

# **SPECIMEN EXAMINATION PAPER**

## **MEMORANDUM**

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**Subject A211 — Financial Mathematics**

## QUESTION 1

$$1500 * (1 + 0.05 * (2.5) * 2) * \left(1 - \frac{0.16}{4}\right)^{-n} = 2495.18$$

$$n = 7 \Rightarrow 21 \text{ months}$$

## QUESTION 2

Payments from  $t=2$  to  $t=6$ , accumulated to  $t=6$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \int_2^6 e^{-0.02t} * e^{\int_t^6 0.06ds} dt &= \int_2^6 e^{-0.02t} * e^{0.06(6)} * e^{-0.06t} dt \\ &= e^{0.36} \int_2^6 e^{-0.08t} dt = e^{0.36} \left[ \frac{e^{-0.08t}}{-0.08} \right]_2^6 = 4.181029018 \end{aligned}$$

Accumulate to  $t=12$

$$\begin{aligned} 4.181029018 * \exp \int_6^{12} (0.05 + 0.0002t^2) dt &= 4.181029018 * \exp \left[ 0.05t + \frac{0.0002t^3}{3} \right]_6^{12} \\ &= 6.24 \end{aligned}$$

## QUESTION 3

$$21.5 = 1.1 \left(\frac{92}{96}\right) v^{\frac{2}{12}} + \left(\frac{103}{93}\right) \left(\frac{92}{104}\right) v^{1\frac{2}{12}} + 32 \left(\frac{92}{108}\right) v^{1\frac{4}{12}}$$

Sub  $r=27.8\%$  into RHS of equation and show that  $LHS \approx RHS$

## QUESTION 4

i.  $y_1 = f_{0,1} = 0.04$

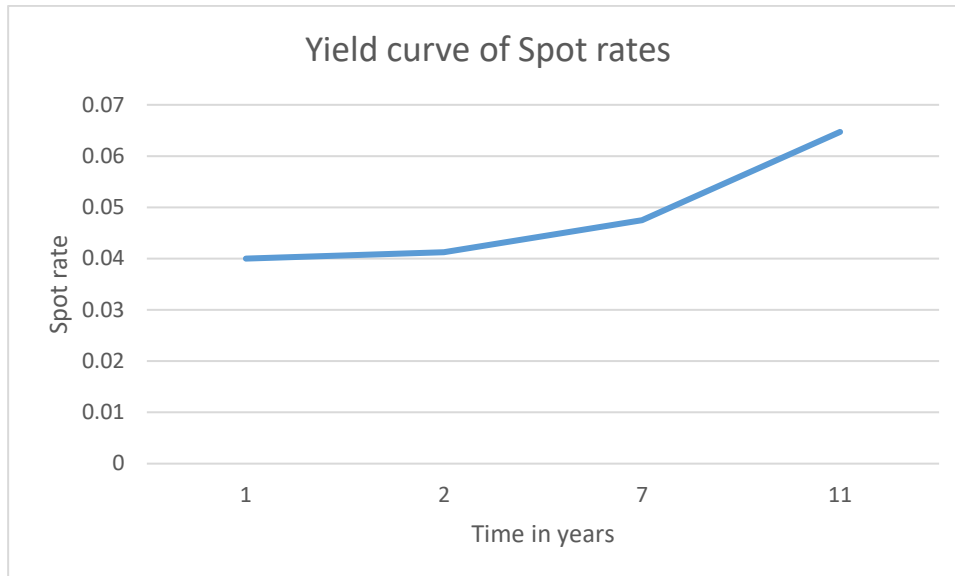
$$(1 + y_1) * (1 + f_{1,1}) = (1 + y_2)^2 \Rightarrow y_2 = 0.041249259$$

$$(1 + y_2)^2 * (1 + f_{2,5})^5 = (1 + y_7)^7 \Rightarrow y_7 = 0.047492308$$

$$(1 + y_2)^2 * (1 + f_{2,9})^9 = (1 + y_{11})^{11} \Rightarrow y_{11} = 0.064714176$$

$y_1$	1	0.04
$y_2$	2	0.041249259
$y_7$	3	0.047492308
$y_{11}$	4	0.064714176

ii.



iii. Expectations theory.

