=1}^n \frac{CF_t}{(1+i)^t}}$  (textbook)  $D = \sum_{t=1}^n \left( t * \frac{PV(CF_t)}{PB} \right)$  (simpler version)

**Discount yield (e.g., T-bills):**  $y_d = \frac{Par - Price}{Par} \times \frac{360}{Days} \times 100\%$

**Duration:**  $\% \Delta P/P = -D \times \Delta i / (1+i) \times 100$