

VALUING BONDS

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Topics Covered

- Using The Present Value Formula to Value Bonds
- How Bond Prices Vary With Interest Rates
- The Term Structure of Interest Rates
- Explaining the Term Structure
- Real and Nominal Rates of Interest
- The Risk of Default

Bonds

Terminology

- **Bond** - Security that obligates the issuer to make specified payments to the bondholder.
- **Face value** (par value or principal value) - Payment at the maturity of the bond.
- **Coupon** - The interest payments made to the bondholder.
- **Coupon rate** - Annual interest payment, as a percentage of face value.

Bonds

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WARNING

The **coupon rate IS NOT the discount rate used in the present value calculations.**

- The coupon rate merely tells us what cash flow the bond will produce
- Since the coupon rate is listed as a %, this misconception is quite common

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The price of a bond is the present value of all cash flows generated by the bond (i.e. coupons and face value) discounted at the required rate of return

$$PV = \frac{cpn}{(1+r)^1} + \frac{cpn}{(1+r)^2} + \dots + \frac{(cpn + par)}{(1+r)^t}$$

Note: "cpn" is commonly used as an abbreviation for "coupon"

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Example - France

In October 2014 you purchase 100 euros of bonds in France which pay a 4.25% coupon every year. If the bond matures in 2018 and the YTM is 0.15%, what is the value of the bond?

$$PV = \frac{4.25}{1.0015} + \frac{4.25}{(1.0015)^2} + \frac{4.25}{(1.0015)^3} + \frac{104.25}{(1.0015)^4}$$

= 116.34 euros

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Valuing a Bond as an Annuity

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PV(bond) = PV(annuity of coupons) + PV(principal)

$$PV(\text{bond}) = (\text{cpn} \times PVAF) + (\text{final payment} \times \text{discount factor})$$

$$= 4.25 \times \left[\frac{1}{.0015} - \frac{1}{.0015(1+.0015)^4} \right] + \frac{100}{(1+.0015)^4}$$

$$= 116.34$$

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Example

If today is October 1, 2015, what is the value of the following bond? An IBM Bond pays \$115 every September 30 for 5 years. In September 2020 it pays an additional \$1000 and retires the bond. The bond is rated AAA (WSJ AAA YTM is 7.5%)

$$PV = \frac{115}{1.075} + \frac{115}{(1.075)^2} + \frac{115}{(1.075)^3} + \frac{115}{(1.075)^4} + \frac{1,115}{(1.075)^5}$$

$$= \$1,161.84$$

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Example

What is the price of a 7.25 % annual coupon bond, with a \$1,000 face value, which matures in 3 years? Assume a required return of 0.35%.

$$PV = \frac{72.50}{(1.0035)^1} + \frac{72.50}{(1.0035)^2} + \frac{1,072.50}{(1.0035)^3}$$

$$PV = \$1,205.56$$

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Example (continued)

What is the price of a 7.25 % annual coupon bond, with a \$1,000 face value, which matures in 3 years? Assume a required return of 0.35%.

Bond prices are quoted as a percentage of par.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Par value} \times \text{price \%} &= \$ \text{ price} \\ \$1,000 \times \text{price \%} &= \$1,205.56 \\ \text{price \%} &= 120.56 \% \end{aligned}$$

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Q: How did the calculation change, given semi-annual coupons versus annual coupon payments?

Twice as many payments, cut in half, over the same time period.

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Example - USA

In November 2014 you purchase a 3 year US Government bond. The bond has an annual coupon rate of 4.25%, paid semi-annually. If investors demand a 0.965% semiannual return, what is the price of the bond?

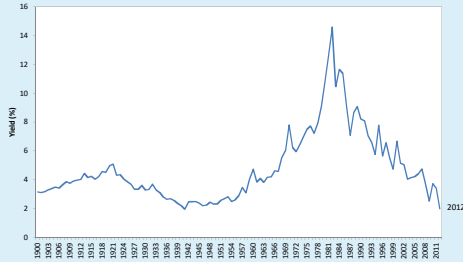
$$\begin{aligned} PV &= \frac{21.25}{1.004825} + \frac{21.25}{(1.004825)^2} + \frac{21.25}{(1.004825)^3} + \frac{21.25}{(1.004825)^4} + \frac{21.25}{(1.004825)^5} + \frac{1021.25}{(1.004825)^6} \\ &= \$1,096.90 \end{aligned}$$

