### Bond Options and Option Adjusted Yield

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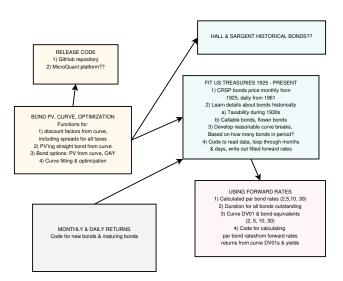
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# Option to Buy (or Sell) – Option not Obligation

#### What is an Option?

The right to buy (or sell) at pre-agreed price:

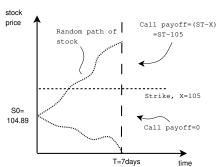
- FIS stock on Friday (11-may-18) was trading at \$104.89
- Option to buy on 18-may for \$105
- P > \$105: buy at \$105, sell at P, profit P-105
- P < \$105: do nothing
  - You can only win with an option
  - Must pay for that privilege: May 18 \$105 call was \$0.80

# Some Option Terminology – And Option Diagram

#### Option Terminology:

- Underlier: What the option is written on
  - FIS stock price (S<sub>0</sub> today)
- Call vs Put: Buy vs Sell
  - Call: Option to Buy
  - Payoff =  $S_T 105$  if  $S_T > 105$
- Expiry: date to buy or sell
  - 18-may, 7 days away
- Strike X: Price to buy or sell
  - \$105 in this case

#### Option Diagram:



### Fundamental Problem: PV for Uncertain CFs

**Known CFs**: We know how to PV by simple discounting:  $PV = \frac{CF}{(1+rf)^{yrs}}$ 

Uncertain CFs: Cannot use discounting, which only works for certain CFs

- Uncertain because a company may not pay: default
- Uncertain because of option condition:  $CF = S_T X$  if  $S_T > X$

In both cases we have a Distribution of Uncertain CFs

Two methods for adjusting CFs so we can discount using  $PV = \frac{CF}{(1+rf)^{yrs}}$ 

- 1 Adjust size of promised CFs by a risk premium looks like risk-adjusted yield
  - $y_{risky} = rf + rp$
- 2 Adjust probabilities of CFs and apply risk-neutral expectation & discounting (should be called risk-adjusted expectation)

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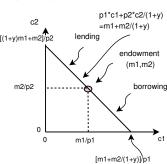
# Known CFs: Discounting is Micro I Budget Line

**Known CFs**: We know how to PV by simple discounting:  $PV = \frac{CF}{(1+rf)^{yrs}}$ 

$$p_1c_1 + p_2c_2/(1+y) = m_1 + m_2/(1+y)$$

$$p_1c_1 \cdot (1+y) + p_2c_2 = m_1 \cdot (1+y) + m_2$$

- Can write as PV:  $m_2/1+y$ 
  - or FV:  $m_1 \cdot (1 + y)$
- Budget line same either way
- In FV form income higher, but so are "prices"



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### PV for Uncertain CFs

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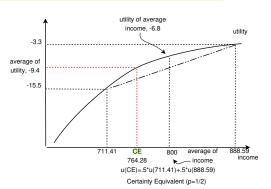
- Instead, adjust until we convert the uncertain CFs to *Certainty Equivalent*
- The *certain CF* with same utility as the distributions of uncertain CFs

#### Example here:

- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> probability of low (\$711.41) vs
   high (\$888.59) CFs
- Average to \$800
- Cannot discount that average \$800 not a certain CF

#### Solve for *Certainty Equivalent*:

$$U(C_{CE}) = EU(C_l, C_h) = U(C_l, C_h)$$
$$= p \cdot u(C_l) + (1 - p) \cdot u(C_h)$$



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### Uncertain Distribution → Certainty Equivalent

Uncertain CFs: Convert Uncertain Distribution into Certainty Equivalent CF

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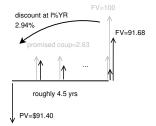
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### Both are Arbitrage-Free Pricing: Using Market Prices

