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Maturity of bond		years
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References

Worksheet

Learning Objective: 07-02 Explain bond values and yields and why they fluctuate.

Difficulty: 2 Intermediate

Section: 7.1 Bonds and Bond Valuation

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Maturity of bond	9.20+/-1%	years
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Explanation:

Note: Intermediate answers are shown below as rounded, but the full answer was used to complete the calculation.

To find the number of years to maturity for the bond, we need to find the price of the bond. Since we already have the coupon rate, we can use the bond price equation, and solve for the number of years to maturity. We are given the current yield of the bond, so we can calculate the price as:

$$\text{Current yield} = .0765 = \$80/P_0$$

$$P_0 = \$80/.0765$$

$$P_0 = \$1,045.75$$

Now that we have the price of the bond, the bond price equation is:

$$P_0 = \$1,045.75 = \$80\{[1 - (1/1.073^t)]/.073\} + \$1,000/1.073^t$$

We can solve this equation for t as follows:

$$\$1,045.75(1.073)^t = \$1,095.89(1.073)^t - 1,095.89 + 1,000$$

$$95.89 = 50.14(1.073)^t$$

$$1.9125 = 1.073^t$$

$$t = \ln 1.9125 / \ln 1.073 = 9.20$$

The bond has 9.20 years to maturity.

Calculator Solution:

$$\text{Current yield} = .0765 = \$80/P_0$$

$$P_0 = \$80/.0765$$

$$P_0 = \$1,045.75$$

Enter		7.3%	±\$1,045.75	\$80	\$1,000
	N	I/Y	PV	PMT	FV
Solve for	9.20				