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Management
PART I 1ST SEMESTER FINAL EXAMINATION – DECEMBER 2006
FINANCIAL MATHEMATICS I [CFI 1101]
TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS 10 MINUTES

INSTRUCTIONS

1. The paper is 3 hours and 10 minutes.
2. Answer any ***FOUR*** questions.
3. Start each question on a fresh page.
4. All workings must be shown.

Question 1 [25 marks]

- 1.1 The yield on 91 day commercial paper is 24%, and the discount rate on similar risk Bankers` Acceptance with same maturity is 22%. Which security are you going to purchase? Explain. [5 marks]
- 1.2 An investor purchases a 91 day TB 20 days after issue at a rate of discount of 30% and sells it 30 days before maturity at a rate of discount of 32%.
- 1.2.1 Calculate the realized yield. [15 marks]
- 1.2.2 Distinguish between realized yield and promised yield. [5 marks]

Question 2 [25 marks]

- 2.1 You are faced with two investment options whose interest is determined as follows:
- 44% per annum compounded semi annually.
 - 43% per annum compounded monthly.
- Which investment should you choose? Explain [10 marks]
- 2.2 You invest \$20 000 today the rate of interest of 36.5% compounded daily in order harvest \$30 000 at some future date? What is your investment horizon? [15 marks]

Question 3 [25 marks]

- 3.1 Show that the present value of a growing ordinary annuity is
- $$\frac{(1+i)^n - (1+g)^n}{(i-g)(1+i)^n}$$

Where n = number of periods
 i = compound interest per period
 g = annuity growth rate [12 marks]

- 3.2 A Charity Fund is set up to pay \$10 000 at the beginning of each quarter for 5 years. How much should be invested today if interest of 24% is capitalized monthly? [13 marks]

Question 4 [25 marks]

The terms of a mortgage loan are:

- Price \$24 000 000
- 25% Deposit
- Interest 48% compounded monthly for 25 years.
- Principal and interest to be amortized by equal monthly payments.

- 4.1 Calculate the monthly payment [8 marks]
- 4.2 Calculate the Buyer's and Seller's equity at the end of 10 years [10 marks]
- 4.3 Calculate the monthly payment if at the end of 10 years the Building Society adjusts interest to 45%, compounded monthly, and if the term of the loan remains the same. [7 marks]

Question 5 [25 marks]

- 5.1 A loan of \$10 000 000, bearing 40% simple interest, to be paid half yearly, must be discharged at the end of 4 years by means of a sinking fund which earns 24% interest compounded quarterly.
- 5.1.1 Calculate the quarterly deposit into the Fund [10 marks]
- 5.1.2 Calculate the annual cost of servicing the debt. [5 marks]
- 5.2 Discuss, in brief, the attributes of a capital budgeting appraisal method whose objective is owner value maximization. [10 marks]