Back out risk adjustment from market prices: Arbitrage-free pricing

#### Adjust CF size via rp

$$PV_{bond} = \frac{CE}{1 + ust} = \frac{Promised \ CF}{(1 + ust) \cdot (1 + rp)}$$

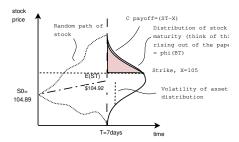


- Stick with promised CFs
- Discount at  $y \approx ust + rp$
- Builds in CF adjustment & discounting

#### Adjust CF probabilities

$$PV_{bond} = rac{\mathit{CE}}{1 + \mathit{ust}} = rac{\mathit{p}^* \cdot \mathit{C}_{orig}^{lo}}{(1 + \mathit{ust})} + rac{(1 - \mathit{p}^*) \cdot \mathit{C}_{orig}^{hi}}{(1 + \mathit{ust})}$$

$$PV_{option} = \frac{p^* \cdot C_{orig}^{lo}}{(1+ust)} + \frac{(1-p^*) \cdot C_{orig}^{hi}}{(1+ust)}$$



- Work with any part of dist'n

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# Options - Using Risk-Neutral & Distribution

For standard bonds, risk-adjusted discounting (risk premium) more useful

- Can ignore full distribution
- Use just expected or promised CF

For options, need to use distribution

- Back out risk-adjusted ("risk-neutral") Martingale Equivalent Measure (probability dist'n E<sub>Q</sub>[·]) using market PV:
  - $PV = \frac{E_Q[CF]}{(1+rf)}$
- Whole point of an option: you get part of the distribution
  - Discount only part of the distribution
  - $E_Q[S_T X \mid S_T > X]$

Called Risk Neutral Distribution or Equivalent Martingale Measure

• These are some very deep ideas in finance

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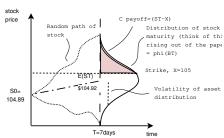
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- Discount back at risk-free rate



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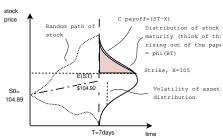
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- Today's Price: P = 104.89 => fwd price = \$104.92
- Fwd Price:  $PV = \frac{FP}{1+rf}$ , here  $1 + rf = \exp(y \cdot t) = \exp(.015 \cdot .01918) = 1.000288$

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### Black Scholes Formula – Simple Expectation

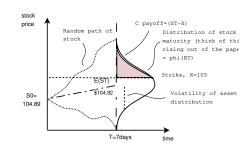
Take Expectation (averaging) described by picture – and then discount at risk-free

• Integrate over (take expectation) only the upper tail

$$Call = e^{-rT} \cdot E\left[ \left( S_T - X \right) | S_T > X \right] = e^{-rT} \cdot \int_{S=X}^{S=\infty} \left( S_T - X \right) \varphi\left( S_T \right) dS_T$$

This gives Black-Scholes formula

$$\begin{aligned} \textit{Call} &= \textit{N}(\textit{d}_1) \cdot \textit{S}_{\textit{T}} \cdot \textit{exp}(-\textit{rT}) \\ &- \textit{N}(\textit{d}_2) \cdot \textit{X} \cdot \textit{exp}(-\textit{rT}) \\ \textit{d}_1 &= \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{T}} \left[ \textit{In} \left( \frac{\textit{S}_{\textit{T}}}{\textit{X}} \right) + \frac{\sigma^2 \textit{T}}{2} \right] \\ \textit{d}_2 &= \textit{d}_1 - \sigma \sqrt{T} \end{aligned}$$



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### Calculation with Spread-Sheet and HP 17B app

