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The banks' role in the economy

The “Banks”



Deutsche Bank 

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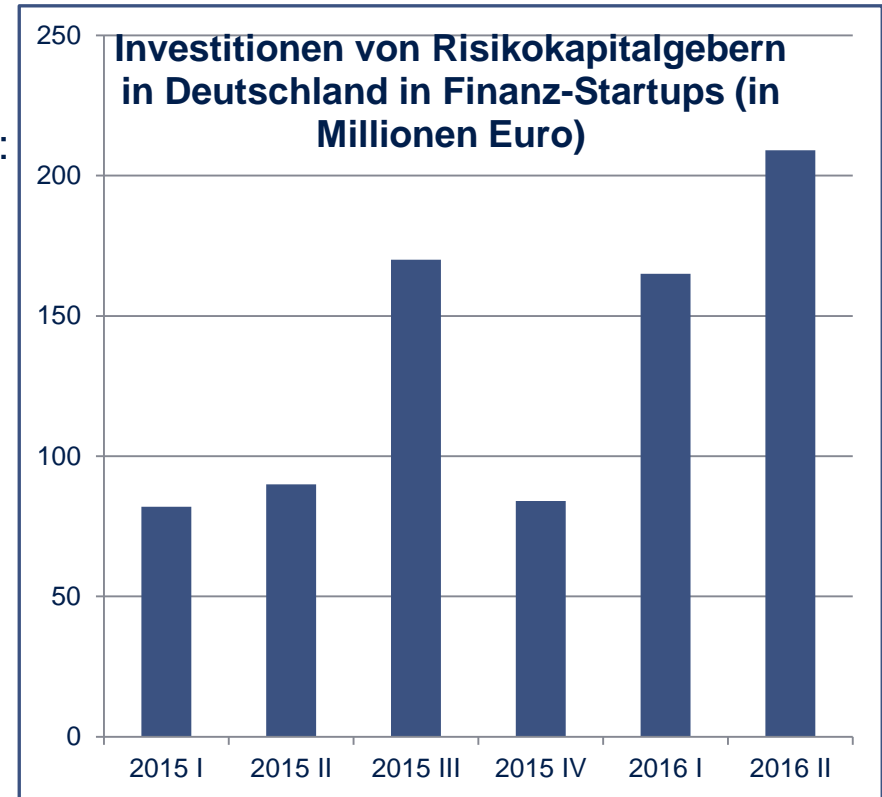


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New players – Fintechs try to disrupt the banking industry

New opportunities arise from disrupting old and inefficient processes in the banking business:

- » Use of Blockchain technologies contemplated in:
 - › Money (Bitcoin etc.)
 - › Stock exchange
 - › Account management
 - › Interbanking transactions
 - › Title register...
- » Brokerage of fix rate invest in foreign countries
- » Assistance in changing the bank-account
- » Support of collection services
- » Credit rating with the help of user profiles/social network data (currently not legal in Germany)
- » First Fintechs in Germany are in possession of a bank licence
- » Established banks take notice → Cooperation with or acquisition of Fintechs



Digitalization of the banking business is a trend for years to come

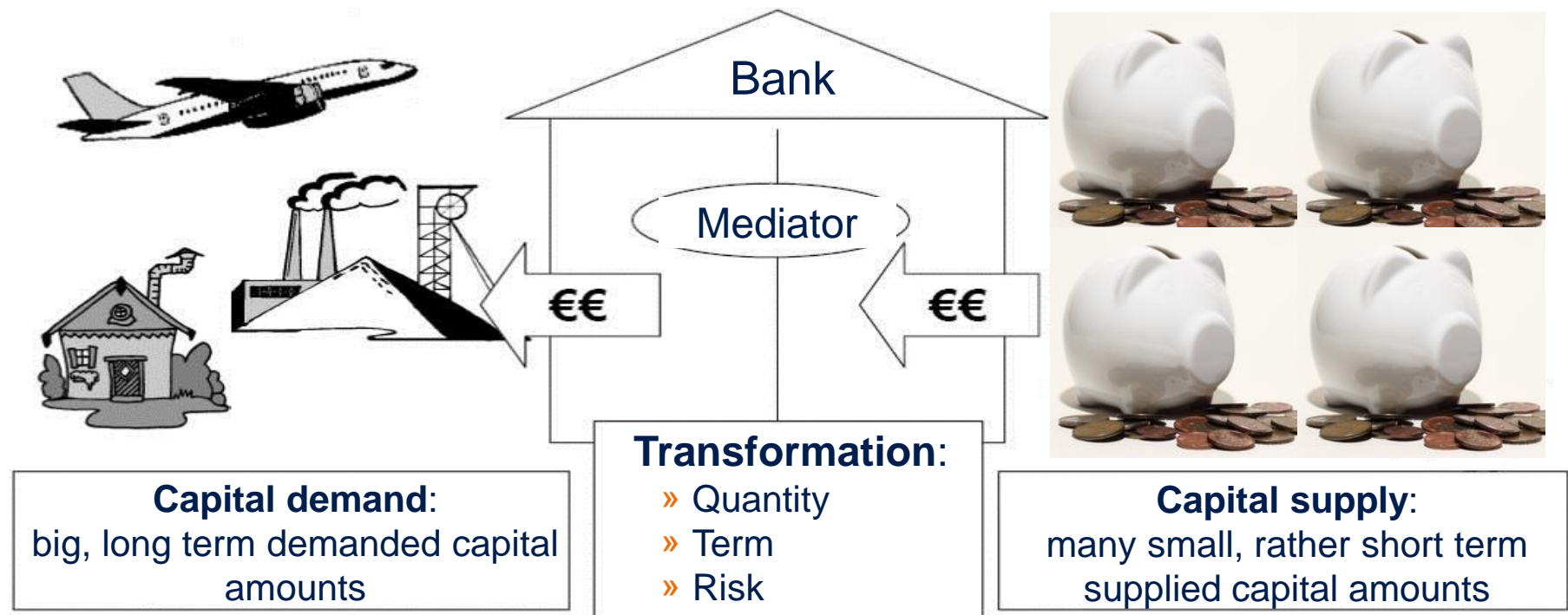
Banking landscape in Germany

Universalbanken (1.635)				
three pillars	266	Kreditbanken	4 Großbanken	
			155 Regionalbanken und sonstige Kreditbanken	
			107 Zweigstellen ausländischer Banken	
	963	Genossenschaftliche Kreditinstitute	963	Kreditgenossenschaften
	406	Öffentlich-rechtliche Kreditinstitute	397	Sparkassen
9			Landesbanken	

Spezialbanken (54)	
20	Bausparkassen
14	Realkreditinstitute
20	Banken mit Sonderaufgaben

