

- a) Jessica takes out a loan of \$200 000 to buy an apartment. The interest rate is 4% and is calculated at the end of each year. Calculate to the nearest dollar the amount Jessica would owe the bank after 15 years.
- b) In order to pay of the loan, she pays \$ P into a bank at the end of **each** year. She receives an interest rate of 2.5% per year. Find the amount saved after 15 years.
- c) What must be the value of P so that she has saved enough money to pay off the loan.

a)

After 1 year she owes

$$200\,000 \times 1.04$$

After 2 years she owes

$$(200\,000 \times 1.04) \times 1.04$$

...

After 15 years she owes

$$200\,000 \times 1.04^{15}$$

$$=\$360\,189$$

b)

After 1 year she saves

$$P$$

After 2 years she saves

$$P \times 1.025 + P$$

After 3 years she saves

$$(P \times 1.025 + P) \times 1.025 + P$$

$$=1.025P^2 + 1.025P + P$$

...

After 15 years she saves

$$=1.025P^{14} + 1.025P^{13} + \dots + 1.025P + P$$

$$=P + 1.025P^2 + \dots + 1.025P^{14}$$

This is a geometric series, let's turn it around

$$U_1 = P$$

$$r = 1.025$$

$$n = 15$$

Find S_{15}

$$S_n = \frac{U_n(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$$

$$S_{15} = \frac{P(1.025^{15} - 1)}{1.025 - 1}$$

$$S_{15} = \frac{P(1.025^{15} - 1)}{0.025}$$

c)

In order to pay of the loan
Amount of savings = Amount of loan

$$S_{15} = \$360\,189$$

$$\frac{P(1.025^{15}-1)}{0.025} = 360\,189$$

$$P(1.025^{15} - 1) = 360\,189 \times 0.025$$

$$P = \frac{360\,189 \times 0.025}{1.025^{15} - 1}$$

$$P = \$20\,086$$