

## Objective of lecture.

To understand the following points

1- Uniform series of compound interest formula.

2- Uniform series sinking funds.

Solved examples.

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## 2.2 UNIFORM SERIES FORMULAS (P/A, A/P, A/F, F/A)

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There are four *uniform series* formulas that involve  $A$ , where  $A$  means that:

1. The cash flow occurs in *consecutive interest periods*, and
2. The cash flow *amount* is the *same* in each period.

The formulas relate a present worth  $P$  or a future worth  $F$  to a uniform series amount  $A$ . The two equations that relate  $P$  and  $A$  are as follows. (See Figure 2.5 for cash flow diagrams.)

$$P = A \left[ \frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i(1+i)^n} \right]$$

$$A = P \left[ \frac{i(1+i)^n}{(1+i)^n - 1} \right]$$

A: Uniform Series

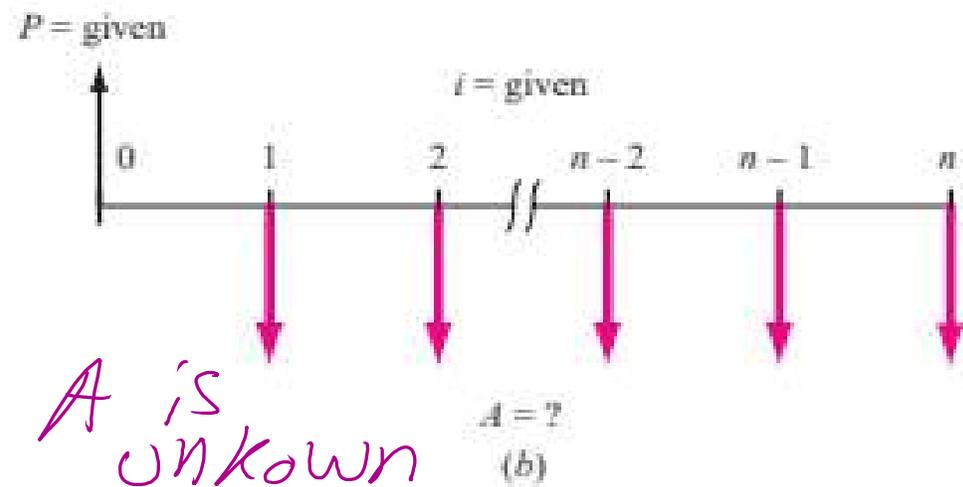
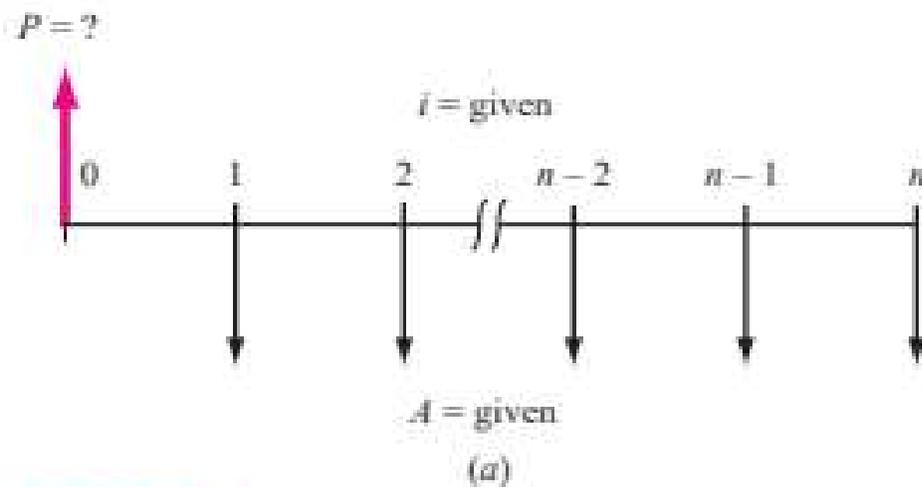
First  $A$  is separated from  $P$  by one interest period

In standard factor notation, the equations are  $P = A(P/A, i, n)$  and  $A = P(A/P, i, n)$ , respectively. It is important to remember that in these equations, the  $P$  and the first  $A$  value are separated by one interest period. That is, the present worth  $P$  is always located one interest period prior to the first  $A$  value. It is also important to remember that the  $n$  is always equal to the number of  $A$  values.

