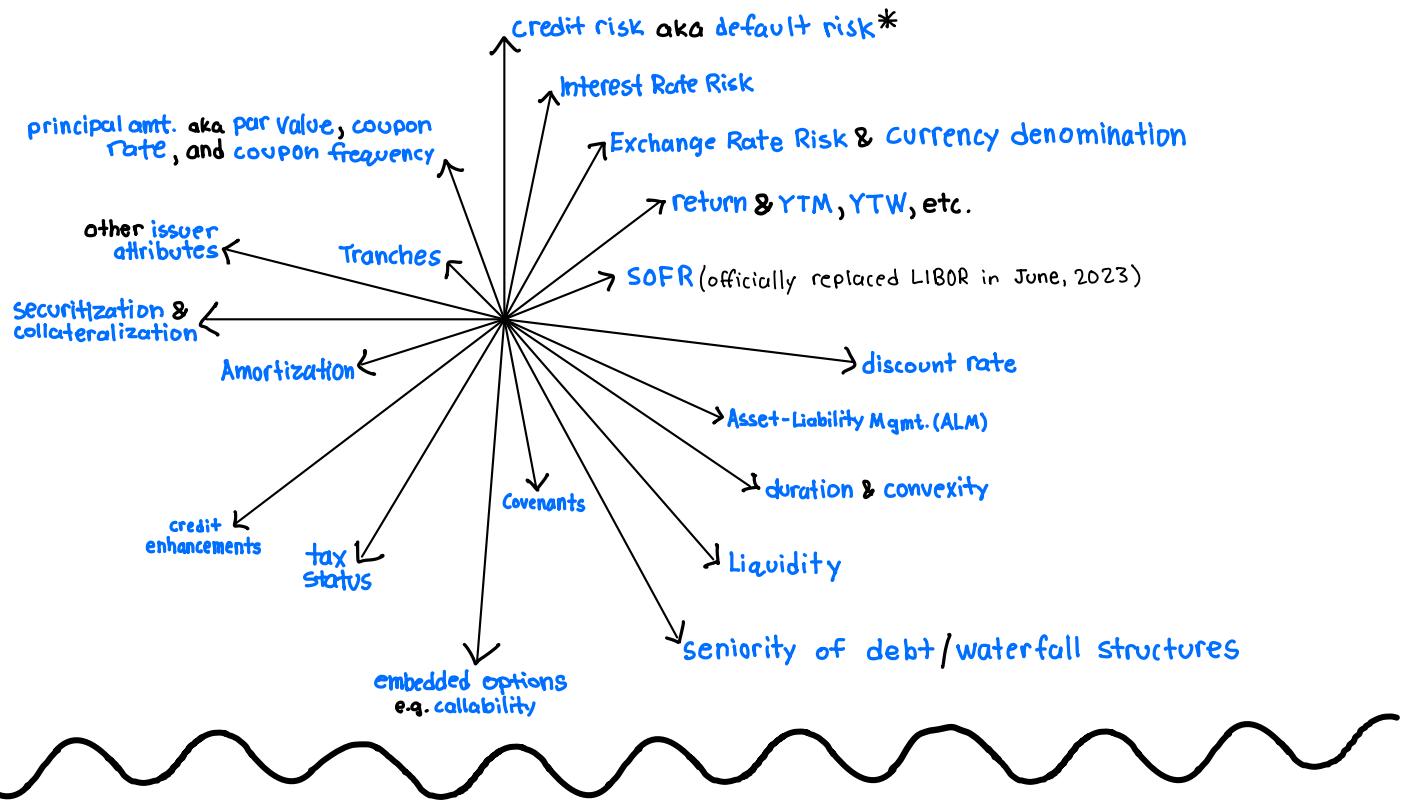


Pricing Fixed Income Securities is HIGH DIMENSIONAL,

less complex than equities, but a LOT more to keep track of...



some basics:

- Fundamentally, bonds are contractual agreements (**debentures**) between borrower & lender = main difference from stocks!
- "If you don't understand duration, then you don't understand Fixed Income"
- "A huge part of Fixed Income analysis is measuring & hedging risk"
- Flat/"clean" price = Full/"dirty" price + **AI** (pg.106-9) \neq Present Value
- coupon types: fixed v.s. float v.s. zero-coupon discount bonds v.s. ...
- discount rate (YTM, r, i, y) and coupon rate get divided by n in PV formula
- U.S. Treasuries almost always pay semi-annual coupons | T-Bills(4w:1yr); T-Notes(2yr:10yr); T-Bonds(\geq 30yr)
- SOFR officially replaced LIBOR on June 30th, 2023 but many bond still "carry" LIBOR
- Present Value formulas assume all cash flows are reinvested at the bond's Internal Rate of Return (IRR) aka Yield to Maturity, which is unrealistic
- Good practice to quote bonds on a "per \$100 par" basis

Yields

$$BEY = \frac{par - pv}{pv} \left(\frac{365}{\tau} \right), \quad \tau = T - t \quad \text{or} \quad = YTM * n : \text{annualized YTM}$$

$$EAY = \left(\frac{par}{PV} \right)^{\left(\frac{365}{\tau} \right)} - 1$$

$$YTM \xrightarrow[\text{zero coupon}]{} \left(\frac{FV}{PV} \right)^{\frac{1}{n}} - 1$$

$$YTM \xrightarrow[\text{Coupon Bond}]{} \text{use financial calculator (solve for I/Y)}$$

$$YTM < BEY < EAY$$

expected rate of return
for a bond only if held to maturity; no defaults,
coupons reinvested at YTM

poorest if

1. Interest Rates are Vol.
2. Steep yield curve
3. Significant default risk
4. bond is callable

Spreads

$$G\text{-Spread} = NYS = r^* - r_f$$

↳ aka Default Spread aka Credit Spread aka Yield Spread

$$I\text{-Spread} = r^* - r_{swap}$$

Z-Spread = the basis point spread that would need to be added to the default-free (risk-free) spot curve,
usually a government or interest rate spot curve, for market price to equal PV

↳ aka Zero Volatility Spread (ZVS) aka Static Spread

$$OAS = Z\text{-spread} - \text{Option cost}$$

Duration Formulas

$$\text{Macaulay} = \frac{\partial PV}{\partial YTM} = \frac{\text{zero}}{\text{coupon}} N = nt, \quad n = \frac{\text{compounding frequency}}{\text{coupon}}, \quad t = \frac{\text{time to maturity}}{\text{(in years)}}$$

$$\text{mod} = \text{Macaulay} \div (1 + \frac{r}{n}) = \frac{\text{zero}}{\text{coupon}} \frac{N}{1+r} = \text{elasticity}$$

$$\approx \frac{(PV_-) - (PV_+)}{2 * \Delta \text{yield} * PV_0}$$

$$PVBP/DV01 = [(PV_-) - (PV_+)] / 2$$

$$\text{yield convexity} \approx \frac{[(PV_-) - (PV_+)] - [2 * PV_0]}{(\Delta \text{yield})^2 * PV_0} = \frac{\text{zero}}{\text{coupon}} N^2$$

$$KRD \approx T_i \frac{CF_i * Z(0, T_i)}{P_i} \xleftarrow[\text{par}]{} \frac{P_i}{\text{par}}$$

$$\text{curve convexity} \approx \sum_{i=1} \frac{CF_i * Z(0, T_i)}{P_i} (T_i)^2$$

The 3 types of interest rate risk are:

1. Parallel Shifts
2. Curvature/Convexity (large changes)
3. Nonparallel Shifts

Other Formulas

PV based on spot: dynamic discount rate (price each individual coupon payment as a zero-coupon bond)

