

1. Do Problem 8.14 in Chapter 8 in the text book.
2. Consider the following prices for lumber futures. Assume the annualized continuously compounded risk free rate is 2.1%. The prices are for 1000 board feet.

Delivery Date	Futures Price
Nov-01	218.5
Jan-02	232.8
Mar-02	244.7
May-02	250.1

Suppose a builder would like to lock in a purchase price for lumber in November, January, March and May. What would the swap price be? (Assume the November delivery date is 1 month from now.)

Solutions

8.14 The fixed interest rate on the swap is given by:

$$\frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (100 - F_{0,t,t+1})P_{0,t}}{100 \sum_{t=1}^n P_{0,t}} = r_{\text{FIXED}}$$

Using the zero prices given in the problem we get:

EIGHT PERIOD SWAP PRICE

t	P _{0t}	r _{0t} (annualized)	F _{0,t,t+1}	(100-F _{0,t,t+1})*P _{0t}
0	1.0000			
1	0.9852	1.0615	98.5200	1.4581
2	0.9701	1.0626	98.4673	1.4869
3	0.9546	1.0639	98.4022	1.5252
4	0.9388	1.0652	98.3449	1.5538
5	0.9231	1.0661	98.3277	1.5437
6	0.9075	1.0668	98.3100	1.5336
7	0.8919	1.0676	98.2810	1.5332
8	0.8763	1.0683	98.2509	1.5327
Sum	7.4475			12.1673
r _{fixed}	0.0163			

FOUR QUARTER SWAP PRICE

t	P _{0t}	r _{0t} (annualized)	F _{0,t,t+1}	(100-F _{0,t,t+1})*P _{0t}
0	1.0000			
1	0.9852	1.0615	98.5200	1.4581
2	0.9701	1.0626	98.4673	1.4869
3	0.9546	1.0639	98.4022	1.5252
4	0.9388	1.0652	98.3449	1.5538
Sum	3.8487			6.0240
r _{fixed}	0.0157			

2. The swap payment is the payment which equates the PV of the futures to the present value of the swap payments, i.e., $3.9693 \cdot C = 938.6556 \implies C = 236.48$

Jan	232.8	0.9949	231.6059
Mar	244.7	0.9915	242.6117
May	250.1	0.9881	247.1170
	Total	3.9727	939.4604
		236.4793	