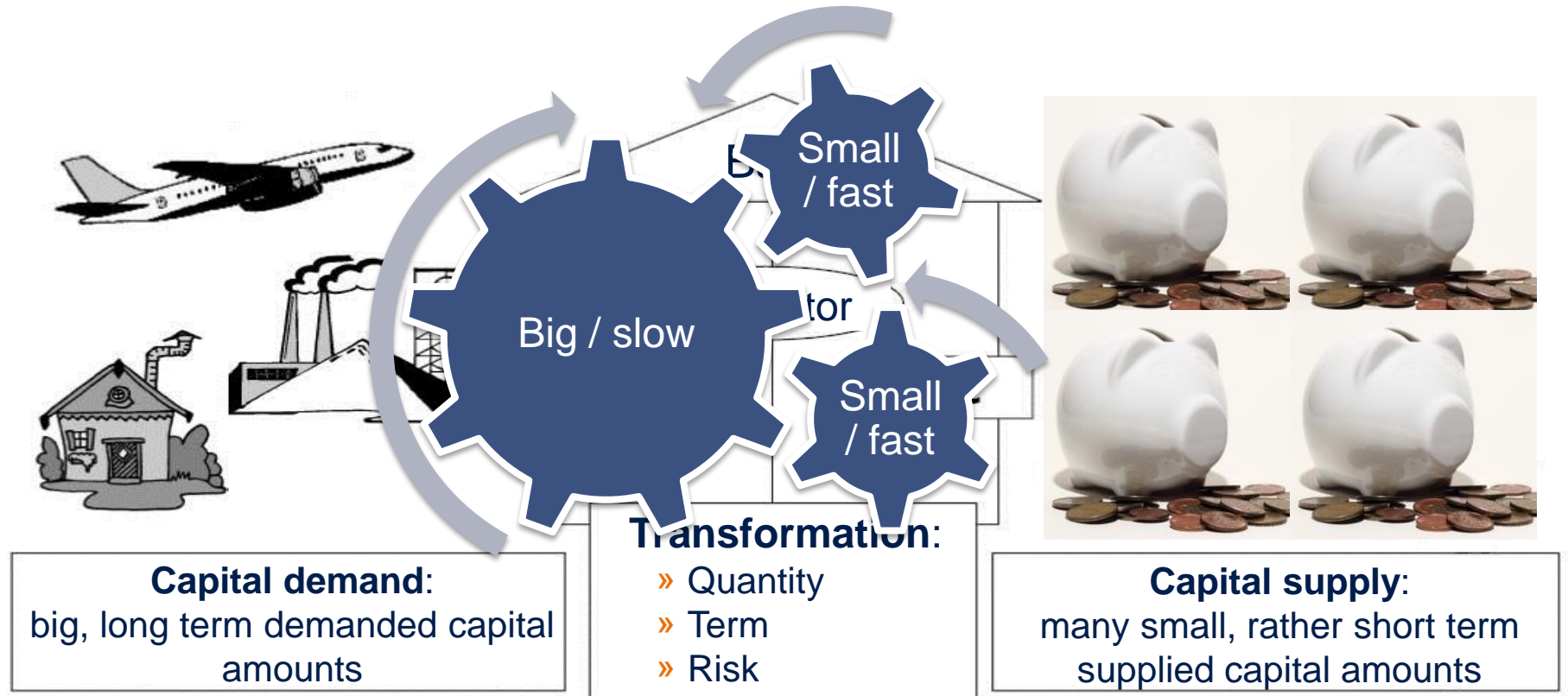
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The banks' role – Transforming money



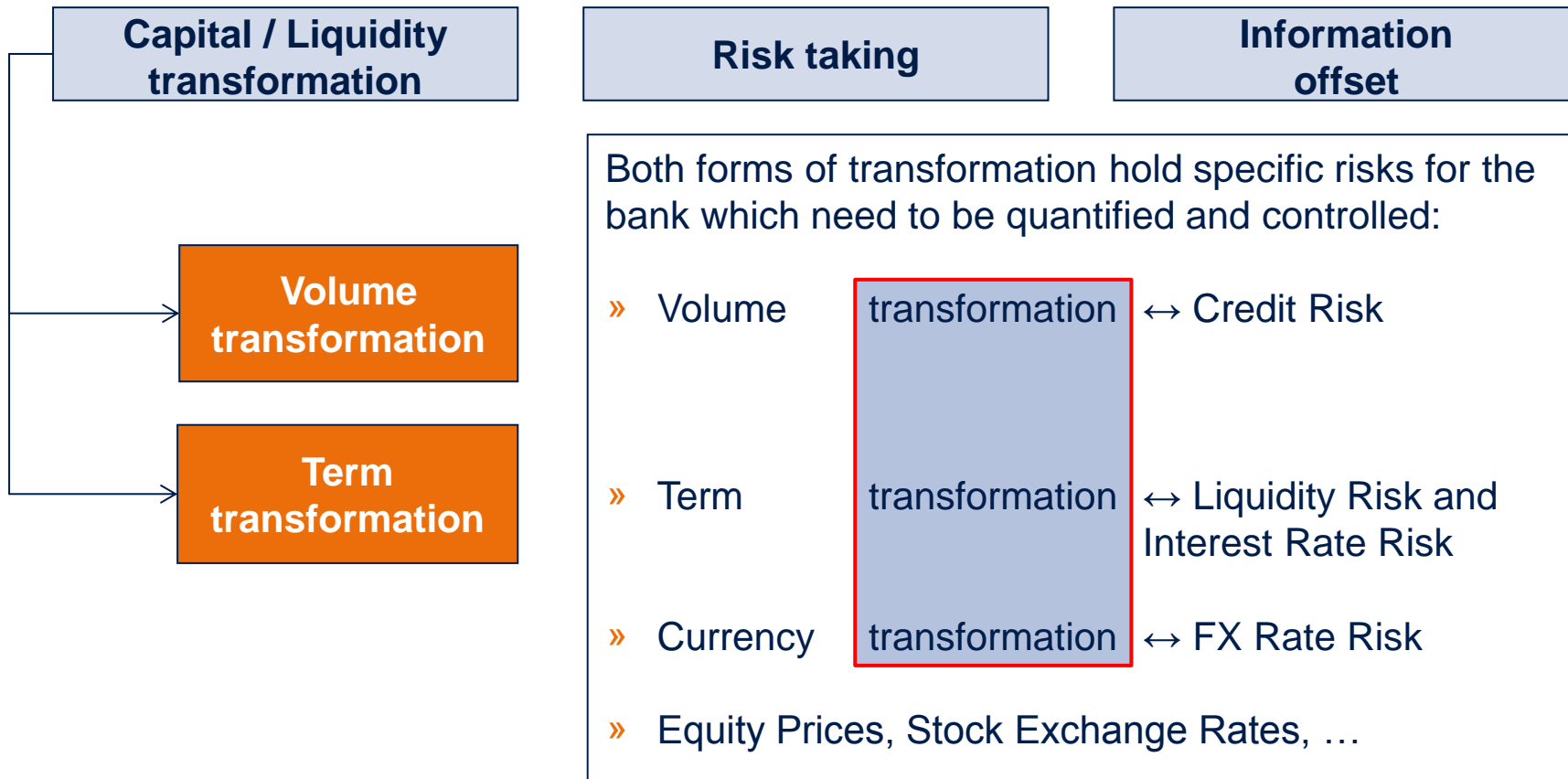
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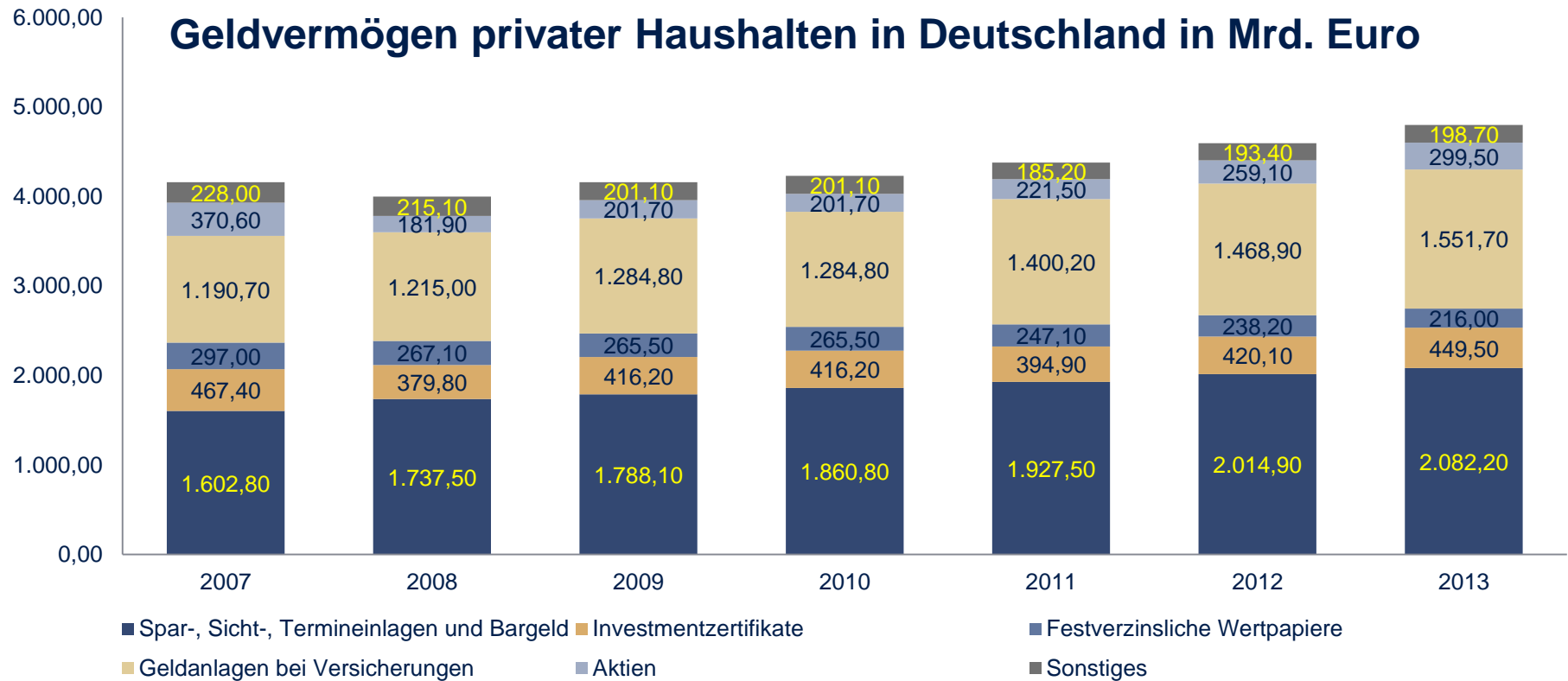
Traditional tasks of a bank