The yield curve is upward sloping. This may be due to an expectation of a rise in future short-term interest rates. This expectation pushes up the demand for and thus price of short-term securities, resulting in lower yield for short-term securities.

Liquidity preference theory.

The upward sloping yield curve may be due to the risk-premium required by investors to hold longer dated securities. This pushes the yield of long-term securities upward.

## QUESTION 5

A model is described as stochastic if it allows for the random variation in at least one input variable.

- Often the output from a stochastic model is in the form of many simulated possible outcomes of a process, so distributions can be studied.
- Sometimes stochastic models have analytical/closed form solutions, such that simulation is not required, but they are still stochastic as they allow for factors to be random variables.
- If a stochastic model is sufficiently tractable, it may be possible to derive the results one wishes by analytical methods.

A deterministic model can be thought of as a special case of a stochastic model where only a single outcome from the underlying random processes is considered.

- The results for a deterministic model can often be obtained by direct calculation, but sometimes it is necessary to use numerical approximations, either to integrate functions or to solve differential equations.

## QUESTION 6

### i. Advantages

- Complex systems cannot be properly described by mathematical models. Simulation modelling is a way to study the operation of a complex system in reduced time.
- The act of building the model creates insights into the problem
- Different future strategies or actions can be compared to see what best suit the requirements of the user
- Can control the experimental conditions
- More cost effective compared to implementing experimental solutions in practice

### Disadvantages

- Model development requires investment of time and expertise
- In a stochastic model, for any given set of inputs each run gives only estimates of a model's outputs. So to study the outputs for any given set of inputs, several independent runs of the model are needed.
- As a general rule, models are more useful for comparing the results of input variations than for optimising outputs
- Models can look impressive when run on a computer so that there is a danger that one gets lulled into a false sense of confidence.
- Models rely heavily on the data input.
- There is a danger of using a model as a "black box" from which it is assumed that all results are valid
- It is not possible to include all future events in a model.
- It may be difficult to interpret some of the outputs of the model.

### ii. Communication should take into account

- Knowledge of the target audience
  - Language & detail provided should be appropriate
- Viewpoint of the target audience
- Client should accept the model as valid & useful
- Limitations of use are appreciated

## QUESTION 7

i.  $3000a_{\overline{20}|} - 25(Ia)_{\overline{20}|} = 28\,499.87$  @ 7.5%

ii. Loan outstanding @  $t=7$ :  $2825a_{\overline{13}|} - 25(Ia)_{\overline{13}|} = 21\,736.17$  @ 7.5%

Interest content:  $21\,736.17 * 0.075 = 1\,630.21$

Capital content:  $2\,800 - 1\,630.21 = 1\,169.79$

## QUESTION 8

$$i^{(2)} = 0.054263858 \quad \frac{0.0625}{1.02}(1-1.02) = 0.049019608$$

$$i^{(2)} > g(1-t_1) \Rightarrow \text{Capital gain, redeem as late as possible, } n = 10 \frac{3}{4}$$

$$P = v_i^{0.25}(0.8)(6.25)\ddot{a}_{\overline{10}|}^{(2)} + 102v_i^{10.75} - 0.2[102 - P]v_i^{10.75}$$

$P = 98.5384684$  thus  $P = 98.54$

### QUESTION 9

Let  $x$  be the redemption amount for the 5 year bond and  $y$  be the redemption amount for the 20 year bond. Then

$$PV(L) = 60000a_{\overline{9}|} + 750000v^{10} = 772\,176 @ i = 7\%$$

$$PV(A) = xv^5 + yv^{20} @ i = 7\%$$

$$DMT(L) = \frac{60000(Ia)_{\overline{9}|} + 10 * 750000v^{10}}{60000a_{\overline{9}|} + 750000v^{10}} = 7.24182 @ i = 7\%$$

