

Valuation of Debt Securities and Interest Rate Derivatives is the World of CVA and DVA

CVA - credit valuation adjustment  
DVA - debt valuation adjustment

Key Parameters:

- Expected Exposure to default loss
- Probability of Default
- Recovery Rate

Objective: obtain fair value prices for debt securities and derivatives given the extent of credit risk.

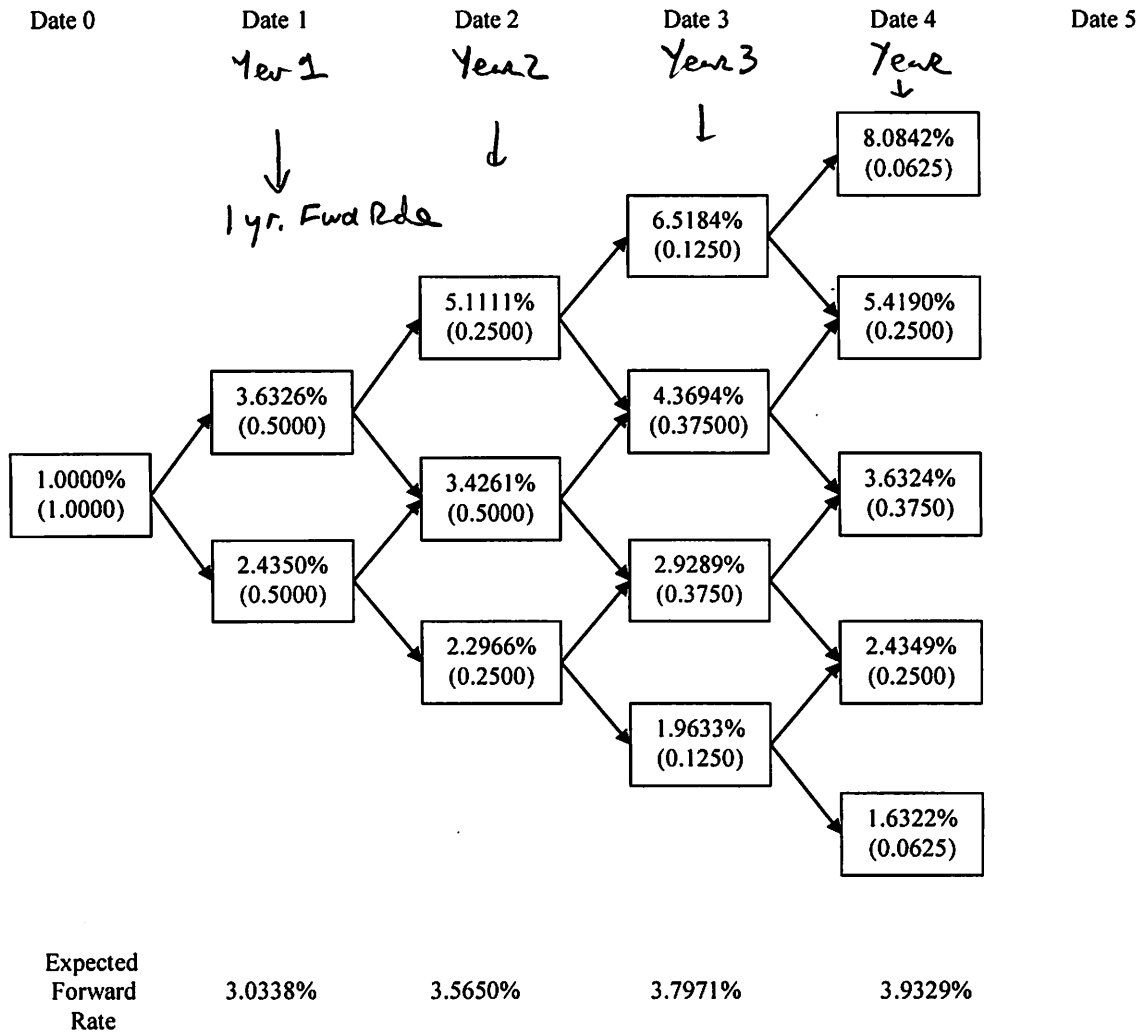
Section I. Forward Rate Binomial Tree Model

Assume: 1-year rate  
Underlying Bonds make annual coupon payments

Model: Kalotay-Williams-Fuozzi (KWF)  
Ho-Lee  
Hull-White  
Black-Karasinski  
Black-Derman-Toy

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### Exhibit 1: Binomial Forward Rate Tree for 20% Volatility



Assume 20% volatility

Note: these are based on "risk-free" government bonds.