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German saving behaviour

- » Germans still invest the largest part of their capital in savings- / sight- / term-deposits and cash, as well as insurances



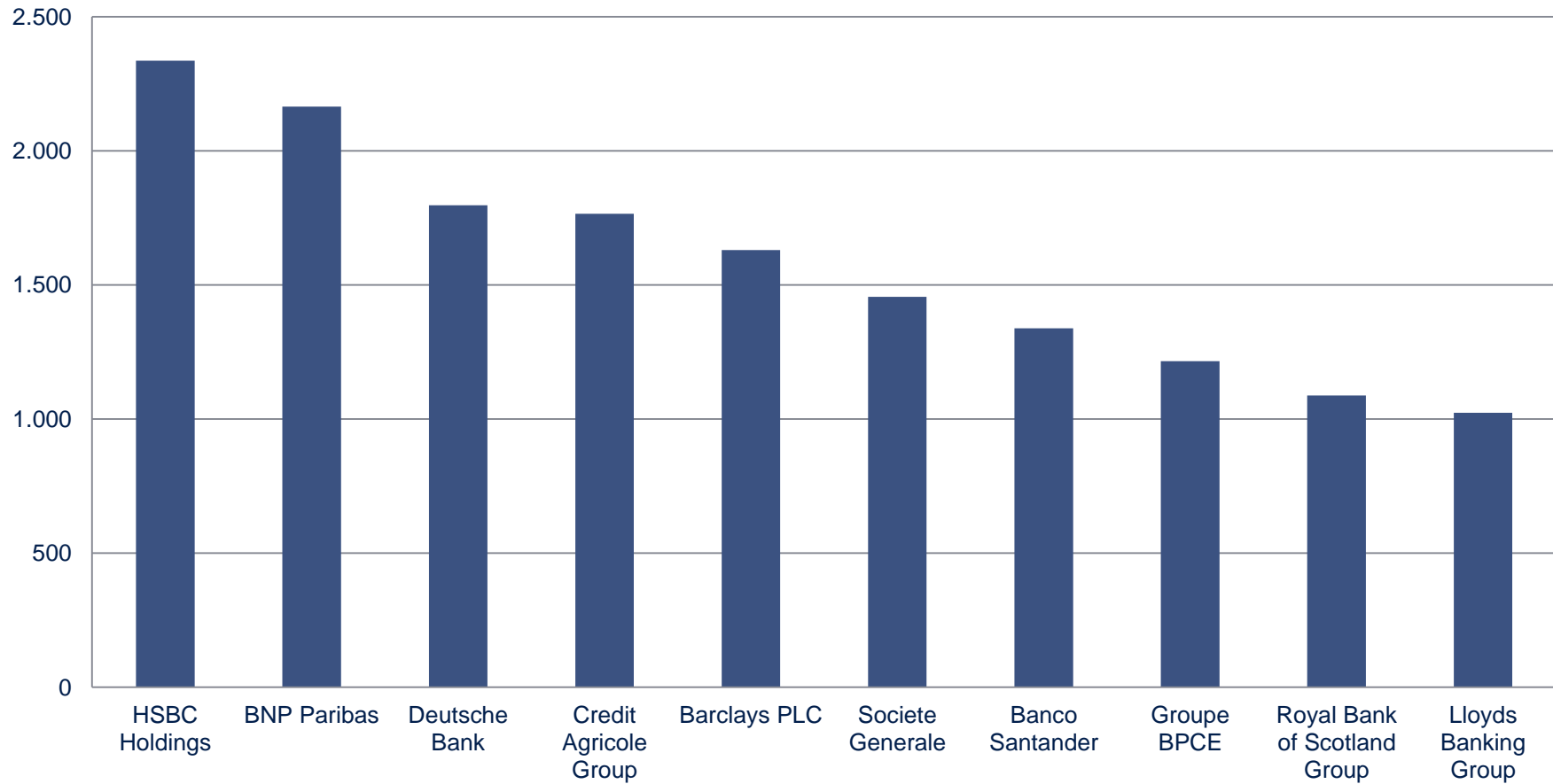
We have savings of about 5 trillion EUR

Source: Deutsche Bundesbank, September 2014

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The ten biggest banks in Europe