$$\frac{DMT(L)}{(1+i)} = vol_L = 6.768056$$

$$PV'_A = -5x(1+i)^{-6} - 20y(1+i)^{-21} @ i = 7\%$$

$$\Rightarrow Vol_A = \frac{5xv^6 + 20yv^{21}}{xv^5 + yv^{20}} = 6.76806$$

$$xv^5 + yv^{20} = 772176$$

$$5xv^6 + 20yv^{21} = 6.76806 * 772176$$

Solving, give  $xv^5 = 656\,770.48$  and  $yv^{20} = 115\,405.52$

$x = 468\,268.27$  and  $y = 29\,822.98$

### QUESTION 10

$$i. \quad \left(1 - \frac{d^{(p)}}{p}\right)^p = v = \left(1 + \frac{i^{(m)}}{m}\right)^{-m} \Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{d^{(p)}}{p}\right)^p = \left(1 + \frac{i^{(m)}}{m}\right)^{-m}$$

$$d^{(p)} = p \left\{ 1 - \left(1 + \frac{i^{(m)}}{m}\right)^{-\frac{m}{p}} \right\}$$

$$ii. \quad d^{(m)} = m \left\{ 1 - \left(1 + \frac{i^{(m)}}{m}\right)^{-\frac{m}{m}} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{d^{(m)}}{m} = 1 - \left(1 + \frac{i^{(m)}}{m}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\frac{d^{(m)}}{m} = 1 - \left( \frac{1}{1 + \frac{i^{(m)}}{m}} \right) = \frac{\frac{i^{(m)}}{m}}{1 + \frac{i^{(m)}}{m}} \Rightarrow d^{(m)} = \frac{mi^{(m)}}{m + i^{(m)}}$$

$$\frac{1}{d^{(m)}} - \frac{1}{i^{(m)}} = \left[ \frac{mi^{(m)}}{m + i^{(m)}} \right]^{-1} - \frac{1}{i^{(m)}} = \frac{m + i^{(m)}}{mi^{(m)}} - \frac{1}{i^{(m)}} = \frac{m + i^{(m)} - m}{mi^{(m)}} = \frac{i^{(m)}}{mi^{(m)}} = \frac{1}{m}$$



## QUESTION 11

i. PV of outgo (work in '000 000)

$$1.5\bar{a}_{\overline{3}|} + 0.3v^3\ddot{a}_{\overline{12}|}^{(4)} + v^3(1 + 1.05v + 1.05^2v^2 + \dots + 1.05^{11}v^{11}) \quad @ 9\%$$

$$\frac{1.05}{1.09} = \frac{1}{1+j} \Rightarrow j = 3.809523\%$$

$$= 1.5\bar{a}_{\overline{3}|} + 0.3v^3\ddot{a}_{\overline{12}|}^{(4)} + v^3\ddot{a}_{\overline{12}|j\%} = 13.3234$$

PV of income(work in '000 000)

$$\bar{a}_{\overline{3}|}v^3 + 1.9\bar{a}_{\overline{3}|}v^6 + 2.5\bar{a}_{\overline{6}|}v^9 + 8v^{15} \quad @ 9\% = 12.6252$$

$$\text{NPV}(@9\%) = 12.6252 - 13.3234 = -0.69823 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{IRR} < 9\%$$

ii. Calculate NPV for only 12 years @7% p.a

PV of outgo(work in '000 000):

$$1.5\bar{a}_{\overline{3}|} + 0.3v^3\ddot{a}_{\overline{12}|}^{(4)} + v^3(1 + 1.05v + 1.05^2v^2 + \dots + 1.05^8v^8) \quad @ 7\%$$

$$\frac{1.05}{1.07} = \frac{1}{1+j} \Rightarrow j = 1.904761\%$$

$$= 1.5\bar{a}_{\overline{3}|} + 0.3v^3\ddot{a}_{\overline{12}|}^{(4)} + v^3\ddot{a}_{\overline{9}|j\%} = 12.5581$$

PV of income(work in '000 000)

$$\bar{a}_{\overline{3}|}v^3 + 1.9\bar{a}_{\overline{3}|}v^6 + 2.5\bar{a}_{\overline{3}|}v^9 \quad @ 7\% = 9.34598$$

$$\text{NPV}(@7\%) = 9.34598 - 12.5581 = -3.21212 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{DPP} > 12$$