For all nodes

Prob up = 50%

Prob down = 50%

**Exhibit 2: Underlying Risk-Free Benchmark Coupon Rates, Prices,  
Discount Factors, Spot Rates, and Forward Rates**

Date	Coupon Rate	Price	Discount Factor	Time Frame	Spot Rate	Time Frame	Forward Rate
1	1.00%	100.000	0.990099	0 x 1	1.0000%		
2	2.00%	100.000	0.960978	0 x 2	2.0101%	1 x 2	3.0303%
3	2.50%	100.000	0.928023	0 x 3	2.5212%	2 x 3	3.5512%
4	2.80%	100.000	0.894344	0 x 4	2.8310%	3 x 4	3.7658%
5	3.00%	100.000	0.860968	0 x 5	3.0392%	4 x 5	3.8766%

Par-Curve for benchmark bonds out to 5 years

Note: Coupon Rate = YTM because Par Bond  
No accrued interest.



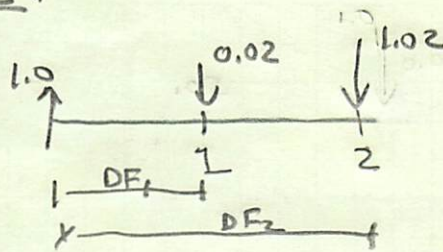
## Bootstrap Discount Factors

DF (discount factor) = PV (present value) of 1 unit of currency received at a future date.

$$DF_1 = \frac{1}{(1+r_1)^1} = \frac{1}{1+0.01} = \frac{1}{1.01} = 0.990099 = DF_1$$

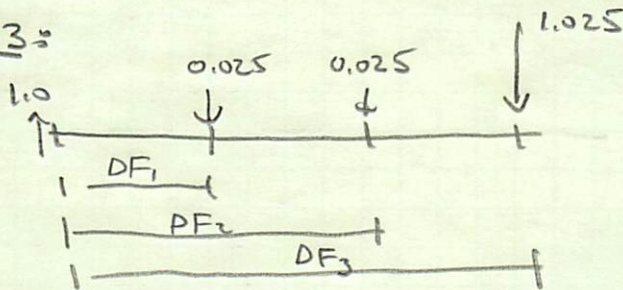
Note: Implicitly  $DF_0 = 1$

Date 2:



$$1.0 = (0.02)(0.990099) + (1.02)DF_2 \quad \underline{DF_2 = 0.960978}$$

Date 3:



$$1.0 = (0.025)(0.990099) + (0.025)(0.960978) + (1.025)(DF_3)$$

$$\underline{DF_3 = 0.928023}$$

For par bonds:

$$DF_n = \frac{1 - CR_n \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} DF_j}{1 + CR_n}$$

where,

CR = coupon rate



## Implied Spot Rates (or Zero-Coupon)

$$DF_n = \left( \frac{1}{1 + \text{spot}_{0,n}} \right)^n$$

or

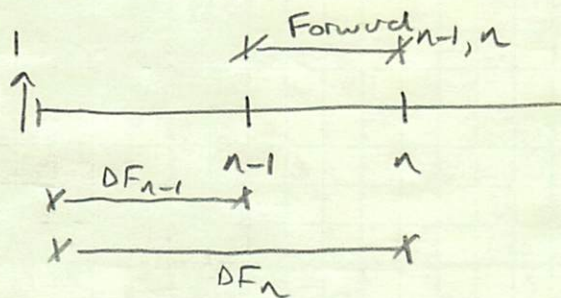
$$\text{spot}_{0,n} = \left( \frac{1}{DF_n} \right)^{1/n} - 1$$