### Spread-sheet on Canvas (Saved with data for problem set)

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Black fwd
12-May-18
                Today
11-May-18
                Date entered (if empty will use date above)
11-May-18
                Today
                Years to expiry (if empty will use date below)
                Date (if years empty)
18-May-18
18-May-18
                Expires
    104 92
                Forward
      105
                Strike
    14.5%
                Vol input
    1.50%
                Short rate (cc)
                Dividend rate
      0.02
   104.92
                Fwd used
    0.801
                Call
    48.9%
                 Delta
```

#### HP 17B App – BSCH menu (under Finance)

0.881

Put

|           | Stock  | Strike | #Days | DIV% | VOL% | R.F.% | CALL  |
|-----------|--------|--------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|
| Given     | 104.89 | 105    | 7     | 0    | 14.5 | 1.5   |       |
| Solve For |        |        |       |      |      |       | 0.801 |

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# Bond Option (Swaption) Models

There are two or three or four versions of option models for bonds:

- Bond Prices are log-normal
  - Bonds prices can go down to zero (so yields up to infinity)
  - Bond prices can go above sum(CF): 4yr 6.5% bond, sum of CF=\$126.  $P=$130 \Rightarrow yld = -0.84\%$
  - Effectively, bond yields normal
- 2 Bond yields log-normal
  - $1.0\% \rightarrow 1.1\%$  same as  $10\% \rightarrow 11\%$  same as  $100\% \rightarrow 110\%$
  - Yields cannot go negative
  - Maybe good, maybe bad
- 3 Bond yield normal
  - Commonly used now
- 4 Bond yield square-root process
  - One of my favorite, because mid-way between log-normal & normal

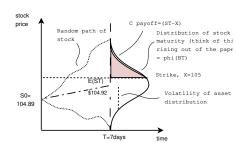
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### Log-Normal Prices

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### Log-Normal Yields

I will discuss with swaptions, put option on bond where exercise when PV(swap)  $<0 \Rightarrow \text{PV(bond)} < 100$ 

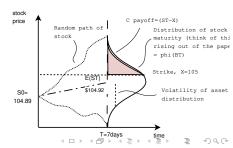
Option on rates – Put on bond ↔ Call on rates

$$Put = e^{-rT} \cdot PV(annuity) \cdot E\left[ (Y_T - X) | Y_T > X \right]$$
$$= e^{-rT} \cdot PV(annuity) \cdot \int_{Y=X}^{Y=\infty} (Y_T - X) \varphi(Y_T) dY_T$$

This gives Black-Scholes formula – same picture but put in "Y" instead of "S"

Why does this work?

- $PV(swap) = PV(annuity) \cdot (Coup Y_T)$
- Use something called "Equivalent Martingale Measure with PV(annuity) as numeraire"
- Calculate PV(annuity) at the forward rate for the swap / bond



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### Normal Yields

Exactly same as log-normal yields: put option on bond where exercise when  $PV(swap) < 0 \Rightarrow PV(bond) < 100$ 

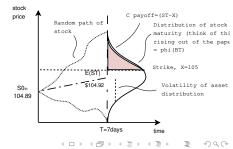
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Except now the distribution of rates is normal instead of log-normal

$$Put = e^{-rT} \cdot PV(annuity) \cdot E[(Y_T - X) | Y_T > X]$$
$$e^{-rT} \cdot \int_{Y=X}^{Y=\infty} (Y_T - X) \varphi(Y_T) dY_T$$

The density  $\varphi(Y_T)$  is a normal density This gives a formula like Black-Scholes – same picture but "Y" instead of "S" Why does this work?

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# Constant Elasticity of Variance (CEV) – Square Root

#### CEV - Constant Elasticity of Variance

 Cox, see Cox and Ross J. Financial Economics, (March 1976), Jarrow & Rudd Options

#### Underlier

- Forward par swap rate
- Stochastic process:  $dy = \alpha(r, t) \cdot dt + \sigma \cdot y^{\psi} dz$
- ullet Constant  $\psi$  between 0 and 1. Three important cases

