Money Market



Money Market

- IOUs issued by government, banks, corporations
- Short-term financial instrument
 - Usually matures in less than one year
- Liquid and high denominations
- No physical trading floors
 - trading over the phone, telex or fax
 - Price info supplied by Reuters, Telerate, brokers



Participants

- Borrowers
 - Corporations, banks, governments
- Investors (lenders)
 - Pension funds, insurance companies, mutual funds, corporate treasurers
- Dealers (quoting bid and offer prices)
 - Investment banks, securities houses
- Brokers (highest bid and lowest offer)

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Factors affecting value of debt

- Credit Risk
 Issuer not being able to meet its obligations. Higher risk for longer term.
- Liquidity Risk
 Not heavily traded. Wide spread quotes.
- Market RiskChange in market conditions.



Time Value of Money

In most developed markets, government securities is assumed credit risk-free.

For stable market conditions, should longterm rates be higher or lower than short-term rates? Why?

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Yield Curve

Yield curve displays graphically the relationship between interest rates for different maturities – the term structure of interest rates.

Yield curve reflects expectations about future interest rates. An upward slope means that short-term rates are expected to rise/fall? What if the yield curve is flat?

Yield Curve Example



In bank lending the bank determines the credit risk of the borrower and adjusts its rates accordingly.

Credit ratings agencies:
Standard & Poor's
Moody's Investor Service
Fitch Ratings

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Credit ratings – long-term paper

	S&P	Moody's
Best-quality grade	AAA	Aaa
	AA+	Aa1
High-quality grade	AA	Aa2
	AA-	Aa3
	A+	A1
Upper-medium grade	Α	A2
	A-	A3
	BBB+	Baa1
Medium grade	BBB	Baa2
	BBB-	Baa3



Credit ratings – short-term paper

S&P	Moody's
A1+	P1
A1	
A2	P2
A3	P3

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Sample Rating



ANNOUNCEMENT: Moody's Affirms HSBC Holdings (Senior at Aa2/P-1);
Maintains Positive Outlook
CREDIT: HSBC Holdings plc

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Money Market Instruments

Treasury bill Government

Time Deposit

Certificate of Deposit Bank

Banker's acceptance Bank

Commercial Paper Corporation

Repurchase agreement



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Terminology

Eurodollar

U.S. dollar-denominated deposits at banks outside of the U.S.

Coupon

Interest rate stated on an instrument when it is issued

Discount Instrument

An instrument which does not carry a coupon is a "discount" instrument. Discount equals the difference between the price paid for a security and security's par value.

Bearer/registered

A "bearer" security is one where the issuer pays the principal (and coupon if there is one) to whoever is holding the security at maturity.



Fixed Income Security

Money market instrument whose future cash flows have been contractually defined and can be determined in advance.

Yield to Maturity

YTM is the rate of return that you would achieve on a fixed income security, if you bought it at a given price and held it to maturity

LIBOR, HIBOR

Interbank offered rate – interest rate at which one bank offers money to another bank.

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DAY/YEAR Conventions

Interest paid = interest rate quoted $\times \frac{\text{days in period}}{\text{days in year}}$

Most money markets use ACT/360

Exceptions using ACT/365:

International and domestic:

Sterling, Hong Kong dollar, Singapore dollar, Malaysian ringgit, Taiwan dollar, Thai baht, South African rand

Domestic (but not international):

Japanese yen, Canadian dollar, Australian dollar, New Zealand dollar



Round-the-clock business spanning Singapore and Hong Kong, Bahrain, Frankfurt, Paris, London and New York

LIBOR – the rate dealers charge for lending money (they offer funds)

LIBID – the rate dealers pay for taking a deposit (they bid for funds)

In London, quote (offered rate – bid rate) Other places, quote (bid rate – offered rate)

Rule: pay the higher rate for a loan, receive the lower for a deposit

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Fixed Date Conventions

Short Dates

Overnight (O/N)	Starting today and maturing tomorrow
"Tom-next" (T/N)	Starting tomorrow and maturing the next day
Spot-next (S/N)	Starting on the spot date and maturing the day after spot
Spot-one week (S/W)	Starting spot and maturing seven days later



Fixed Date Conventions

End/End Rule

If the spot date is a month-end, then all forward fixed dates will be month end

Month-End Roll Back

If the forward date lands on a month-end and that happens to be a weekend or a holiday, then it cannot be rolled forward to the next month. Settlement will be rolled back to the last working day of the same month

Example:

A two-month Eurodeposit booked in London on 26 February will be for value 28 February, the spot date. Since this a month-end, the deposit will mature on 30 April. If 30 April is a Sunday, the deposit will mature on 28 April.

