

Ex Can you buy a house?

San Diego:

- \$750,000 loan ← \$850K (house) - \$100K (down-payment)
- 30 years (360 months)
- 6% interest/year (actually .5%/month) ← .005 as a decimal

actually slightly higher!

Divided into 360 monthly payments of \$m each.

- Find m
 - How much do you pay total over 30 years?
- Take a guess - write it down!

write $P = 750,000$ ("principal")

Amount owed initially

$$= P$$

Amt owed after 1 month

$$= (1.005)P - m$$

P grows to $(1.005)P$ in 1 mo

pay off this much at the end of the month

after 2 months

$$= (1.005) \left[(1.005)P - m \right] - m$$

$$= (1.005)^2 P - (1.005)m - m$$

after 3 months

$$= (1.005) \left[(1.005)^2 P - (1.005)m - m \right] - m$$

$$= (1.005)^3 P - (1.005)^2 m - (1.005)m - m$$

⋮

after n months

$$= (1.005)^n P - (1.005)^{n-1} m - \dots - (1.005)m - m$$

$$= (1.005)^n P - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (1.005)^k m$$

partial sum S_{n-1} of geom series with $r=1.005$
 $a=m$

Recall

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

$$= (1.005)^n P - \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

$$= (1.005)^n P - \frac{m(1-(1.005)^n)}{1-1.005}$$

Amount owed = 0 after 30y (360 mo)
 (It's a 30-year mortgage)

$$0 = (1.005)^{360} P - \frac{m(1-(1.005)^{360})}{1-1.005}$$

Solve for m:

$$m = \frac{1-1.005}{1-(1.005)^{360}} (1.005)^{360} P$$

calculator
 (remember:
 $P = 750,000$)

$$\approx \boxed{\$4,497}$$

← monthly payment

total # of payments

Total amount paid
 for mortgage

$$\approx \$4500/\text{mo} \cdot \boxed{360 \text{ mo}}$$

$$= \boxed{\$1,619,000}$$

(more than double the principal!)