REVIEW OF BOND VALUATION

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

lacktriangle Basic principle of valuation of any financial asset

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- ▶ Learn key features of a bond issue
- ▶ Find the value of a zero-coupon bond
- ▶ Find the value of coupon bond
- ▶ Compute the yield to maturity of a bond

BOND PRICING: KEY FEATURES

▶ A bond (or a fixed income instrument) is a promissory note that specifies exactly the (promised) future cash flows it pays.

BOND PRICING: CASH FLOWS

- ► Two types of cash flows
 - ► **Principal** (called **face value = F**) at <u>maturity</u>
 - ▶ Amount returned to bondholders at maturity
 - ► Face value also called par value, typically \$1,000 for corporate debt
 - ► Periodic cash flows (called **coupons = C**)
 - ▶ Percentage of face value
 - ► Coupons are usually paid semi-annually.

ZERO-COUPON BOND VALUATION

- ► Zero-coupon bonds have only single cash flow which is equal to the face value at maturity.
- ► The value of a zero-coupon is simply the discounted value of the single cash flow at maturity at time T.

ZERO COUPON BOND VALUATION: EXAMPLE

▶ One-year zero-coupon bond with a face value of \$10,000 is sold in a market where the one-year discount rate is 5.35%. What is the market value of the bond?

YIELD TO MATURITY

- ► Conversely, we can ask what rate of return the bond promises, given the bond's promised cash flows and the current bond price.
- ➤ Yield-to-maturity (YTM) = single interest rate that sets the price equal to the present value (IRR)

YIELD TO MATURITY EXAMPLE

▶ Suppose a 20-year zero-coupon bond with a face value of \$1,000,000 is selling for \$455,500. What is the yield to maturity on this bond?

COUPON BONDS

- ► Bonds often make periodic payments coupon payments. For example, U.S. bonds typically make semiannual bonds.
- ► The coupon rate is expressed as a percentage of the face value. Remember this is just a way of telling us what the periodic cash flows are.

COUPON BOND VALUATION: EXAMPLE

▶ A 2-year bond with a face value of \$1,000, a coupon rate of 12% and semi-annual coupon payments is sold in a market where the 12-month discount rate is 5.35%, compounded semiannually. What is the market value of the bond?

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