

Problem Set 2

Corporate Finance, Sections 001 and 002

Due Thursday, February 5th

Suggested problems:

RWJ Problems 5.5, 5.6, 5.8, 5.10

(use revised problems on <http://finance.wharton.upenn.edu/~jwachter/fnce100>)

Required problems:

1. Suppose you bought a five-year zero-coupon Treasury bond for \$800 per \$1000 face value.
 - (a) What is the yield to maturity (annual compounding) on the bond?
 - (b) Assume the yield to maturity on the three-year zero-coupon bond is the same as the yield to maturity on the five-year bond. What is the price of the three-year bond?
2.
 - (a) Suppose that you have purchased a 3-year zero-coupon bond with face value of \$1000 and a price of \$850. If you hold the bond to maturity, what is your annual return?
 - (b) Now suppose you have purchased a 3-year bond with face value of \$1000, a 7% annual coupon, and a price of \$975. Is the yield to maturity greater or less than the annual return you computed for the bond in part (a)?
3. Suppose you bought a five-year zero-coupon Treasury bond for \$800 per \$1000 face value. Answer the following questions:
 - (a) What is the yield to maturity (annual compounding) on the bond?
 - (b) Assume the yield to maturity on comparable bonds increases to 7% after you purchase the bond and remains there. Calculate your holding period return (annual return) if you sell the bond after one year.
 - (c) Assuming yields to maturity on comparable bonds remain at 7%, calculate your holding period return if you sell the bond after two years.
 - (d) Suppose after 3 years, the yield to maturity on comparable bonds declines to 3%. Calculate the holding period return if you sell the bond at that time.
 - (e) If the yield remains at 3%, calculate your holding period after four years.
 - (f) After five years.
 - (g) What explains the relationship between holding period returns calculated in (b) through (f) and the yield to maturity in (a)?

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4. For each of the bonds and reinvestment rates listed below calculate the amount of money accumulated at the end from a \$1000 initial investment. Assume annual compounding.
- (a) Invest \$1000 in a 5-year zero coupon bond with a yield to maturity of 9 percent.
 - (b) Buy a 5-year 9% annual coupon bond at par (\$1000) and reinvest the annual coupons at 9%.
 - (c) Same as (b) but reinvest the annual coupons at 12%.
 - (d) Same as (b) but reinvest the annual coupons at 6%.
 - (e) For (a) through (d) calculate the holding period return. What can you conclude about the relationship between yield to maturity and holding period return?