

4.1:

There are 89 days between 2/15/2001, and 5/15/2001. There are 181 days between 2/15/2001 and 8/15/2001. Therefore, the accrued interest on this bond is

$$89/181 * 5/2 = 1.229282$$

And the invoice price on \$100,000 is $\$100,000 * (96 - 23 \frac{1}{2} + 1.229282) / 100 = \$97,963.66$

2.2 Solving the following equation, we have:

$$\$100 * (1 + r/2)^6 = \$120$$

$r = 6.1707\%$, so the return is 6.1707%.

2.3

using the following equation:

$$\hat{r}(t) = 2 \left(\frac{1}{\alpha(t)^{1/2t}} - 1 \right)$$

when $t = 0.5$, resulting spot rate
= 3.822%.

when $t = 1$, resulting spot rate
is 3.997%.

when $t = 1.5$, resulting spot rate
is 4.230%.

3.2 The required yield is
4.8964%.

3.7 a).

The value of the annuity over 25 years is

$$\frac{\$25,000}{0.03} \times \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{1.03} \right)^{50} \right] =$$

\$643,244.

for 15 years, the value of annuity becomes:

$$\frac{\$25,000}{0.03} \times \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{1.03} \right)^{30} \right] =$$

\$490,011

∴ the woman should buy the annuity at \$575,000 if she expects to live 25 years, but not if she expects to live 15 years.