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Time deposit/loan

term 1 day to several years, but usually less than 1 year

interest usually all paid on maturity

quotation as an interest rate

currency any domestic or international currency

settlement generally same day for domestic, 2 working days

for international

registration no

negotiable no



Certificate of deposit (CD)

term generally up to one year

interest usually pay a coupon

quotation as a yield

currency any domestic or international currency

settlement generally same day for domestic, 2 working days

for international

registration usually in bearer form

negotiable yes

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Price = present value

Consider CD paying only one coupon at maturity:

maturity proceeds = face value
$$\times \left(1 + \text{coupon rate} \times \frac{\text{coupon period (days)}}{\text{year}}\right)$$

$$Price = \frac{\text{face value} \times \left(1 + \text{coupon rate} \times \frac{\text{coupon period (days)}}{\text{year}}\right)}{\left(1 + \text{interest rate} \times \frac{\text{days}_{\text{purchase to maturity}}}{\text{year}}\right)}$$



CD - Return

$$yield = \left(\frac{FV}{PV} - 1\right) \times \frac{year}{days}$$

yield =
$$\left(\frac{\text{sale price}}{\text{purchase price}} - 1\right) \times \frac{\text{year}}{\text{days held}}$$

$$yield = \underbrace{\left(\frac{1 + interest \ rate_{purchase}}{1 + interest \ rate_{sale}} \times \frac{days_{purchase \ to \ maturity}}{year}\right) - 1}_{\left(1 + interest \ rate_{sale}} \times \frac{days_{sale \ to \ maturity}}{year}\right)}{\left(1 + interest \ rate_{sale}} \times \frac{days_{sale \ to \ maturity}}{year}\right)}{vear} - 1$$

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CD - Example

issuer XYZ

rating A1P1

issue date 1 January 2007

maturity 1 January 2008

face value \$1,000,000

interest 5% pa



CD - Example

maturity proceeds =
$$\$1,000,000 \times \left(1 + 0.05 \times \frac{365}{365}\right) = \$1,050,000$$

Now only 61 days left to maturity and current 2 month deposit rates are 4%

Price =
$$\frac{\$1,050,000}{\left(1+0.04 \times \frac{61}{365}\right)} = \$1,043,027$$



You are offered \$1,042,800 for the CD. What yield does this represent?

$$\$1,042,800 = \frac{\$1,050,000}{\left(1 + \text{yield} \times \frac{61}{365}\right)}$$

$$\text{yield (YTM)} = \left(\frac{\$1,050,000}{\$1,042,800} - 1\right) \times \frac{365}{61} = 0.0413$$

Secondary market price quote is 4.13%

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CD – quoted price

If you were quoted 4.13 – 3.89 for the 5% XYZ CD, this means that the market maker is willing to buy it from you for a cash amount that will give him a yield 4.13%, or he will sell it to you for a cash sum that will yield you 3.89%

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Treasury Bill (T-bill)

term generally 13, 26 or 52 weeks

interest mostly non-coupon bearing, issued at a discount

quotation US and UK a "discount rate" basis; most places on

a true yield basis

currency usually the currency of the country

registration bearer security

negotiable yes



US Treasury Bills

- Federal Reserve auctions 13- and 26-week Tbills on behalf of the US government every Monday, for delivery on Thursday
- Also auctions 52-week bills every month
- Settlement in the secondary market is for the following business day, i.e., T+1
- "No" risk of default Are yields on T-bills lower or higher than those available in CDs?

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Discount rate quote

The quoted rate on a US T-bill with 50 days to maturity is 4.12% (discount basis). How much would you have to pay for the bill, for a \$1,000,000 deal?

$$$1,000,000 - ($1,000,000 \times 0.0412 \times \frac{50}{360}) = $994,278$$

Price = Face Value
$$\times \left(1 - \text{Discount Rate} \times \frac{\text{days to maturity}}{\text{year}} \right)$$



Discount to Yield Conversion

$$Price = Face Value \times \left(1 - Discount Rate \times \frac{days to maturity}{year}\right)$$

$$Price = \frac{Face Value}{\left(1 + yield \times \frac{days to maturity}{year}\right)}$$

yield =
$$\frac{\text{discount rate}}{\left(1 - \text{discount rate} \times \frac{\text{days to maturity}}{\text{year}}\right)}$$

discount rate =
$$\frac{\text{yield}}{\left(1 + \text{yield} \times \frac{\text{days to maturity}}{\text{year}}\right)}$$

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Commercial Paper (CP)

term for US, from 1 to 270 days; usually very short-term

for ECP, from 2 to 365 days; usually 30 to 180 days

interest non-interest bearing; issued at a discount

quotation for US, on a "discount rate" basis

for ECP, as a yield

currency for US, domestic US\$

for ECP, any Eurocurrency but largely US\$

settlement for US, same day

for ECP, 2 working days

registration in bearer form

negotiable yes



Bill of exchange/ Banker's acceptance

term From 1 week to 1 year but usually < 6 months

interest non-interest bearing; issued at a discount

quotation for US and UK, quoted on a "discount rate" basis

elsewhere on a yield basis

currency mostly domestic

settlement available for discount immediately on being drawn

registration none

negotiable yes

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Repurchase agreement (repo)

term usually for very short-term

interest difference between purchase and repurchase prices

quotation as a yield

currency any currency

settlement Generally cash against delivery of the security

registration n/a

negotiable no