This analysis investigates the **stochastic IRR problem** (shown to the right) where $A_0, A_1, ..., A_n$ are cash flows (random variables) derived in this analysis from known exponential distributions. The goal is to develop the probability density function (pdf) and cummulative distribution function (cdf) for the internal rate of return (i) for this investment. A **deterministic** example of IRR is shown below.



Only the simples	st form of this	s problem will be considered where:	$0 = A_0 + \frac{A_1}{1+i}$	(where i is the interest rate)
The PDF, CDF ar	nd mean for tw	o cases of this basic problem are determined	I.	Example
Page 3	<u>Case 1</u> - A ₀ is a constant (fixed initial investment) and A ₁ variable derived from an exponential distribution with a ki		is a random now mean.	$0 = -1000 + \frac{A_1}{1 + i}$
Page 9	<u>Case 2</u> - A ₀ and A ₁ are both random variables. Two examples are considered:			$0 = A_0 + \frac{A_1}{1+i}$
	Page 14	Example 1 - both random variables distribus same means.	itions are derived from	n exponential distributions having the
	Page 21 Example 2 - random variables are derived from exponential distributions with differing means.		ibutions with differing means.	
See the pa as a functi	ge 27 for on of the	a summary of the equations fo interest rate (i).	or resulting dist	tribution PDFs, CDFs, and means

<u>Case 1</u> - A_0 is a constant For the problem: $0 = A_0 + \frac{A_1}{1 + \frac{1}{2}}$ Can y = 1 + i? Letting y = 1 + i, $A_0 = k$, $A_1 = x$, where k is a Yes if the relationship is $0 = k + \frac{x}{y}$ or $y = \frac{-x}{k}$ multiplied by or is added to by constant, x and y are RVs, the problem becomes: a constant... See Shooman's text, page 394, #1 and #2. Determine the probability density function (PDF) for the random variable y To get f(i), see transformations $y = \frac{-x}{x}$ given that x is derived from an exponential distribution. at end of this Case 1 analysis. Using the fundamental theorem (From A. Papoulis text, page 95, Probability, Random Variables, and Stochastic Processes, 1984, ISBN 0-07-048468-6): Given a probability density function $f_x(\mathbf{x})$, to find $f_y(\mathbf{y})$ for a specific y, we solve the equation y = g(x), $y = g(x_1) = \dots = g(x_n)$ where g(x) denotes the relationship between the random variables. Denoting it's real roots by x_n Letting $g'(x) = \frac{d}{dx}g(x)$ $f_y(y) = \frac{f_x(x_1)}{|g'(x_1)|} + \frac{f_x(x_2)}{|g'(x_2)|} + \dots + \frac{f_x(x_n)}{|g'(x_n)|}$ Determine y, given x and y are related random variables (with x derived from some distribution and k is a constant). $y = \frac{-x}{k}$ (remembering for our IRR problem y = 1 + i) For Case 1 $g(x) = \frac{-x}{k} \qquad \qquad \frac{d}{dx}g(x) = \frac{-1}{k} \qquad \text{or} \qquad g'(x) = \frac{-1}{k} \qquad \qquad \left|g'(x)\right| = \left|\frac{1}{k}\right|$ thus or $x = -k \cdot y$







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0.5

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0

Interest Rate

greater than 20%.

i := 0.20	<u>Probabilit</u> y		
Company A	$1 - F_1(i) = 0.301$		
Company B	$1 - F_2(i) = 0.449$		

Company B appears to be the better choice to invest in! Of course, we knew that since it had a greater mean.

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-0.5























thus

f(-1) = 0