The factors and their use to find  $P$  and  $A$  are summarized in Table 2.2. The spreadsheet functions shown in Table 2.2 are capable of determining both

$P$  is Unknown

Relation between  $P$  &  $A$



$A$  is unknown

**FIGURE 2.5** Cash flow diagrams used to determine (a)  $P$  of a uniform series and (b)  $A$  for a present worth.

**TABLE 2.2 P/A and A/P Factors: Notation, Equation and Spreadsheet Function**

Factor		Find/Given	Factor Formula	Standard Notation Equation	Excel Function
Notation	Name				
$(P/A, i, n)$	Uniform-series present worth	$P/A$	$\frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i(1+i)^n}$	$P = A(P/A, i, n)$	$= PV(i\%, n, A, F)$
$(A/P, i, n)$	Capital recovery	$A/P$	$\frac{i(1+i)^n}{(1+i)^n - 1}$	$A = P(A/P, i, n)$	$= PMT(i\%, n, P, F)$

## Excel Functions

$P$  and  $A$  values in lieu of applying the  $P/A$  and  $A/P$  factors. The PV function calculates the  $P$  value for a given  $A$  over  $n$  years, and a separate  $F$  value in year  $n$ , if present. The format is

To get Present value =  $PV(i\%, n, A, F)$

Similarly, the  $A$  value is determined using the PMT function for a given  $P$  value in year 0 and a separate  $F$ , if present. The format is

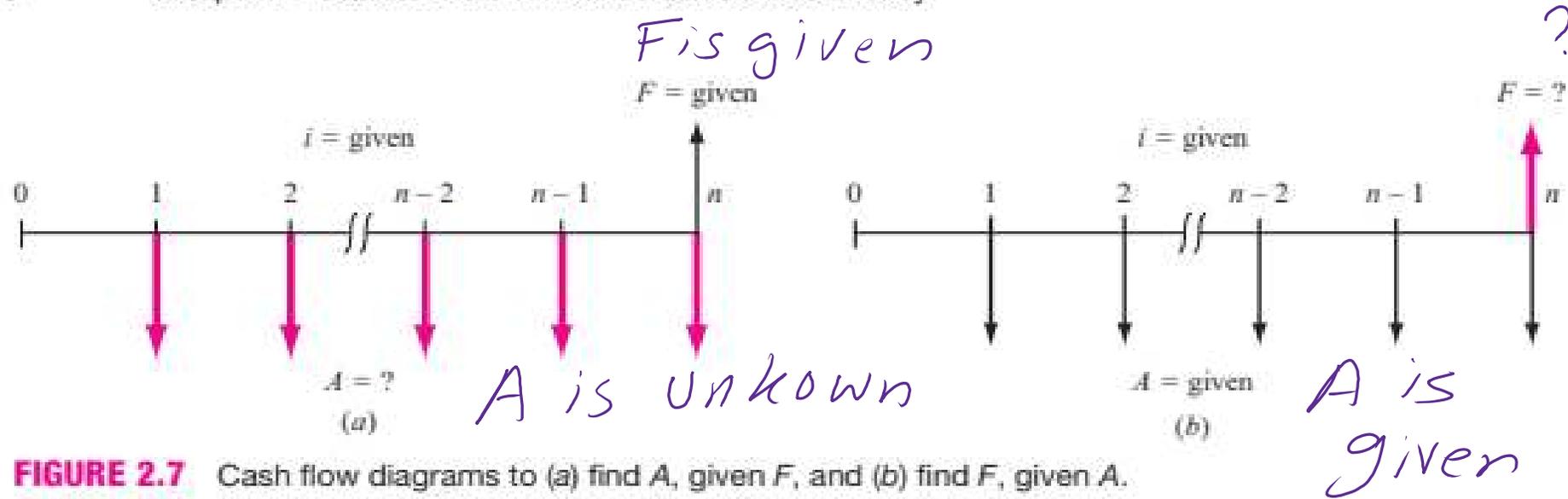
To get A value =  $PMT(i\%, n, P, F)$   
 $F$  Future value  $n$

$i\%$  interest  
 $n$  number of periods  
 Present value

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**FIGURE 2.7** Cash flow diagrams to (a) find A, given F, and (b) find F, given A.

**TABLE 2.3** F/A and A/F Factors: Notation, Equation and Spreadsheet Function

Factor		Find/Given	Factor Formula	Standard Notation Equation	Excel Function
Notation	Name				
$(F/A, i, n)$	Uniform-series compound amount	$F/A$	$\frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i}$	$F = A(F/A, i, n)$	$= FV(i\%, n, A, P)$
$(A/F, i, n)$	Sinking fund	$A/F$	$\frac{i}{(1+i)^n - 1}$	$A = F(A/F, i, n)$	$= PMT(i\%, n, P, F)$