$$\psi=0 \hspace{1cm} \psi=rac{1}{2} \hspace{1cm} \psi=1 \hspace{1cm} ext{Normal rates} \hspace{1cm} ext{Square root} \hspace{1cm} ext{Log-normal}$$

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# Constant Elasticity of Variance (CEV) – Square Root

#### Valuation

- General case involves infinite sum of incomplete gamma functions
- Special cases easier
- Normal and Log-normal mentioned above, very standard
- Square root approximation Jarrow&Rudd, p. 160. Uses Black-Scholes type formula

#### Volatility Conversions (all very approximate)

- LNP  $\leftrightarrow$  LNY:  $P_{vol} = Vol(\frac{dp}{p}) \approx Vol(\frac{y}{p}, \frac{dp}{dy}, \frac{dy}{y}) \approx \frac{y}{p}, \frac{dp}{dy}, Vol(\frac{dy}{y}) = \frac{y}{p} \cdot BPV \cdot Y_{vol}$
- SR  $\leftrightarrow$  LNY:  $SR_{vol} \approx LN_{vol} \cdot \sqrt{y \cdot df^{1/2}}$  Also see Hagan and Woodward (1998)
- NY  $\leftrightarrow$  LNY:  $N_{vol} = Vol(dy) \approx Vol\left(y\frac{dy}{y}\right) \approx y \cdot Vol\left(\frac{dy}{y}\right) = y \cdot Y_{vol}$

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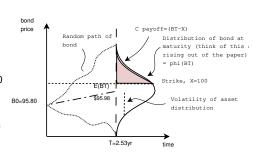
# Callable Bond – Firm can Redeem (Call) at \$100

#### Example: US Treasury

- 4.7% coupon, semi-annual Act/Act
- Maturing 1-sep-2045
- Callable at 100 starting 1-sep-2018

"Callable" means gov't can redeem for \$100

- Price today (19-feb-2016) \$95.80
- Price 1-sep-18 may be >100 or <100
- If P<100, gov't does nothing no extra profit
- If P>100, gov't can redeem (give \$100) – extra profit P-100
- Extra profit is OPTION: CF = P-100 when P>100



- What is value to investor Sep 2018?
- P<100: P<sub>nc</sub>
- P>100: P<sub>nc</sub> (P-100)
- $P_c = P_{nc} Call$

### Simple Yield-to-Maturity Doesn't Work

We want the yield for this bond: P=\$95.80 on 19-feb-16

"What is the flat yield curve y, discounting all CFs at y, to give P=95.80?"

But yield to what date?

When do we get our \$100 back?

Yield to Call: pay \$95.80 today, get \$100 soon (2.5yrs)

• Yield high (6.536%), bond more valuable

Maturity: pay \$95.80 today, get \$100 way out (29.5yrs)

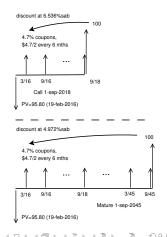
• Yield low (4.972%), bond less valuable

Common (market) convention: Yield to Worst

Take the worst (lowest yield, least valuable case)

YTW = 4.972%, but OAY (option-adjust yield) worse

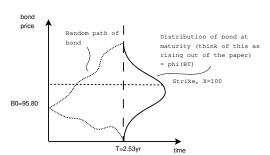
• OAY  $\approx 4.25\%$ sab



# Why is Option Adjusted Yield Lower than Yield-to-Worst??

Yield for regular bond uses full distribution:  $PV = \frac{E_Q[B_T]}{(1+rf)}$ 

- Includes both  $B_T < 100$  and  $B_T > 100$
- $PV = \frac{E_Q[B_T|B_T < 100]}{(1+rf)} + \frac{E_Q[B_T|B_T > 100]}{(1+rf)}$

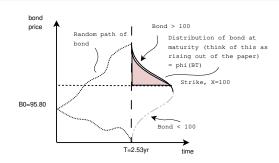


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Callable only includes upper part:



- $PV = \frac{E_Q[B_T|B_T<100]}{(1+rf)} + \frac{E_Q[100|B_T>100]}{(1+rf)}$
- High bond price, callable gets \$100
- CFs beyond Sep 2018 are uncertain not because of default but because of option

We can write callable bond as:  $P_c = P_{nc} - Call$ 

• Callable less valuable, so yield lower than non-callable

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### How to Calculate Option Adjusted Yield

We can write callable bond as:  $P_c = P_{nc} - Call$ 

- We need to write all as function of yield:  $P_c(y) = P_{nc}(y) Call(y)$
- We know how to value standard  $P_{nc}(y)$
- We just need to value Call(y)

We want to value all parts bonds at flat curve, all forwards at same yield

- Non-callable  $P_{nc}(y)$
- Forward bond:

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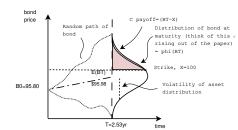