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Treasury Yields

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The interest rate on 10-year U.S. Treasury bonds
1900-2012



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Bond Rates of Return

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Rate of Return – Total income per period per dollar invested

$$\text{Rate of return} = \frac{\text{total income}}{\text{investment}}$$

$$\text{Rate of return} = \frac{\text{coupon income} + \text{price change}}{\text{investment}}$$

Bond Rates of Return

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Example

A bond increases in price from \$963.80 to \$1,380.50 and pays a coupon of \$21.875 during the same period. What is the rate of return?

$$\text{Rate of return} = \frac{21.875 + (1380.50 - 963.80)}{963.80} = .455$$

$$\text{ROR} = 45.5\%$$

Duration Formula

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$$\text{Duration} = \frac{1 \times PV(C_1)}{PV} + \frac{2 \times PV(C_2)}{PV} + \frac{3 \times PV(C_3)}{PV} + \dots + \frac{T \times PV(C_T)}{PV}$$

$$\text{Modified duration} = \text{volatility (\%)} = \frac{\text{duration}}{1 + \text{yield}}$$

Duration Calculation

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	Year (t)							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Payment	\$90	\$90	\$90	\$90	\$90	\$90	\$ 1,000	
PV(C _t) at 4%	\$86.54	\$82.21	\$80.01	\$76.93	\$73.97	\$71.13	\$ 828.31	PV = \$1,300.10
Fraction of total value [PV(C _t)/PV]	0.0666	0.0640	0.0615	0.0592	0.0569	0.0547	0.6371	
Year × fraction of total value [t × PV(C _t)/PV]	0.0666	0.1280	0.1846	0.2367	0.2845	0.3283	4.4598	Total = duration = 5.69

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Duration Calculation

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Year	C _t	PV(C _t) at 5.0%	Proportion of Total Value [PV(C _t)/V]	Proportion of Total Value Time
1	100	95.24	0.084	0.084
2	100	90.7	0.08	0.16
3	1100	950.22	0.836	2.509
		V = 1136.16	1	Duration = 2.753 years

Duration

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Example

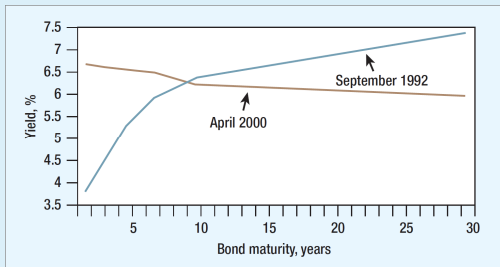
Calculate the duration of our 6 7/8% bond @ 4.9% YTM

Year	CF	PV@YTM	% of Total PV	% × Year
1	68.75	65.54	.060	0.060
2	68.75	62.48	.058	0.115
3	68.75	59.56	.055	0.165
4	68.75	56.78	.052	0.209
5	1068.75	841.39	.775	3.875
		1085.74	1.00	Duration 4.424

Interest Rates

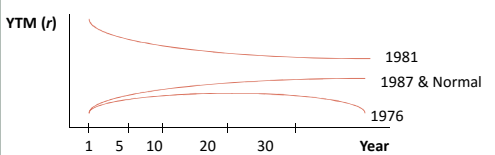
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- Short- and long-term interest rates do not always move in parallel. Between September 1992 and April 2000, U.S. short-term rates rose sharply while long term rates declined.



Term Structure of Interest Rates

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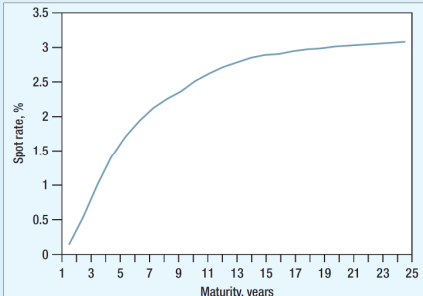


- Spot Rate - The actual interest rate today ($t = 0$)
- Forward Rate - The interest rate, fixed today, on a loan made in the future at a fixed time
- Future Rate - The spot rate that is expected in the future
- Yield To Maturity (YTM) - The IRR on an interest bearing instrument

Yield Curve

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U.S. Treasury Strip Spot Rates as of November 2014



Law of One Price

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- All interest bearing instruments are priced to fit the term structure
- This is accomplished by modifying the asset price
- The modified price creates a new yield, which fits the term structure
- The new yield is called the yield to maturity (YTM)

Yield to Maturity

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Example

\$1,000 Treasury bond expires in 5 years. Pays coupon rate of 10.5%. What is YTM if market price is 107.88?

