

**Problem 1**

We have  $F=100$ ,  $C=10$ ,  $\lambda = 0.05$ ,  $n=60$ ,  $m=2$ , the price is given by

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \frac{F}{[1 + (\lambda/m)]^n} + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{C/m}{[1 + \lambda/m]^k} \\ &= \frac{F}{[1 + (\lambda/m)]^n} + \frac{C}{\lambda} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{[1 + (\lambda/m)]^n} \right) = 177.272 \end{aligned}$$

**problem 2**

Find the present value of the perpetual cash flow stream  $(C_0, C_1, \dots, C_n, \dots)$  where the  $n$ -th year payment  $C_n = n - 1$  and the prevailing rate is 2%. Let  $x = \frac{1}{1+r}$ , the present value is given by

$$\begin{aligned} PV &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n x^n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n-1)x^n \\ &= x^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n-1)x^{n-2}. \end{aligned}$$

Let us simplify the quantity  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n-1)x^{n-2}$ . Using the change of variable  $m = n - 2$  we have,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n-1)x^{n-2} = \frac{-1}{x^2} + 0 + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (m+1)x^m.$$

Using the result from Lecture note 3, we know that  $\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (m+1)x^m = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2}$ .

. In sum,

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n-1)x^{n-2} = \frac{-1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{(1-x)^2}.$$

Therefore

$$PV = x^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n-1)x^{n-2} = -1 + \frac{x^2}{(1-x)^2} = -1 + \frac{1}{r^2} = 2499.$$

**Problem 3**

Using the fact that the Present Value  $PV = \frac{A}{r}$ , with  $A = 10000$  the duration is

$$D = -\frac{1+r}{PV} \frac{dPV}{dr} = -\frac{r(1+r)}{A} \frac{(-A)}{r^2} = \frac{1+r}{r} = 34.33 \text{ years.}$$

The modified duration

$$D_M = \frac{D}{1+r} = \frac{1}{r} = 33.33 \text{ years.}$$

**Problem 4**

Since we have a zero coupon bond the bond price is  $P = \frac{F}{[1 + (\lambda/m)]^n}$ , then the convexity is given by

$$C = \frac{1}{P} \frac{d^2 P}{d\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{P} \frac{n(n+1)P}{m^2 \left(1 + \lambda/m\right)^2} = \frac{n(n+1)}{m^2 \left(1 + \lambda/m\right)^2}$$

using the fact that  $T = n/m$  so  $n = Tm$ . We have

$$C = \frac{T(T + 1/m)}{\left(1 + \lambda/m\right)^2}.$$

As  $m$  goes to infinity we have

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} C = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T(T + 1/m)}{\left(1 + \lambda/m\right)^2} = T^2.$$

**Problem 5**

After 10 years, the payment the company needs to make if the call provision is exercised is:

$P_{10}^C = (1 + 0.1) \times \text{FaceValue} = 110\%$ . We always assume the  $\text{FaceValue} = 100\%$ . Let  $P_{10}$  be the bond price after 10 years, since the company assumes that exercising the call provision is advantageous, this means we should have

$$110 < P_{10} = \frac{100}{(1 + \lambda)^{10}} + \frac{5}{\lambda} \left(1 - \frac{1}{(1 + \lambda)^{10}}\right).$$

Solving this inequality numerically we find out that the yield to maturity is lower than 3.78%,  $\lambda < 0.0378052$ .