For the 5-year "0x5" implied spot rate

$$\text{Spot}(0,5) = \left( \frac{1}{0.860968} \right)^{1/5} - 1 = 0.030392$$

$$S_5 = 3.0392\%$$

## Implied Forward Rates



$$\frac{1}{DF_{n-1}} (1 + \text{Forward}_{n-1,n}) = \frac{1}{DF_n}$$

$$\text{Forward}_{n-1,n} = \frac{DF_{n-1}}{DF_n} - 1$$

1 year forward rate, 3 years forward  
fwd 3y1y  $\Rightarrow$  Forward<sub>3,4</sub>  $\Rightarrow$   $f_{3y1y}$

$$f_{3y1y} = \frac{DF_3}{DF_4} - 1 = \frac{0.928023}{0.894344} - 1$$

$$f_{3y1y} = 0.037658 = 3.7658\%$$



Note that the implied forward rates are lower than the expected forward rates.

$$\text{Implied fwd}_{4,5} = 3.8766\%$$

$$\text{Expected fwd}_{4,5} = 3.9329\%$$

This occurs because:

KWF assumes lognormal forward rates thus no negative rates that Ho Lee and Hull-White can have due to assumption of a normal forward rates

KWF is an "arbitrage-free" term structure model which must be "calibrated" to assure that the benchmark bond matches the market price

$$(\text{Forward Rate})_{\text{Implied}} = \exp \left\{ -\frac{\sigma^2 T}{2} \pm \sigma \sqrt{T} \right\}$$

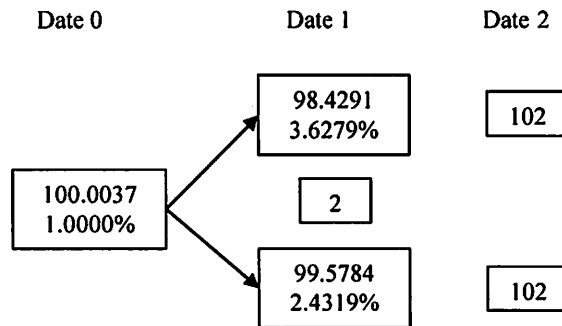
$$\text{for } \sigma = 0.20 \quad T = 1$$

Initial Total

See Exhibit 3

### Exhibit 3: Calibrating the Forward Rates on the Binomial Tree for Date 1

#### Upper Panel: The Initial Test

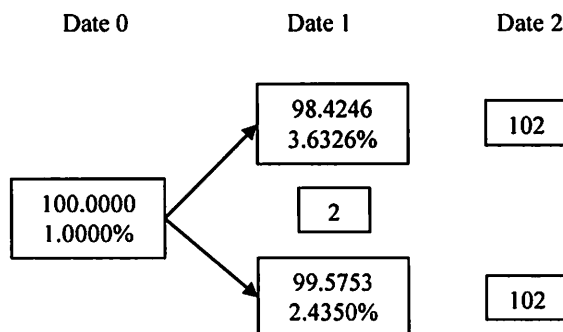


Calculations:

$$\frac{102}{1.036279} = 98.4291 \qquad \frac{102}{1.024319} = 99.5784$$

$$\frac{[2 + (0.50 * 98.4291 + 0.50 * 99.9784)]}{1.010000} = 100.0037$$

#### Lower Panel: The Final Calibration



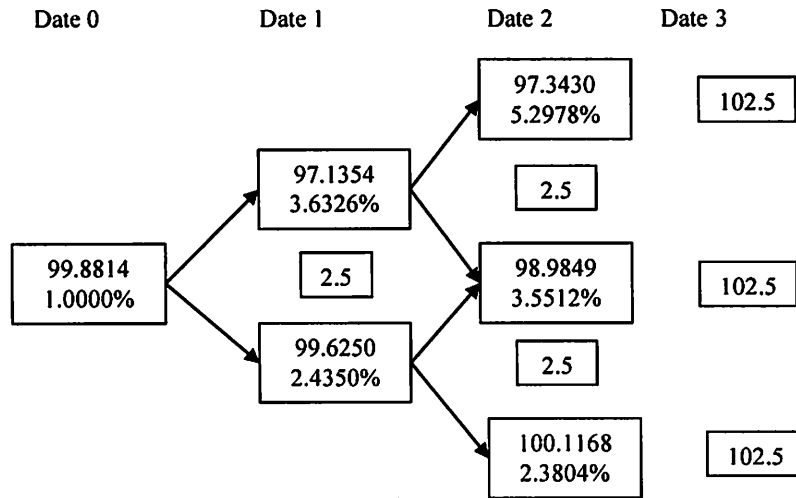
Calculations:

$$\frac{102}{1.036326} = 98.4246 \qquad \frac{102}{1.024350} = 99.5753$$

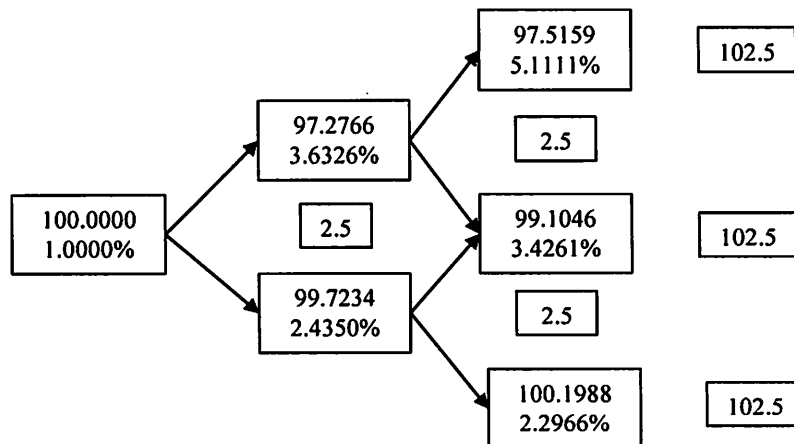
$$\frac{[2 + (0.50 * 98.4246 + 0.50 * 99.9753)]}{1.010000} = 100.0000$$