C_0	C_1	C_2	C_3	C_4	C_5
-1078.80	105	105	105	105	1105

Calculate IRR = 8.5%

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Explaining the Term Structure

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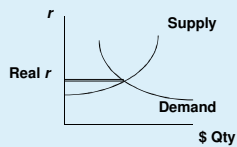
Expectations Theory

- o Term structure and capital budgeting
 - ✓ CF should be discounted using term structure info
 - ✓ When rate incorporates all forward rates, use spot rate that equals project term
 - ✓ Take advantage of arbitrage

Debt & Interest Rates

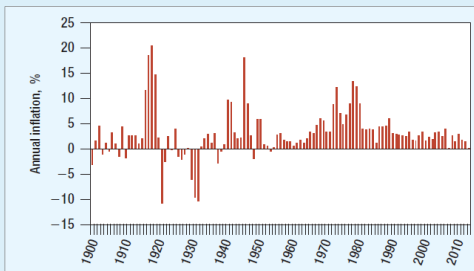
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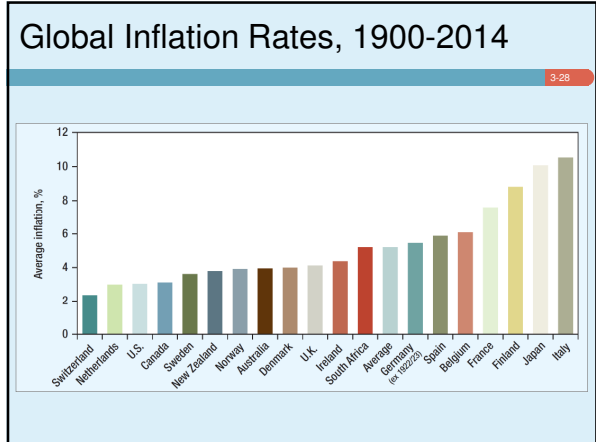
- Classical Theory of Interest Rates (Economics)
 - o Developed by Irving Fisher
- Nominal Interest Rate = The rate you actually pay when you borrow money
- Real Interest Rate = The theoretical rate you pay when you borrow money, as determined by supply and demand



Annual U.S. Inflation Rates, 1900-2014

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Interest Rates & Inflation

- In the presence of inflation, an investor's **real** interest rate is always less than the **nominal** interest rate

$$1 + \text{real rate} = \frac{1 + \text{nominal rate}}{1 + \text{inflation rate}}$$

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Interest Rates & Inflation

Example

If you invest in a security that pays 10% interest annually and inflation is 6%, what is your real interest rate?

$$1 + \text{real rate} = \frac{1.10}{1.06}$$

Real interest rate = .03774 or 3.774%

Interest Rates & Inflation

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Treasury Inflation Protected Securities (TIPS)

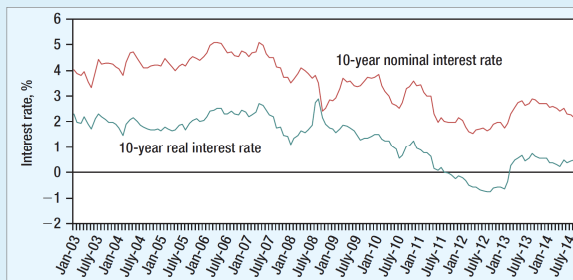
Example

If you invest in 5% coupon, 3 year TIPS and inflation is 3% each year, what are your **real** annual cash flows?