Last A value occurs in the same time period as the future worth F

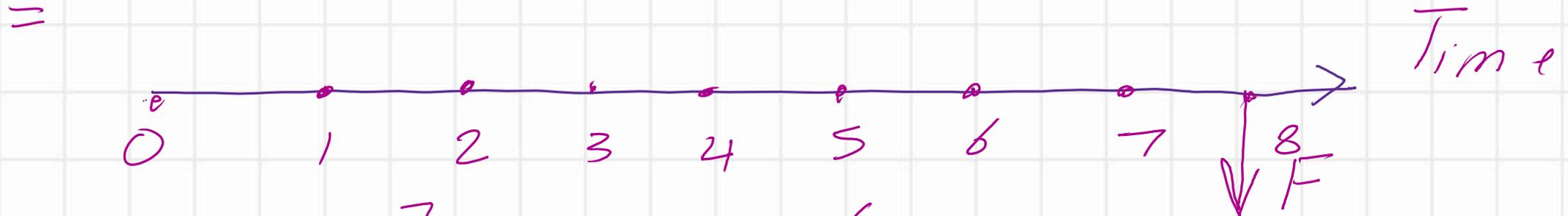
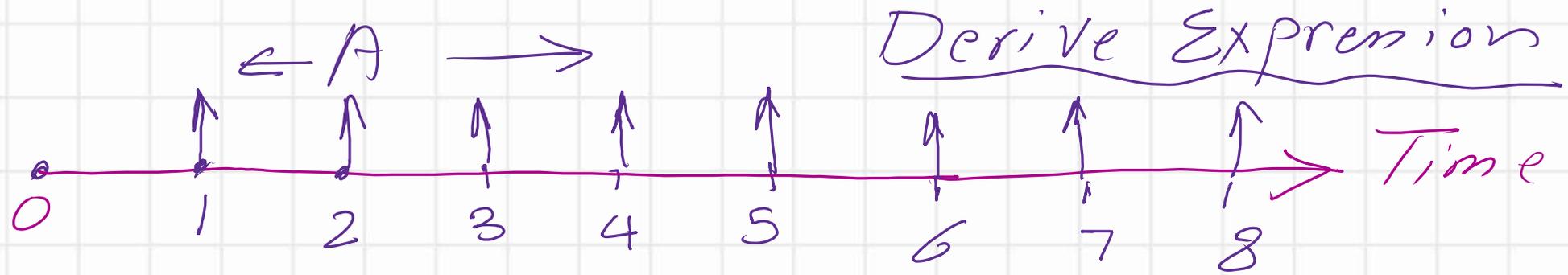
The uniform series formulas that relate  $A$  and  $F$  follow. See Figure 2.7 for cash flow diagrams.

$$A = F \left[ \frac{i}{(1+i)^n - 1} \right] \Rightarrow \text{Find } A \rightarrow \text{given } i\% \\ F \ \& \ n$$
$$F = A \left[ \frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i} \right] \Rightarrow \text{Find } F \rightarrow \text{given } i\% \\ n \\ A$$

It is important to remember that these equations are derived such that the last  $A$  value occurs in the *same* time period as the future worth  $F$ , and  $n$  is always equal to the number of  $A$  values.

Standard notation follows the same form as that of other factors. They are  $(F/A, i, n)$  and  $(A/F, i, n)$ . Table 2.3 summarizes the notations and equations.

If  $P$  is not present for the PMT function, the comma must be entered to indicate that the last entry is an  $F$  value.



$$F = A(1+i)^7 + A(1+i)^6 + A(1+i)^5 + A(1+i)^4 + A(1+i)^3 + A(1+i)^2 + A(1+i)^1 + A$$

Multiply by  $(1+i)$

$$F(1+i) = A \left[ (1+i)^8 + (1+i)^7 + (1+i)^6 + (1+i)^5 + (1+i)^4 + (1+i)^3 + (1+i)^2 + (1+i) \right]$$

Deduct  $F$  from  $F(1+i)$

$$F + Fi - F = Fi = L.H.S$$

$$A(1+i)^8 - A = R.H.S$$

$$Fi = A(1+i)^n - A \quad \text{put } n=8$$

$$Fi = A[(1+i)^n - 1] \Rightarrow F = \frac{A}{i} [(1+i)^n - 1]$$

$$F = A \left[ \frac{F}{A}, i\%, n \right]$$

$$A = F \left[ \frac{A}{F}, i\%, n \right]$$

$$A = \frac{Fi}{[(1+i)^n - 1]} \Rightarrow \text{Sinking Fund}$$

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$(A/F, i, n)$	Sinking fund	$A/F$	$\frac{i}{(1+i)^n - 1}$	$A = F(A/F, i, n)$	$= PMT(i\%, n, P, F)$

We can derive the relation between  
P & A

$$\text{Since } F = P(1+i)^n$$

$$\text{while } F = A \frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i} = P(1+i)^n$$

$$A = \frac{P(1+i)^n i}{(1+i)^n - 1}$$

$$A = P \left( \frac{A}{P}, i\%, n \right)$$

$$P = A \left( \frac{P}{A}, i\%, n \right)$$