

Tutorial 11.

Preliminary:

① Term structure. t -year

The yield to maturity on a zero coupon bond is called the spot rate of interest $S_0(t)$.

The set $\{S_0(t)\}_{t>0}$ is the term structure of interest rate.

② Relationship between spot rates and yield to maturity

If the face amount of the bond is FV , coupon rate is v , yield to maturity y_v has

$$P = FV [(1+y_v)^{-1} + \dots + (1+y_v)^{-k}] + (F+FV)(1+y_v)^{-(k+1)}$$

$$= FV [(1+S_0(1))^{-1} + (1+S_0(2))^{-2} + \dots + (1+S_0(k))^{-k}] + (F+FV)(1+S_0(k+1))^{-(k+1)}$$

③ Forward rate: Given the term structure at time t , then $n-1$ year forward, one-year rate from $n-1$ to n ,

$$1 + {}_t f_{(n-1, n)} = \frac{(1+S_0(n))^n}{(1+S_0(n-1))^{n-1}} - 1$$

Exercise:

6.1.4.

$$(a) \quad P = FV \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n (1+S_0(k))^{-k} + F(1+S_0(n))^{-n}$$

Bond 1: $v = \frac{4\%}{2} = 2\%$, $P = 85.12$, then

$$85.12 = 0.02 \times 100 \sum_{k=1}^{20} (1+S_0(k))^{-k} + 100(1+S_0(20))^{-20} \dots \textcircled{1}$$

Bond 2: $v = \frac{10\%}{2} = 5\%$, $P = 133.34$, then

$$133.34 = 0.05 \times 100 \sum_{k=1}^{20} (1+S_0(k))^{-k} + 100(1+S_0(20))^{-20} \dots \textcircled{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow S_0(20) = 0.0323$$

Yield rate (0-year zero coupon bond) is $2 \times S_0(20) = 0.0646$.

(b) Assume $F=1$, then

$$P = Y \sum_{k=1}^n (1+S_0(k))^{-k} + (1+S_0(n))^{-n}$$

For yield j ,

$$P = (1+j)^{-n} + Y \sum_{k=1}^n (1+j)^{-k}$$

Set a function $f(x) = (1+x)^{-n} + Y \sum_{k=1}^n (1+x)^{-k}$ which is monotonically decreasing with x .

Since $S_0(1) = S_0(2) = \dots = S_0(n-1) < S_0(n)$, then $P = Y \sum_{k=1}^n (1+S_0(k))^{-k} + (1+S_0(n))^{-n} < Y \sum_{k=1}^n (1+S_0(n))^{-k} + (1+S_0(n))^{-n}$

$$f(S_0(n-1)) > P = f(j) > f(S_0(n)) \Rightarrow S_0(n-1) < j < S_0(n)$$

6.1.5.

For 1/2 year : $S_0(1) = 0.05$ because $P = \frac{4\%/2}{1+0.05} + \frac{4\%/2}{1+0.05}$

For 1 year : $P = \frac{6\%/2}{1+0.10} + \frac{4\%/2}{(1+0.10)^2} = \frac{6\%/2}{1+S_0(1)} + \frac{4\%/2}{(1+S_0(1))^2}$

$$\Rightarrow S_0(2) = 0.1008$$

For 1 1/2 year : $P = \frac{4\%/2}{1+0.15} + \frac{4\%/2}{(1+0.15)^2} + \frac{4\%/2+1}{(1+0.15)^3} = \frac{4\%/2}{1+S_0(2)} + \frac{4\%/2}{(1+S_0(2))^2} + \frac{4\%/2+1}{(1+S_0(2))^3}$

$$\Rightarrow S_0(3) = 0.15151$$

For 2 year : $P = \frac{8\%/2}{1+0.15} + \dots + \frac{8\%/2+1}{(1+0.15)^4} = \frac{8\%/2}{(1+S_0(3))} + \frac{8\%/2}{(1+S_0(3))^2} + \frac{8\%/2}{(1+S_0(3))^3} + \frac{1+8\%/2}{(1+S_0(3))^4}$

$$\Rightarrow S_0(4) = 0.15239$$

Hence, the term structure set $\{S_0(1), S_0(2), S_0(3), S_0(4)\} = \{0.05, 0.1008, 0.15151, 0.15239\}$.

6.4.4.

(a) $S_0(1) = \frac{8\%}{2} = 0.04$, $S_0(2) = \frac{10\%}{2} = 0.05$, $S_0(3) = \frac{x\%}{2}$, $j = \frac{11\%}{2} = 0.055$, $v = \frac{10\%}{2} = 0.05$.

$$P = 1.05 \times (1+S_0(3))^{-3} + 0.05 \times [(1+S_0(1))^{-1} + (1+S_0(2))^{-2}] = 1.05 \times (1+j)^{-3} + 0.05 \times [(1+v)^{-1} + (1+v)^{-2}]$$

$$\Rightarrow x\% = 11.09\% = S_0(3)$$

(b) $i_0(2,3) = \frac{(1+S_0(3))^3}{(1+S_0(2))^2} - 1 = \frac{(1+\frac{x\%}{2})^3}{(1+0.05)^2} - 1 = 0.11 \Rightarrow x\% = 10.33\%$

(c) 0.9615 1 1

set 1.06 0 1 1

profit = 0.01 1/2 1

0: sell a 6-month bond get $\frac{1}{1.04} = 0.9615$.

buy a 1-year bond

1/2: borrow 1 with interest rate 10%.

1: get $0.9615 \times (1+\frac{10\%}{2})^2 = 1.06$ from bond, pay back $1 + \frac{0.1}{2} = 1.05$.