### Valuing a Callable Bond – 19-feb-2016 – Flat YtM

#### With Callable bonds, need to adjust for Option Value: $P_c = P_{nc} - Call$

- UST 4.7% semi-ann A/A, 1-sep-2045
- $B_0$  (19-feb-16) = 95.80, yld to mat = 4.972%

#### Valuation requires that we:

- Back out forward price B<sub>T</sub> (price 1-sep-18) from today's price
- Get some estimate / assumption for volatility (spread) of price distribution
- Average over CFs:  $[P 100 \mid P > 100]$
- Discount back (at risk-free UST rate)



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- Bond as of 9/2018, mature 2045,
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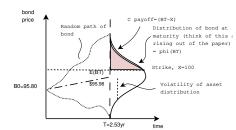
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- Bond as of 9/2018, mature 2045,
- $B_T = $95.982$

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# Black-Scholes Valuation, YtM=4.972%sab

| • Use ytm=4.9                   | 972%             |               |           | -Feb-16       | Today         | (ii empty will use    |
|---------------------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| <ul> <li>Today</li> </ul>       | 's $B_0 = 95$    | 5.80          |           |               |               | iry (if empty will us |
| ,                               | $B_T = 9$        |               |           | -Sep-18       | Date (if year | s empty)              |
| • I Ol Wal                      | u <i>b</i> † – 9 | 3.90          | 1         | -Sep-18       | Expires       |                       |
| <ul> <li>Then use 13</li> </ul> | .5% vol (re      | asonable)     |           | 95.98         | Fwd / Underl  | ier                   |
| • "Short Rate"                  | 4.01% 66.6       |               |           | 100           | Strike        |                       |
| 5 Short Nate                    | 4.91/000 (       | -4.912/0Sab)  |           | 13.5%         | Vol input     |                       |
| • Option = 5.                   | 795              |               |           | 4.91%         | Short rate (c |                       |
| • $P_c = P_{nc} -$              | Call — 0E 0      | 0 5 76 - 00   | 0.04      | 2.53          | Dividend rate | ;                     |
| $P_c = P_{nc} -$                | Caii = 95.6      | 0 - 5.70 = 90 | 7.04      | 2.53<br>95.98 | Fwd used      |                       |
|                                 |                  |               |           | 5.760         | Call          |                       |
|                                 |                  |               |           | 41.2%         | Delta         |                       |
|                                 |                  |               |           | 9.310         | Put           |                       |
|                                 | Yield            | P non-call    | P forward | Call          | P callable    |                       |
|                                 | 4.972%           | 95.80         | 95.98     | 5.76          | 90.04         |                       |

 $P_{\it callable}$  way too low, which means the assumed 4.972% yield is too high

- But we know the OAY must be lower than 4.972%
- So try another (lower) value say 4.00%sab

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### Black-Scholes Valuation, YtM=4.00%sab

19-Feb-16 Date entered (if empty will use of Use vtm=4.00% 19-Feb-16 Today Years to expiry (if empty will us • Today's  $B_0 = 112.065$ Date (if years empty) 1-Sep-18 1-Sep-18 Expires • Forward  $B_T = 111.493$ 111.493 Fwd / Underlier • Then use 13.5% vol (reasonable) 100 Strike 13.5% Vol input "Short Rate" 3.96%cc (=4.00%sab) 3.96% Short rate (cc) Dividend rate Option = 14.4032.53 111 493 Fwd used •  $P_c = P_{nc} - Call = 112.065 - 14.403 = 97.662$ 14,403 Call 66 1% Delta