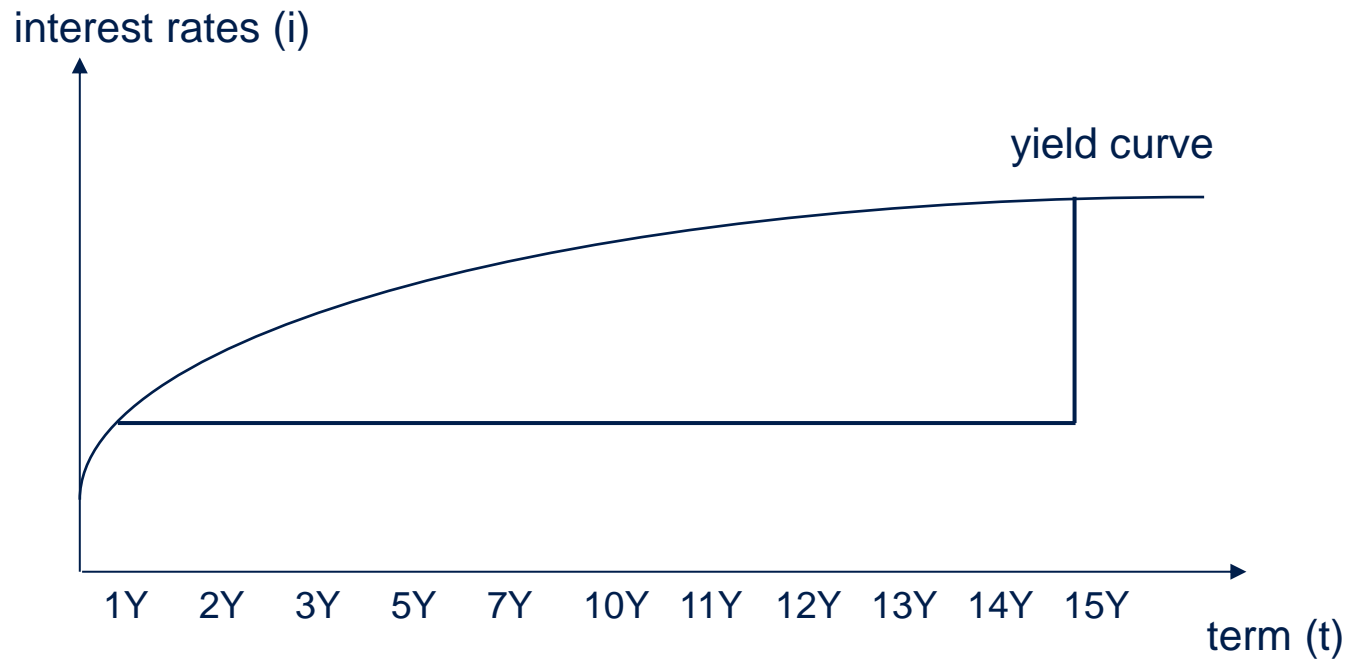
Total Assets of European Banks in trillion € (30.06.2016)



Source: <http://www.relbanks.com/>, <http://www.xe.com>

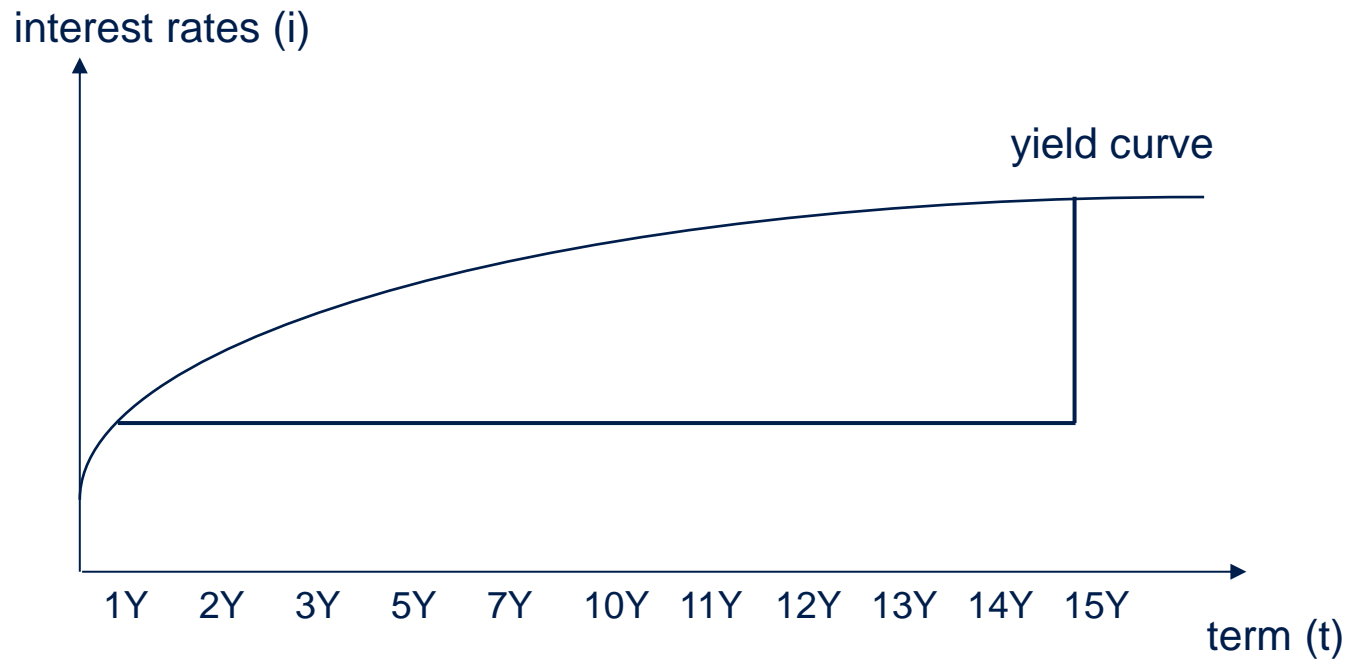
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The yield curve



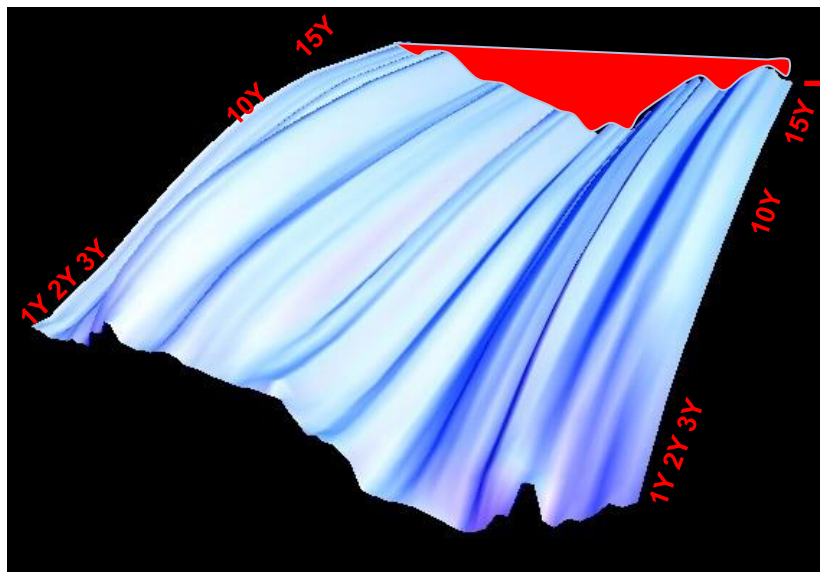
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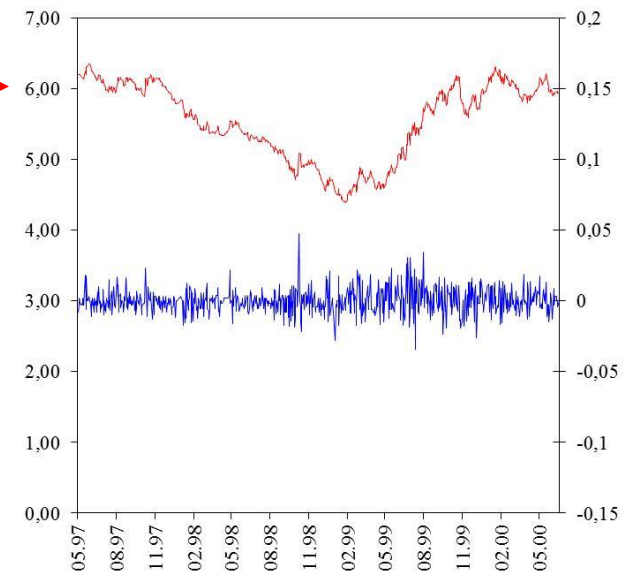