Year	1	2	3
Real cash flows	\$50	\$50	\$1,050

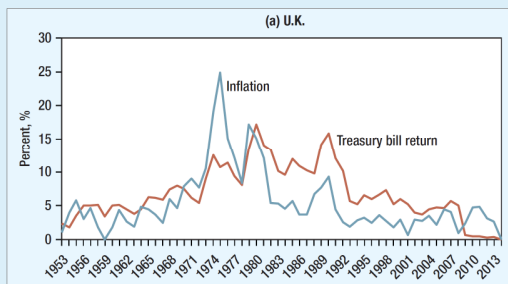
U.S. TIPS Bond Yields

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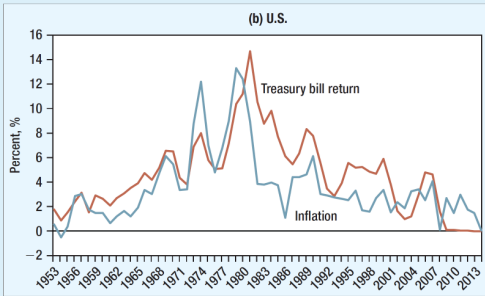
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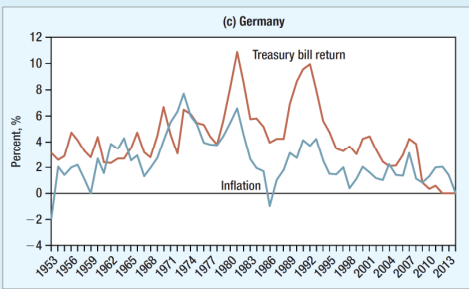
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Govt. Bills vs. Inflation, 1953-2014

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Default Risk

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- Default or Credit Risk - The risk that a bond issuer may default on its bonds
- Default premium - The additional yield on a bond that investors require for bearing credit risk
- Investment grade - Bonds rated Baa or above by Moody's or BBB or above by Standard & Poor's
- Junk bonds - Bond with a rating below Baa or BBB

Default Risk

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Moody's	Standard & Poor's	Safety
Aaa	AAA	The strongest rating; ability to repay interest and principal is very strong.
Aa	AA	Very strong likelihood that interest and principal will be repaid
A	A	Strong ability to repay, but some vulnerability to changes in circumstances
Baa	BBB	Adequate capacity to repay; more vulnerability to changes in economic circumstances
Ba	BB	Considerable uncertainty about ability to repay.
B	B	Likelihood of interest and principal payments over sustained periods is questionable.
Caa	CCC	Bonds in the Caa/CCC and Ca/CC classes may already be in default or in danger of imminent default
Ca	CC	
C	C	C-rated bonds offer little prospect for interest or principal on the debt ever to be repaid.

Prices and Yields of Corporate Bonds

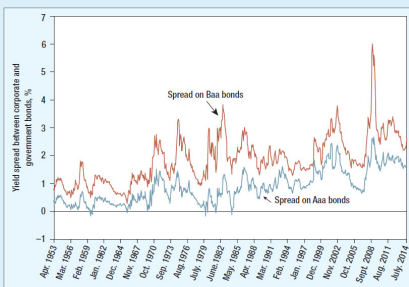
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Issuer Name	Coupon (%)	Maturity	S&P Rating	Price (%)	Yield (%)
Johnson & Johnson	3.55	2021	AAA	108.35	2.16
Walmart	4.25	2021	AA	110.44	2.48
Alabama Power	3.95	2021	A	105.84	2.97
Dow Chemical	8.85	2021	BBB	132.39	3.49
Rosetta Restaurants	5.625	2021	BB	97.00	6.20
Elizabeth Arden	7.375	2021	B	96.25	8.14
Alpha Natural Resources	6.25	2021	CCC	50.20	20.37

Yield Spread

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Yield Spreads between Corporate and 10-year Treasury Bonds



Sovereign Bonds and Default Risk

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- Sovereign Bonds and Default Risk
 - Foreign currency debt
 - ✓ Default occurs when foreign government borrows dollars
 - ✓ If crisis occurs, governments may run out of taxing capacity and default
 - ✓ Affects bond prices, yield to maturity

Sovereign Bonds and Default Risk

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- Sovereign Bonds and Default Risk
 - Own currency debt
 - ✓ Less risky than foreign currency debt
 - ✓ Governments can print money to repay bonds

Sovereign Bonds and Default Risk

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- Sovereign Bonds and Default Risk
 - Eurozone debt
 - ✓ Can't print money to service domestic debts
 - ✓ Money supply controlled by European Central Bank