## Exhibit 4: Calibrating the Forward Rates on the Binomial Tree for Date 2

### Upper Panel: The Initial Test

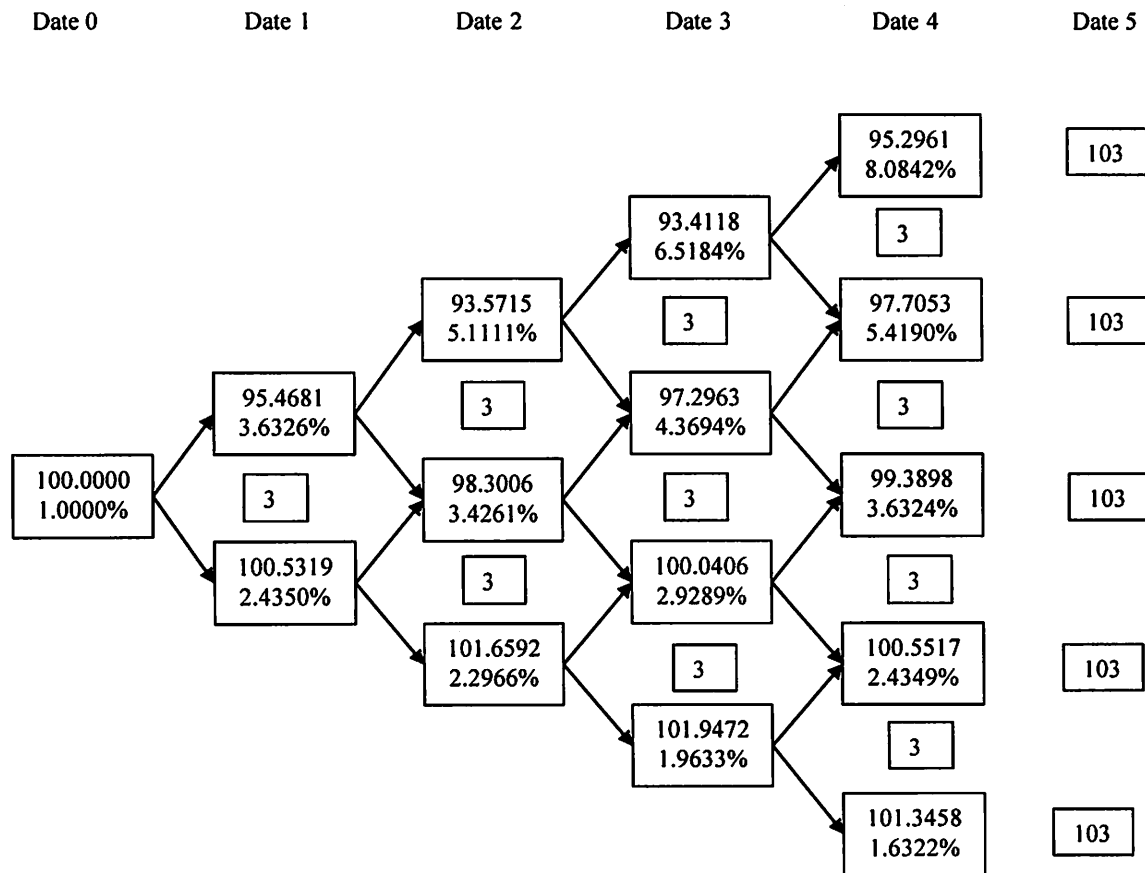


### Lower Panel: The Final Calibration





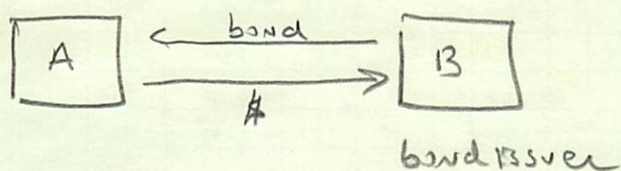
**Exhibit 5: Valuation of the 3%, 5-Year, Annual Coupon Payment Benchmark Bond**



Calibrated to implied forward rates :

## Unilateral Credit Risk

- credit risk to only 1 party in a transaction



[A] asset to the owner of the bond

[B] liability to the issuer of the bond

To the asset holder, the fair value of the debt security B or derivative writer

$$\text{Value}_{\text{asset}} = VND - CVA$$

where VND = value assuming no default  
riskless value

CVA depends on the credit risk of the issuer of the debt security or derivative writer

Credit risk is captured by :

- probability of default
- recovery rate if default occurs
- expected exposure if default occurs

In general,

$$CVA = \sum_{t=1}^T \left( \text{Expected Exposure}_t (1 - \text{recovery rate}_t) \right) + \left( \text{Default Probability}_{t-1,t} \right) (DF_t)$$



$$\Rightarrow (1 - \text{recovery rate}) = \text{loss severity}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\text{Expected Exposure})(1 - \text{recovery rate}) = \text{LGD}_{\text{loss given default}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Default Probability}_{t-1, t} = \text{Prob}(\tau > t | \tau > t-1) = \text{hazard rate}$$

Note that there is no distinction as to when from  $(t-1, t)$  default occurs

and that the realization that impact occurs at  $t$ , the same time that recovery rate is applied.

For the issuer,

$$\text{Value}^{\text{Liability}} = -(VND - DVA)$$

$$= -VND + DVA$$

⊖ negative implies liability

⊕ positive implies asset

Note that with unilateral credit risk

$$CVA = DVA \quad \text{differ only in perspective}$$

$$\text{Value}^{\text{Asset}} + \text{Value}^{\text{Liability}} = VND - CVA + (-VND + DVA) = 0$$

$$CVA = DVA$$

Note financial assets = financial liabilities in terms of economics, transactions, and aggregation across many assets/liabilities.



- Note that accounting rules might have different results, e.g.,

investors carry assets at market value  
Banks carry liabilities at book value

Example: Newly Issued Fixed Rate Corporate Bond  
See Exhibit 6

Note: The sum of the CVAs for the various dates is the overall CVA.

- o CVA of 23172 summarizes the credit risk on the bond in terms of present value at date 0.
- o Also, the credit risk can be summarized as the yield on the benchmark bond having the same time-to-maturity.