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Interest rates and their dynamics

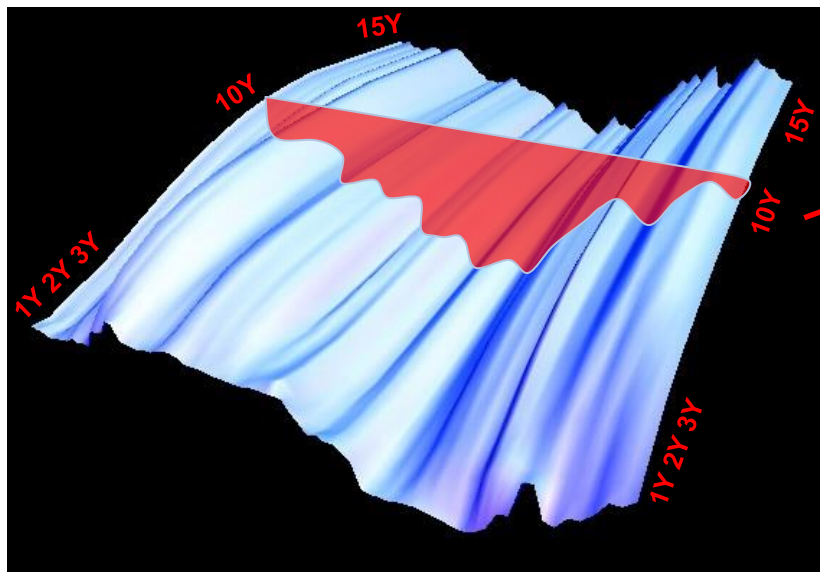


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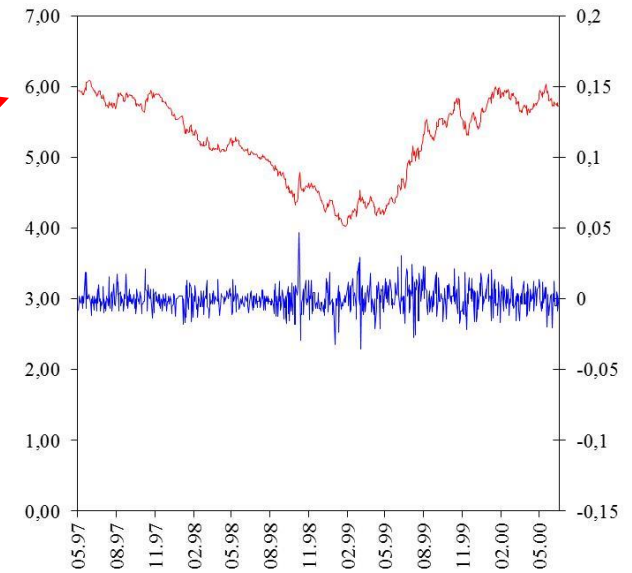


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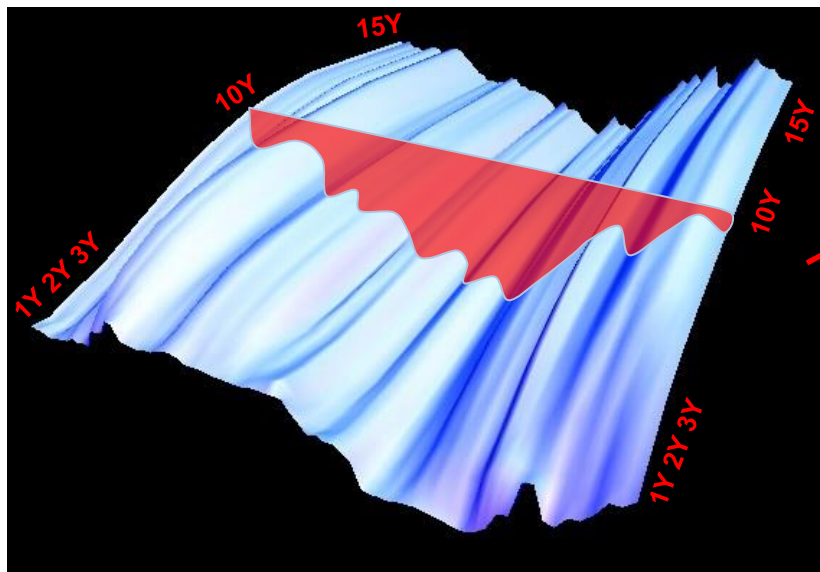


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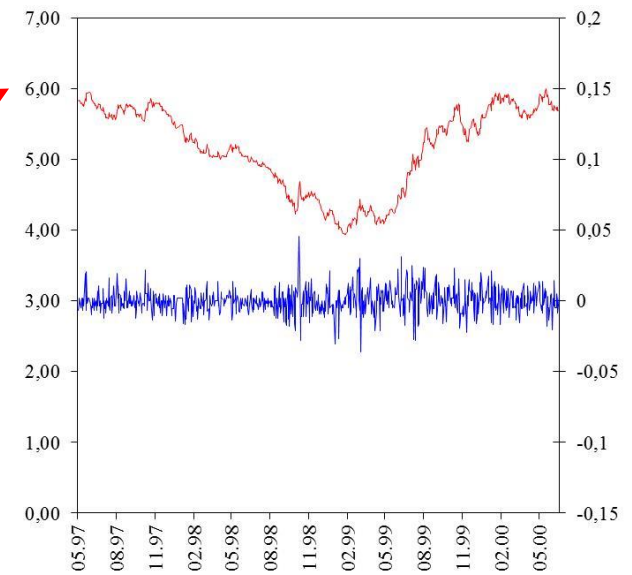