PV based on YTM: constant discount rate

$f(7, 1)$ = future discount rate agreed on today on a one-year bond issued in seven years

$$f_n = \text{forward rate} = E_t(\text{spot}) = \frac{(1+S_n)^n}{(1+S_{n-1})^{n-1}} - 1$$

$$S = \text{spot rate} = \frac{\text{zero}}{\text{coupon}} \left(\frac{\text{par}}{\text{PV}} \right)^{\frac{1}{T}} - 1$$

Valuation Formulas (plain vanilla bonds)

$$PV = \frac{\left(\frac{\text{coupon rate}}{n}\right) \times (\text{par})}{\left(1 + \frac{YTM}{n}\right)^1} + \frac{\left(\frac{\text{coupon rate}}{n}\right) \times (\text{par})}{\left(1 + \frac{YTM}{n}\right)^2} + \dots + \frac{\left[\left(\frac{\text{coupon rate}}{n}\right) \times (\text{par})\right] + \text{par}}{\left(1 + \frac{YTM}{n}\right)^{(n)(T)}}$$

$n \times T$ number of cash flows, $n = \text{no. coupon payments per year}$

Valuation Formulas (ABS & callable bonds)

An example of an embedded call option is prepayment.

$$PV(\text{MBS}) = PV(\text{plain vanilla}) - PV(\text{call option})$$

$$\text{pool factor} = \frac{\text{outstanding principal balance}}{\text{par}} = \begin{matrix} \text{\% of principal amt. still} \\ \text{eligible for prepayment (exposure)} \end{matrix}$$

$$WAL = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T t(SP + PR)}{\text{Principal Balance, } t=0}$$

$$\text{EffDur} = \frac{(PV_-) - (PV_+)}{2 * \Delta \text{curve} * PV_0} \quad \text{EffConv} = \frac{[(PV_-) - (PV_+)] - [2 * PV_0]}{(\Delta \text{curve})^2 * PV_0}$$

Valuation Formulas (REPO)

$$\frac{\text{Price} - \text{haircut}}{\frac{\text{Loan}}{\text{Loan}} \rightarrow \frac{\text{Loan} - \$\text{interest}}{\text{repayment} = RI}} = \frac{\text{ann. repo rate}}{\$ \text{interest}}$$

$$\text{borrower's profit} = P(T) - P(t) - RI$$

$$\text{lender's profit} = P(t) - P(T) + RI$$

$$ROIC = \frac{\text{profit}}{\text{haircut}}$$

30/360

- corporate
- MBSS
- Agency
- muni

Actual/360

- T-Bills ($4w - ly$)*
- money market

Actual/365 L

- T-Notes ($2y - 10y$)*
- T-Bonds ($> 10y$)*

* semiannual coupons

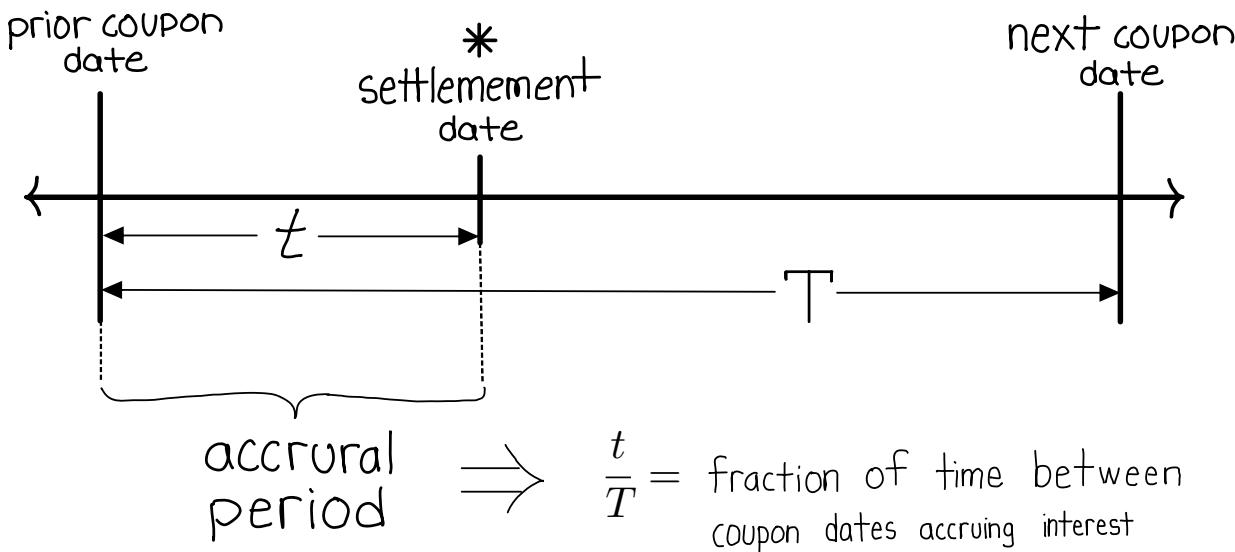
Calculating Accrued Interest and the Full Price of a plain vanilla Bond