| Yield  | P non-call | P forward | Call  | P callable |
|--------|------------|-----------|-------|------------|
| 4.972% | 95.80      | 95.98     | 5.795 | 90.01      |
|        |            |           |       |            |
| 4.000% | 112.06     | 111.49    | 14.40 | 97.66      |

P<sub>callable</sub> now too high, which means the assumed 4.00% yield is too low

So OAY is between 4.972% and 4.000%

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### Black-Scholes Valuation, YtM=4.00%sab

| Yield  | P non-call | P forward | Call  | P callable |
|--------|------------|-----------|-------|------------|
| 4.972% | 95.80      | 95.98     | 5.795 | 90.01      |
| 4.25%  | 107.59     | 107.26    | 11.79 | 95.80      |
| 4.000% | 112.06     | 111.49    | 14.40 | 97.66      |

 $P_{callable}$  now too high, which means the assumed 4.00% yield is too low

- So OAY is between 4.972% and 4.000%
- When use the python code "bondYieldFromPrice\_callable.py" OAY = 4.25%sab

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# Calculating Option-Adjusted Yield

Yield for standard bond: discount rate or what we earn holding to maturity

• Solve for 
$$y$$
:  $P(y) = \frac{coup}{1+y} + \cdots + \frac{100}{(1+y)^n} = P_{market}$ 

Yield for callable bond: what we earn holding to ??

- Solve for v:  $P_c(v) = P_{nc}(v) Call(v) = P_{market}$
- This is now an option-adjusted yield accounts for uncertain CFs

For callable, we earn less. Using standard ytm overstates what we earn

• Try various yields until  $P_c(y^*) = P_{nc}(y^*) - Call(y^*) = P_{market}$ 

| Yield  | P non-call | P forward | Call  | P callable |
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### Callable Bonds: Generally Bermuda Not European

European: Option exercised on only one day

American: Option can be exercised any day (after first day)

Bermuda: Part-way between (like Bermuda): exercised on specific days

• Bond options callable on coupon dates

For stock options, early exercise of American (before final option date) usually not worth anything

- My first job in finance one of the first banks to figure out extra value of Bermuda options – made some nice money
- For bond options always want to exercise before final maturity

Why early exercise (Bermuda) worth more than European for bond options?

- Stocks never mature. Holding for another day, chance it will go up
  - · Generally want to hold, hoping price goes up
  - But bonds mature. Eventually price pulled back to \$100,
    - Eventually, holding longer means price pulled down so exercise early

Computationally difficult problem

### Idea For Callable Bonds: Two Exercise Dates

Bermuda: Part-way between (like Bermuda): exercised on specific days

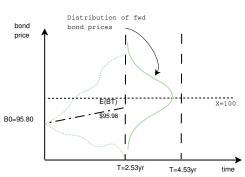
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Idea: two exercise dates

- First call date
- A later date (when rising vol and falling duration offset)

At first call date

 Bond prices up or down, generates distribution of prices



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#### Idea For Callable Bonds: Two Exercise Dates

Bermuda: Part-way between (like Bermuda): exercised on specific days

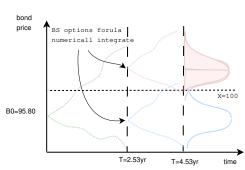
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At first call, calculate BS option for *each* bond price

Many options to second call date

Numerical integration of BS options

- Will require writing C-code, calling from python
- Python and SciPy have interface to C-functions



#### Risk-Neutral Valuation, Options, Callable Bonds

Option-Adjusted Yield for Risky Bond