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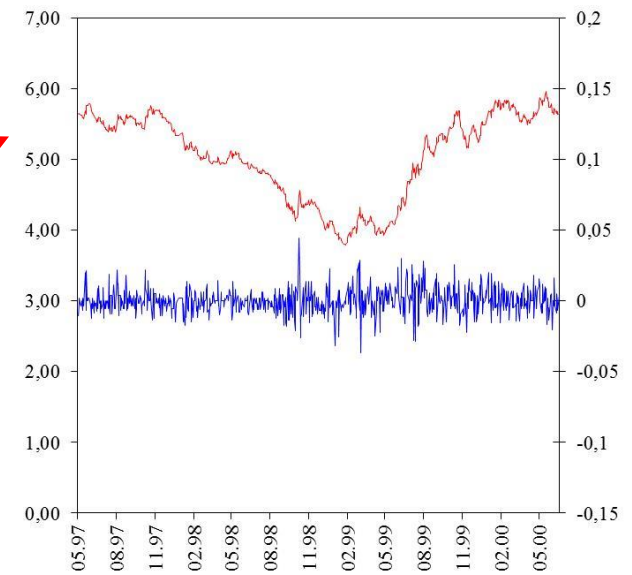
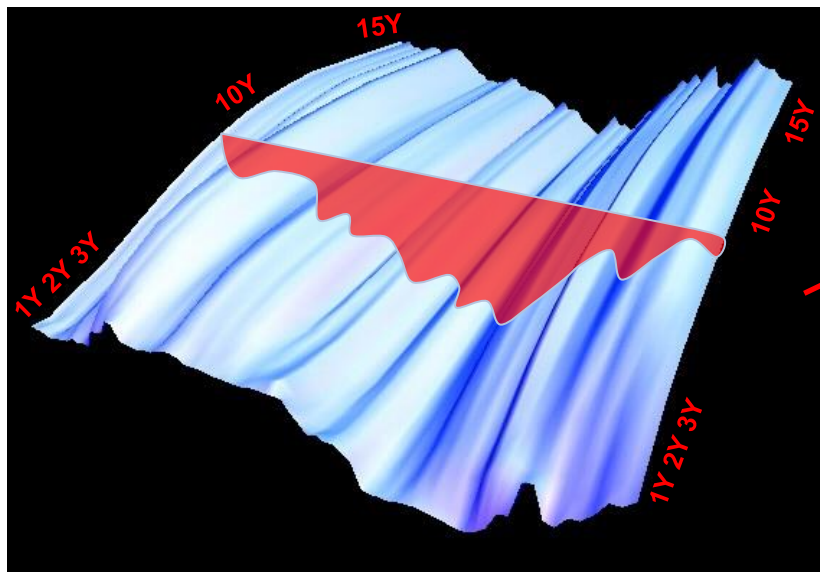


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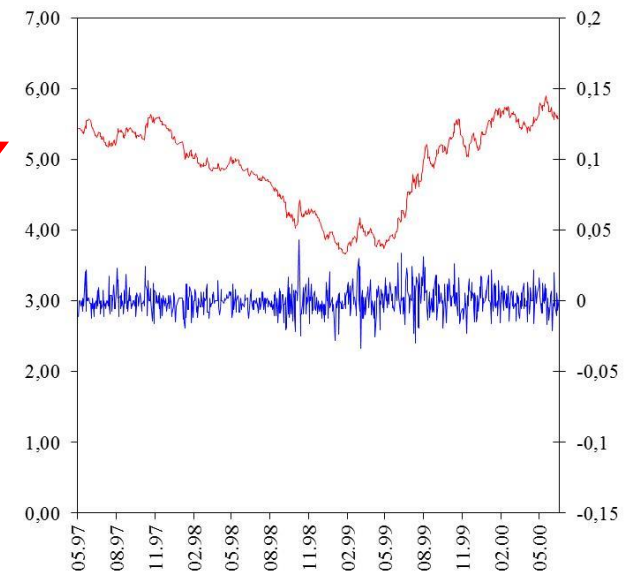
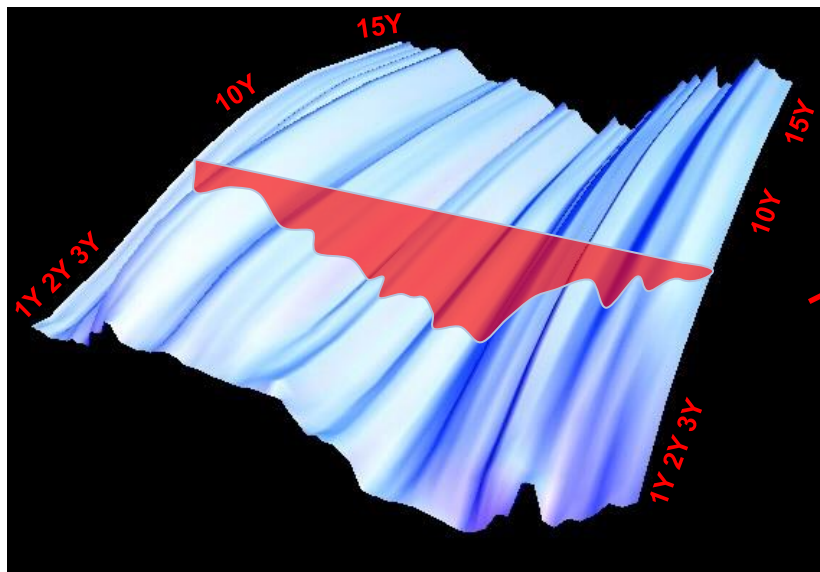
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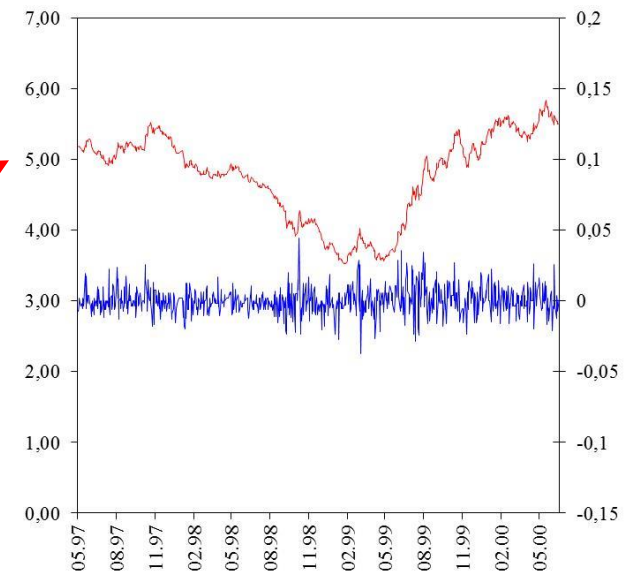
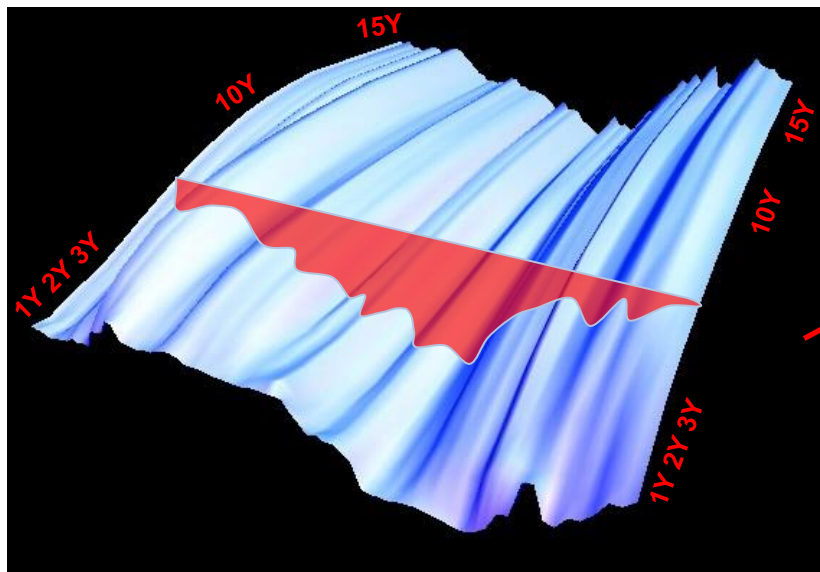
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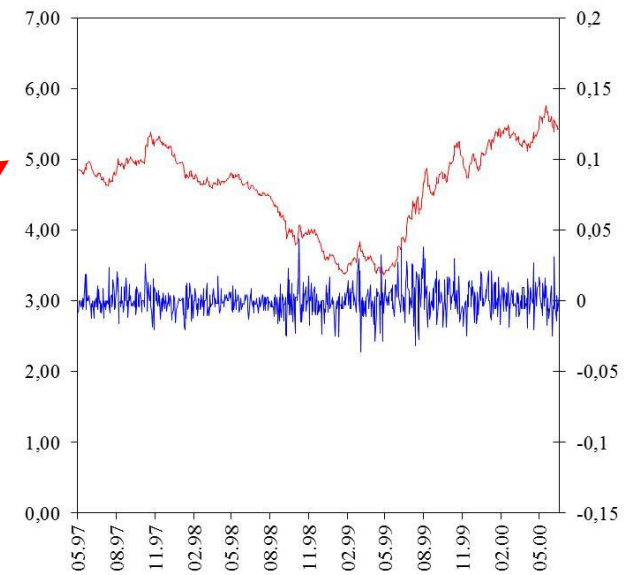
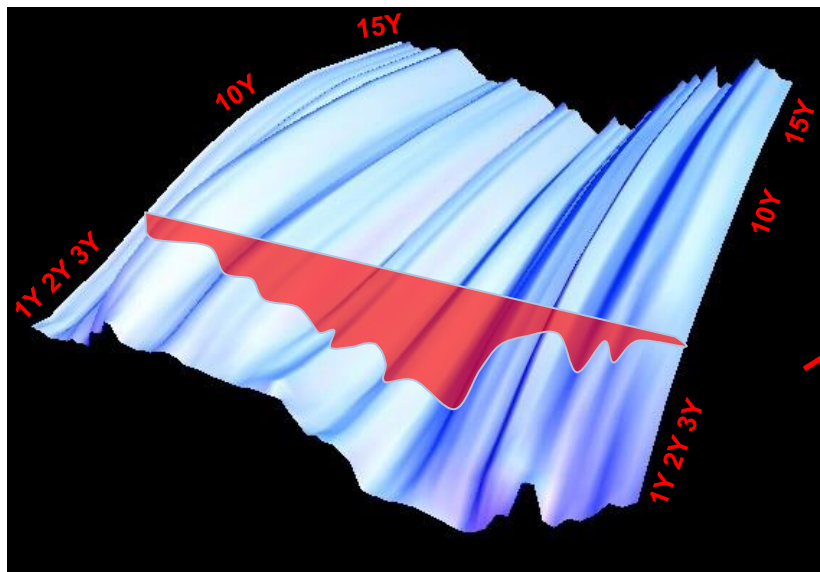
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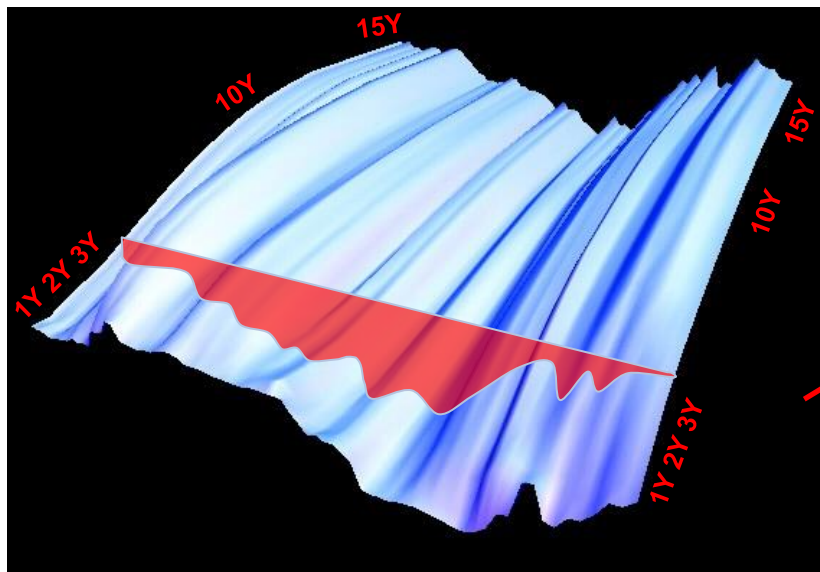
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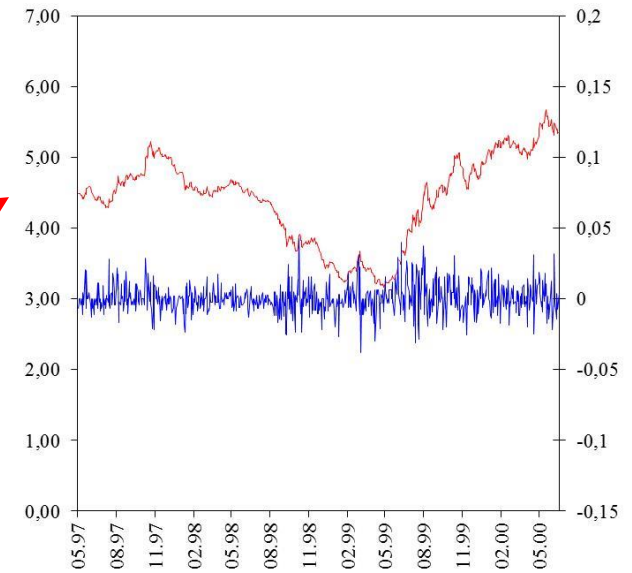