Corporate Bond      ytm = 3.50%      5-yr bond

Government Bond      ytm = 3.00%      5-yr bond

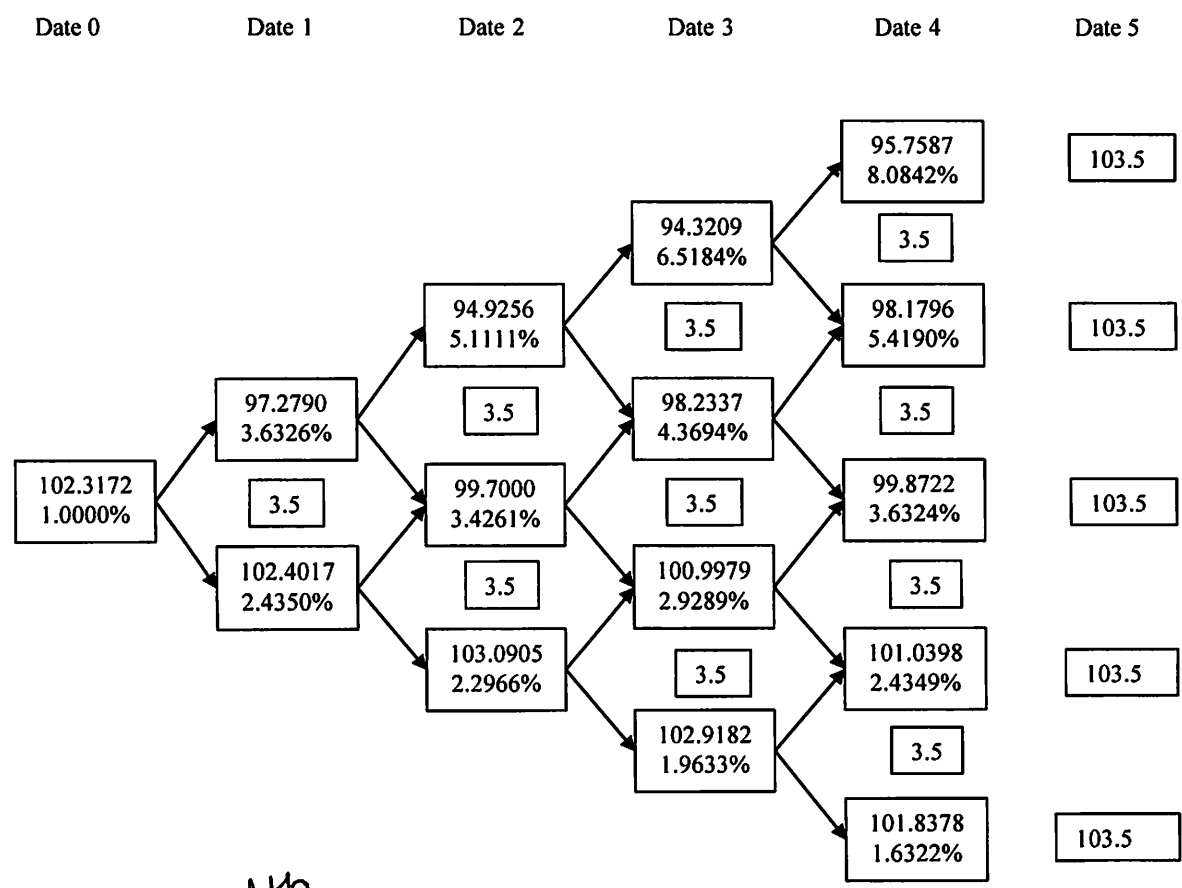
Annual credit spread = 50 bps

o Z-spread

$$\begin{aligned} 100 = & \frac{3.5}{(1+0.01+z)} + \frac{3.5}{(1+0.020101+z)^2} \\ & + \frac{3.5}{(1+0.025212+z)^3} + \frac{3.5}{(1+0.028310+z)^4} \\ & + \frac{103.5}{(1+0.030392+z)^5} \end{aligned}$$

trial-error  $\Rightarrow$  z-spread = 50.65 bps

**Exhibit 6: Valuation of a Newly Issued, 3.50%,  
5-Year, Annual Coupon Payment Corporate Bond**



*we need to term structure*  
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*(1 - 40%)*

*hazard rate*

*riskless df*

	Expected Exposure	Loss Severity	Probability of Default	Discount Factor	CVA/DVA
Date 0					
Date 1	103.3404	60%	0.80805%	0.990099	0.4961
Date 2	102.8540	60%	0.80805%	0.960978	0.4792
Date 3	102.8667	60%	0.80805%	0.928023	0.4628
Date 4	103.1067	60%	0.80805%	0.894344	0.4471
Date 5	103.5000	60%	0.80805%	0.860968	<u>0.4320</u> 2.3172

Fair Value = 102.3172 - 2.3172 = 100.0000



Components of a Corporate Bond Yield  
See Exhibit 7



**Exhibit 7: Components of a Corporate Bond Yield**

