Design Document: Callable and Non-Callable Bond Analytics Scripts

This document serves as a comprehensive design guide for the development of Python scripts to calculate key risk and return metrics for callable and non-callable fixed rate bonds using the QuantLib library. It merges architectural, workflow, data structure, extensibility, and diagrammatic details, providing a blueprint for robust and maintainable implementation.

1. Overview

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The codebase consists of two Python scripts—callable_bond_metrics.py and non_callable_bond_metrics.py—with a modular, object-oriented design to calculate Yield to Maturity (YTM), Yield to Worst (YTW), durations, and convexities for fixed-rate bonds. A shared utility module is recommended for common tasks to maximize code reuse and extensibility.

2. High-level Architecture

The system is organized in three primary layers for each script:

- Parameter Definition Section: User-specified bond and market parameters, currently hardcoded for clarity.
- Helper Functions/Classes: Encapsulate calculations for yield, durations, convexity, etc.
- Main Computation Flow: Orchestrates QuantLib object construction, metric calculations, and outputs results.
- Error Handling: Ensures safe failover and clarity in exceptional circumstances.

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| Main Script |

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| Parameter/Input Section |

| Helper Functions/Classes | |

| Main Computation Flow | |

3. Module, Class, and File Design

3.1 Core Classes and Utilities

Class Diagram (UML Style):

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          BondMetricsCalculator (abstract)
 - evaluation_date: date
| - calendar: Calendar
| - business_convention: BusinessDayConvention
| - settlement_days: int
| - face_amount: float
| - coupon_rate: float
| - frequency: Frequency
| - issue_date: date
| - maturity_date: date
| - flat_market_rate: float
| + calculate_durations()
| + calculate_convexity()
+ calculate_effective_duration_convexity()
| NonCallableBondCalculator | CallableBondCalculator
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3.2 Utility Functions Module

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(Shared by both scripts for DRY code.)
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3.3 File Structure

```
/project-root/
  callable_bond_metrics.py
  non_callable_bond_metrics.py
  bond_metrics_utils.py
  requirements.txt
  README.md
  docs/
    functional_requirements.md
```

4. Data Model & Core Components

4.1 Input Parameters

At the top of each script:

- Market: evaluation_date, calendar, business_convention, settlement_days, flat_market_rate
- Bond: face_amount, coupon_rate, frequency, issue_date, maturity_date
- Callable Only: call_schedule (dates and call prices)

Types are standard Python (dates, floats) and QuantLib enums/constants.

4.2 QuantLib Object Construction

- Schedule: QuantLib Schedule for cashflow timings.
- Bonds: FixedRateBond (non-callable) or CallableFixedRateBond (with CallabilitySchedule).
- Discount Curve: FlatForward built from specified rate.
- Pricing Engine: DiscountingBondEngine for present value calculations.

4.3 Calculation Helpers

Encapsulate metric calculation logic as standalone functions or methods, e.g.:

- calculate ytm(bond, price)
- calculate duration(bond, yield, type)
- calculate convexity(bond, yield)
- calculate effective duration convexity(bond, yield, shift)
- (Callable) calculate_yields_to_call(bond, call_schedule, price), get ytw and metrics(...)

5. Main Workflow Logic

- 1. Parameter Setup: Set QuantLib evaluation date and define market and bond parameters.
- 2. Schedule Construction: Create QuantLib Schedule for coupons.
- 3. Bond Construction: Instantiate appropriate bond object.

- 4. Discount Curve Creation: Use FlatForward for simplicity.
- 5. Engine Attachment: Assign pricing engine.
- 6. Metric Calculations:
 - Non-callable: Compute YTM, modified/Macaulay duration, convexity, effective duration/convexity.
 - Callable: For each call date, compute yield/duration/convexity, select YTW (lowest yield) and corresponding metrics.
- 7. Output: Print all metrics in a human-readable format, rounding decimals.

6. Error Handling & Edge Cases

- Yield Convergence: If yield calculations fail (e.g., price too high), output "N/A" for that scenario.
- Sanity Checks: Validate input coherence (e.g., issue date < maturity, call dates in range).
- Graceful Degradation: Incomplete metrics reported as "N/A"; computation continues without crash.
- Output Clarity: Clear labeling on any non-computable or exceptional result.

7. Output Format

Console output, e.g.:

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Yield to Maturity: 0.049876
Modified Duration: 7.773221
Macaulay Duration: 8.136912
Convexity: 89.124902
Effective Duration: 7.763029
Effective Convexity: 89.056277

For callable bonds, corresponding "To Worst" labels are included.

8. Sequence Diagrams

8.1 Non-Callable Bond Sequence

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User/Script
|
| 1. Provide input parameters
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NonCallableBondCalculator
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| 2. Initialize QuantLib objects, attach pricing engine
| 3. Calculate YTM, durations, convexities
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Print/Output
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Expanded for YTM:

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8.2 Callable Bond Sequence

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User/Script
|
| 1. Provide input (incl. call schedule)
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CallableBondCalculator
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| 2. Initialize CallableFixedRateBond, engine
| 3. For each call date:
| - calculate yield, duration, convexity
| 4. Select minimum yield (YTW) and associated metrics
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Print/Output
```

9. Extensibility & Maintainability

- Parameterization: All user inputs are centralized for adjustment.
- Modularity: Each computation is encapsulated for easy extension/addition and robust unit testing.
- Code Reuse: Shared logic across bond types centralized in a utility module.
- Future Expansion: CLI parameter input, additional bond types (floaters, step-ups),
 REST/GUI components as separate layers.

10. External Dependencies

- QuantLib-Python library
- Python 3.x

Specify in requirements.txt and document in README.md.

11. Potential Enhancements

- Config/CLI-driven parameter input
- Logging for debug and error handling
- Internationalization (i18n) of outputs
- Unit and integration tests
- Packaging as a library

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12. Appendix: Example Function Signatures

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def calculate_ytm(bond: QuantLib.Bond, price: float) -> float:
    ...
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