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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This study examines the term structure of interest rates and bond valuation, key concepts for navigating the fixed income securities markets. The term structure of interest rates using yield curves describes the relationship between bond yields and maturities, reflecting current interest rate conditions and market expectations. Bond valuation, on the other hand, determines the fair market price of the bond by discounting its future cash flows at an appropriate interest rate derived from the term structure.

The purpose of the research is to address the complexity of bond value and interest rate dynamics by analyzing the relationship between maturity and bond yields using various term structure theories such as the expectations hypothesis. In addition, it evaluates the accuracy of various bond pricing models, including duration analysis, in forecasting bond prices. This analysis is based on 2014-2024. annual data on ten bonds from different sectors and redemption periods. They provide insight into the impact of economic events, monetary policy decisions and market conditions on bond valuations.

Empirical methods used include regression analysis, correlation coefficient estimation and descriptive analysis to quantify the relationship between key bond variables such as coupon rate, maturity and yield (YTM). These statistical tools increase understanding of how interest rate movements affect bond prices and the effectiveness of different pricing models.

The findings underscore the importance of the term structure of interest rates in bond valuations and highlight its role in reflecting market sentiment and the economic outlook. Changes in the yield curve, which indicate changes in interest rate expectations, directly affect the value of bonds, making this study important for investors, policy makers and financial analysts. Understanding these dynamics helps you make informed investment decisions, manage interest rate risk and develop sustainable investment strategies.

Overall, this study contributes to financial theory and practice by providing a comprehensive analysis of bond valuation and the term structure of interest rates. This underscores the need for accurate pricing models and constant

monitoring of market dynamics to effectively navigate the complexities of the bond market.