# Engineering Economy [6] Annual Worth Analysis

#### Advantages of the Annual Worth Analysis

- Eliminates the LCM problem
- Only you evaluate one life cycle of a project
- The result is reported in terms of \$/period
- Therefore, if two or more alternatives possess unequal lives then one need only evaluate the AW for any given cycle

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**6-year project** 

9-year project

Find the AW of any 6 – year cycle

Find the AW of any 9 – year cycle

And then compare the  $AW_6/yr$  to  $AW_9/yr$ 

# Example [1]

- Consider a project with a \$3,000 annual operating cost and a \$5,000 investment required each 5 years. Assume i = 10%
- For <u>one</u> cycle:
  AW = 3,000 + 5,000(A/P,10%,5) = \$4,319/yr

For two cycles:



AW = 3,000 + 5,000(A/P,10%,10) + 5,000(P/F,10%,5)(A/P,10%,10) = \$4,319/yr



### Capital Recovery and AW Values

 Capital recovery (CR) is the equivalent <u>annual</u> cost of <u>owning the asset</u> plus <u>the return on the initial investment</u>

• CR = -P(A/P,i,5) + S(A/F,i,5)



### Capital Recovery and AW Values

- Initial investment (P): this is the total first cost required to initiate the alternative. When portions of these investments take place over several years, their present worth is an equivalent initial investment
- <u>Salvage value (S)</u>: this is the estimated value of assets at the end of their useful life
- If we have annual costs (A) of the alternatives then the annual worth (AW) value for an alternative is comprised of two components: *capital recovery* for the initial investment P (plus the return on the initial investment) and the *equivalent* annual amount A

#### Capital Recovery and AW Values



# Example [2]

- An equipment is expected to require an investment of \$13 million with \$8 million <u>committed now</u> and the remaining \$5 million <u>will be paid</u> at the end of year 1 of the project
- Annual operating costs for the system are expected to start the first year and continue at \$0.9 million per year
- The useful life is 8 years with a salvage value of \$0.5 million
- Compute the AW value for the system if MARR is 12%

# Example [2]

- $CR = -\{[8 + 5(P/F, 12\%, 1)](A/P, 12\%, 8)\} + 0.5(A/F, 12\%, 8)$ 
  - = -(12.46)(0.2013) + 0.04
  - = \$ -2.47 (in millions/year)
- The \$ -2.47 indicates that each and every year for 8 years we have to have a revenue of at least \$2,470,000 just to recover the initial worth investment plus the required return of 12% per year
- This does not include the \$0.9 million each year
- Total AW = -2.47 0.9 = \$ -3.37 million per year

# Evaluating Alternatives by Annual Worth Analysis – Example [3]

Two pumps are being considered for purchase. If interest is 7%, which pump should be bought?

Pump	Α	В
Initial cost	\$7 <i>,</i> 000	\$5 <i>,</i> 000
Salvage value	\$1,500	\$1,000
Useful life, years	12	6

AW<sub>A</sub> = \$-7,000(A/P,7%,12) + \$1,500(A/F,7%,12)

 $AW_{R} = \$-5,000(A/P,7\%,6) + \$1,000(A/F,7\%,6)$ 

AW₄ = \$-797 AW<sub>R</sub> = \$-909



# Evaluating Alternatives by Annual Worth Analysis – Example [4]

- Three plans are considered for an engineering design problem:
- <u>Plan A</u>: purchase an equipment at \$650,000 with a 10 year lifetime and a \$17,000 salvage value. Equipment annual operating cost is \$50,000 while the annual cost of a control program is \$120,000
- <u>Plan B</u>: Initial cost is \$4 million, annual maintenance cost is \$5,000, repairs occurs <u>every 5 years</u> at \$30,000. However, this plan provides a <u>permanent</u> solution
- <u>Plan C</u>: Initial cost is \$ 6 million and the annual maintenance cost is \$3,000 with a lifetime of 50 years
- Assume i = 5%

# Evaluating Alternatives by Annual Worth Analysis – Example [4]

- We need to compute <u>AW</u> for each plan for one cycle
- Plan A:

CR<sub>A</sub> = -650,000(A/P,5%,10) + 17,000(A/F,5%,10) = \$-82,824

A1 = -50,000 and A2 = -120,000

 $AW_A = -82,824 + (-50,000) + (-120,000) = \$ -252,824$ 

Plan B:

 $CR_{B} = -4,000,000 \times 5\% = \$ -200,000$ A = \$ -5,000 CR\_{B} = CC × i

Repair cost = -30,000(A/F,5%,5) = \$-5,429

 $AW_{B} = -200,000 + (-5,000) + (-5,429) = \$ -210,429$ 

#### Plan C:

A = \$ -3,000

 $AW_{C} = -328,680 + (-3,000) = \$ -331,680$ 

Plan B is selected due to the lowest AW of costs