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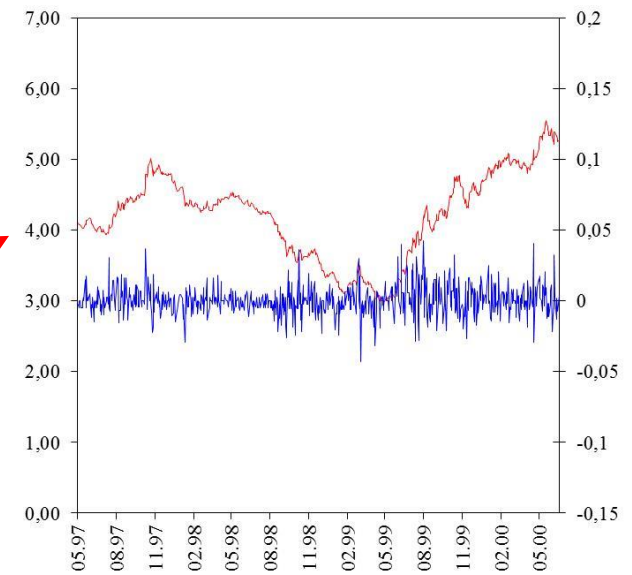
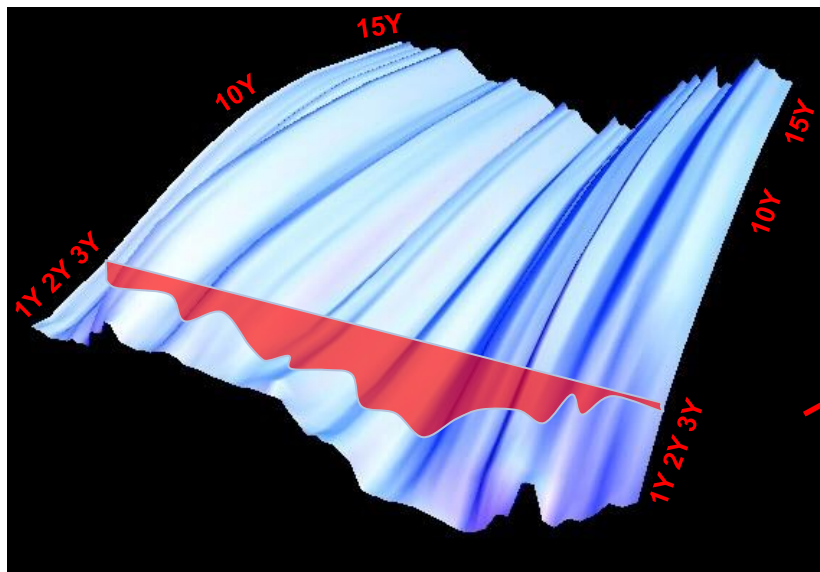


