

Example 6.

Calculate the compound interest for a \$1000 investment under the following conditions:

Interest rate: 2.5%

Investment Period: 5 years

Compounding: Continuous

Solution.

For continuous compounding use this formula. P is the principal, r is the interest rate, and t is the investment period.

$$P = \$1000$$

$$r = 0.025$$

$$t = 5$$

$$A = P \cdot e^{rt}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= 1000 \cdot e^{0.025 \cdot 5} \\ &= 1133.15 \end{aligned}$$