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$$P_{\text{FULL}} = P_{\text{FLAT}} + AI, AI = \frac{t}{T}(\text{PMT}) \quad \text{or} \quad P_{\text{full}} = \text{PV} * \left[(1 + \frac{\text{discount rate}}{\text{rate}})^{-\frac{t}{T}} \right]$$

#days since prior coupon date
Total #days between coupon dates

- 30/360 for corporate bonds
- Actual/360 for short-term debt including commercial paper & T-Bill
- Actual/365 for longer term govt. debt such as T-Bonds



- The full price of a fixed-rate bond between coupon payments given the market discount rate per period (r) can be calculated as:

$$P_f = \frac{\text{PMT}}{(1+r)^{1-t/T}} + \frac{\text{PMT}}{(1+r)^{2-t/T}} + \dots + \frac{\text{PMT} + \text{FV}}{(1+r)^{N-t/T}}$$

where $N - t/T$ represents the time before the appropriate payment is made and **FV** is the face value of the bond.

- The above formula can be simplified to:

$$P_f = \text{PV} \times (1+r)^{t/T}$$

AN IMPORTANT DETAIL ABOUT FIXED INCOME IS THE COMPOUNDING INTEREST RATE FREQUENCY. UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, IT IS ALWAYS CORRET TO ASSUME...

In USA: government bonds pay semi-annual coupons

In asia: government bonds pay quarterly coupons

In Germany: government bonds (the "bund") pay annual coupons

The assumed compounding frequencies hold even for zero-coupon government bonds:

$$\text{In USA: } PV \frac{\text{zero}}{\text{coupon}} \frac{\text{Par}}{(1 + r_2)^t * 2} \Rightarrow \text{ModDur} = \frac{t * 2}{(1 + r_2)}$$

$$\text{In asia: } PV \frac{\text{zero}}{\text{coupon}} \frac{\text{Par}}{(1 + r_4)^t * 4} \Rightarrow \text{ModDur} = \frac{t * 4}{(1 + r_4)}$$

$$\text{In Germany: } PV \frac{\text{zero}}{\text{coupon}} \frac{\text{Par}}{(1 + r_1)^t * 1} \Rightarrow \text{ModDur} = \frac{t * 1}{(1 + r_1)}$$

$$\text{In general: } PV \frac{\text{zero}}{\text{coupon}} \frac{\text{Par}}{(1 + r_n)^{nt}} \Rightarrow \text{ModDur} = \frac{nt}{(1 + r_n)}$$

- "par" = Face Value
- n = compounding frequency
- t = time to maturity in years

NOTE TO SELF: YOU MISSED A LOT OF POINTS ON FINAL EXAM FOR NOT KNOWING THESE (VERY IMPORTANT) PRICING CONVENTIONS!!!