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### But Problem – How to Calculate Forward Price?

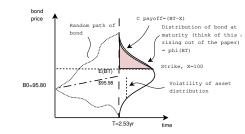
BAC 4.7% ann 30/360 bond 1-sep-2045:  $P_{market} = P_c = P_{nc} - Call$ 

- Value non-callable bond at risk-adjusted yield  $y^*$ , Call at risk-free rate rf
- We need to solve for  $y^*$  that solves  $P_{market} = P_c(y^*) = P_{nc}(y^*) Call\left(P_{forward}(rf)\right)$
- Options are always priced with the risk-adjusted distribution:
  - Adjust distribution until PV discounted at risk-free rate: PV = EPV(rf)
- But above we used  $P_{market} = P_c(y^*) = P_{nc}(y^*) Call(P_{forward}(y^*))$

Start with guess  $y^* = 4.972$ 

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$$B_0 = P_c = 95.80 \text{ (19-feb-16)}$$

- NC to 1-sep-45: If  $yld = 4.972 \Rightarrow P_{nc} = 95.80$
- Fwd Wrong: (1-sep-18)  $yld = 4.972 \Rightarrow B_T = 96.005$
- Right: Solve for  $B_T$  so, discounting at rf=2.61%,  $P_{nc}(y=2.61\%, B_T)=95.80$ 
  - Solution  $B_T = 90.132$
- Call = 3.865, P<sub>c</sub> = 91.935, price low, yield high



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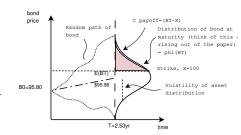
### But Problem – How to Calculate Forward Price?

BAC 4.7% ann 30/360 bond 1-sep-2045:  $P_{market} = P_c = P_{nc} - C_{all}$ 

- Value non-callable bond at risk-adjusted yield  $y^*$ , Call at risk-free rate rf
- We need to solve for  $y^*$  that solves  $P_{market} = P_c(y^*) = P_{nc}(y^*) Call\left(P_{forward}(rf)\right)$
- Options are always priced with the risk-adjusted distribution:
  - Adjust distribution until PV discounted at risk-free rate: PV = EPV(rf)
- But above we used  $P_{market} = P_c(y^*) = P_{nc}(y^*) Call (P_{forward}(y^*))$

Another guess: 4.50%

- NC to 1-sep-45: If  $yld = 4.50 \Rightarrow P_{nc} = 103.207$
- Fwd Wrong: (1-sep-18)  $yld = 4.50 \Rightarrow B_T = 103.090$
- Right: Solve for  $B_T$  so, discounting at rf=2.61%,  $P_{nc}(y=2.61\%, B_T)=103.207$ 
  - Solution  $B_T = 98.038$
- Call = 7.050,  $P_c = 96.157$ , almost right



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# More on Wrong Forward Price vs Right Forward Price

#### WRONG

| Yield  | P non-call | P forward | Fwd Yld (ab) | Call  | P callable | Spread |
|--------|------------|-----------|--------------|-------|------------|--------|
| 4.970% | 95.80      | 96.005    | 4.970%       | 5.779 | 90.02      | 236bp  |
| 4.500% | 103.207    | 103.090   | 4.500%       | 9.230 | 93.977     | 189bp  |

#### RIGHT

| Yield  | P non-   | Forward | Fwd Yld | Call   | Р        | Sprd to |
|--------|----------|---------|---------|--------|----------|---------|
| (ab)   | callable | Bond    | (ab)    | Option | callable | UST     |
| 4.972% | 95.800   | 90.132  | 5.403%  | 3.865  | 91.935   | 236bp   |
| 4.500% | 103.207  | 98.038  | 4.832%  | 7.050  | 96.157   | 189bp   |

Option Pricing For BAC bond using risk-free rate of 2.61% ab to calculate forward price Very close to the more exact Bloomberg calculations

### Bloomberg: OAS = 186.9bp



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### Option-Adjusted Yield Gives Risk Premium

- We have again used the market to back out the risk premium
- Yield-to-Maturity = 4.972%ab, spread = 236bp
- Yield-to-Call = 6.536%, spread = 393bp
- Option-Adjusted-Yield (Bloomberg) = 4.48%ab, spread = 187bp
- Actual yield is lower than either yield-to-maturity or yield-to-call
  - Always earn less
  - If price high, company calls and can't enjoy high price
  - If price low, company doesn't call and forced to take low price
- Callable yield always less the Yield-to-Worst

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