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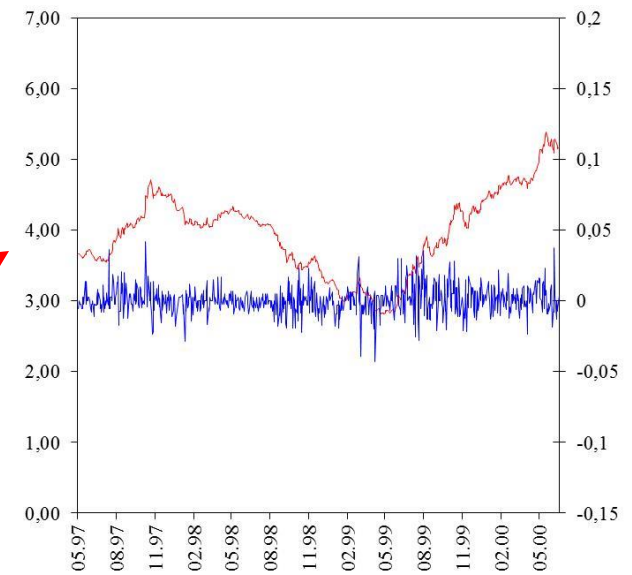
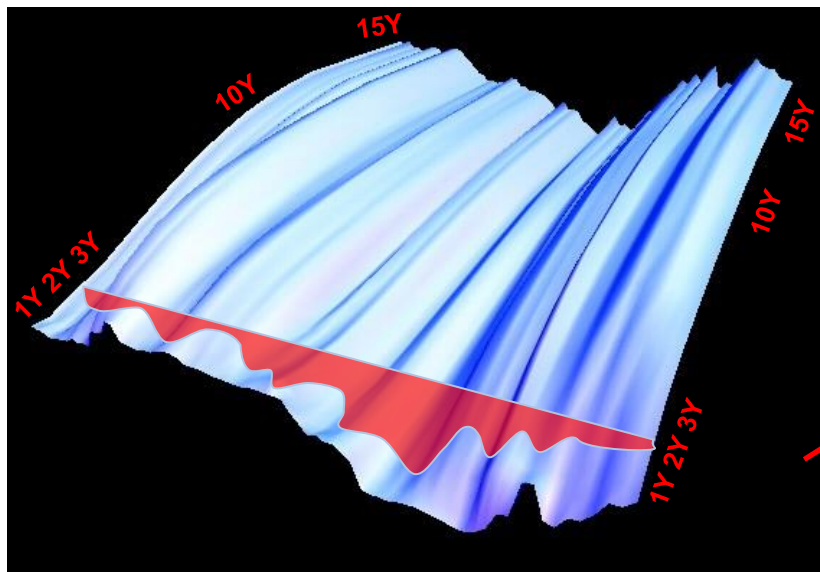
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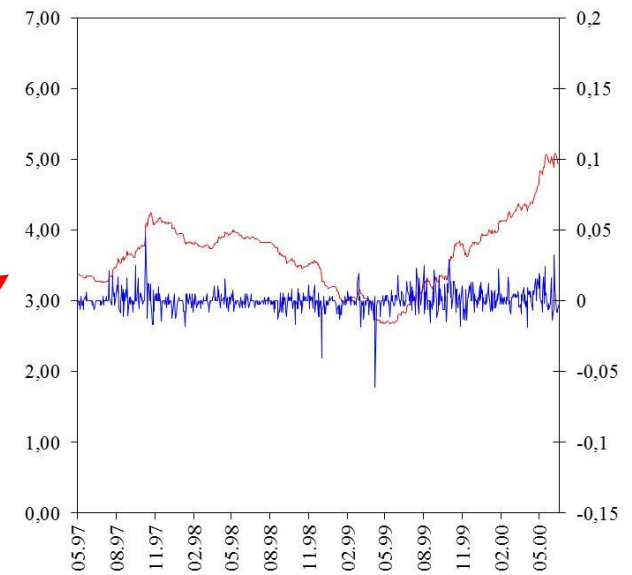
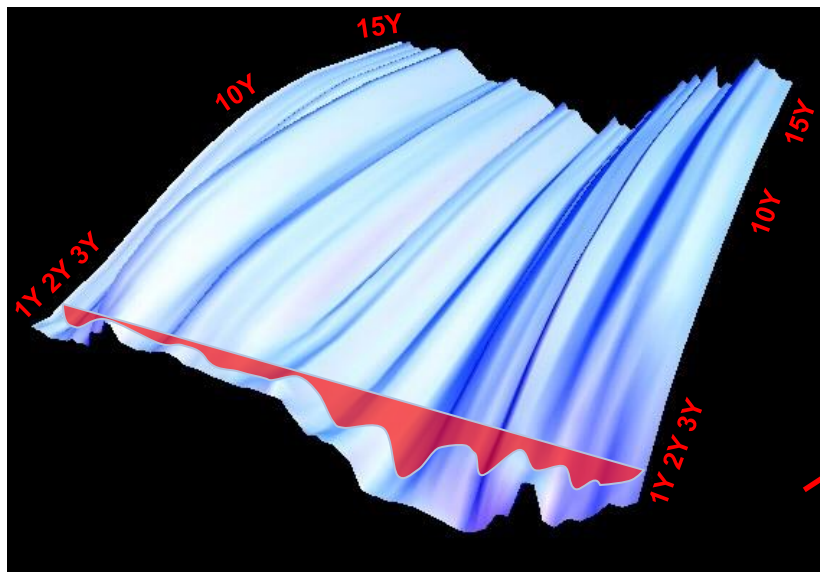
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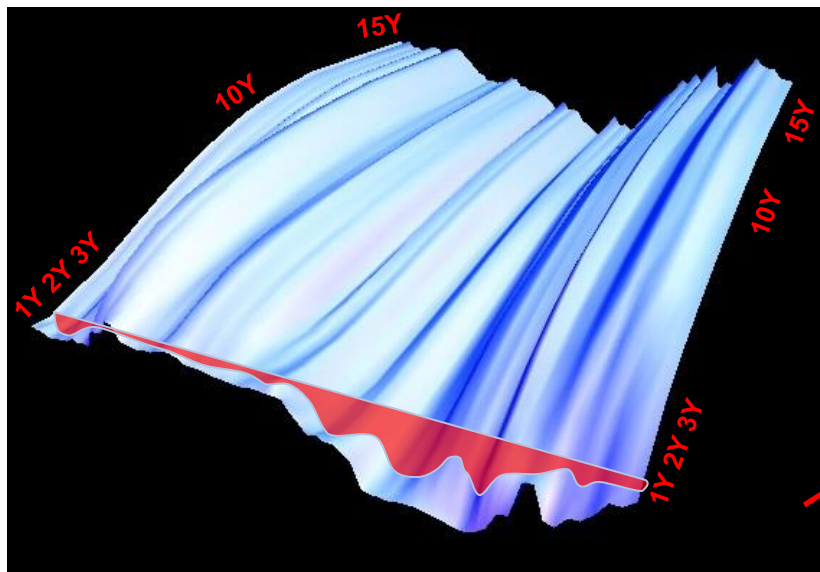
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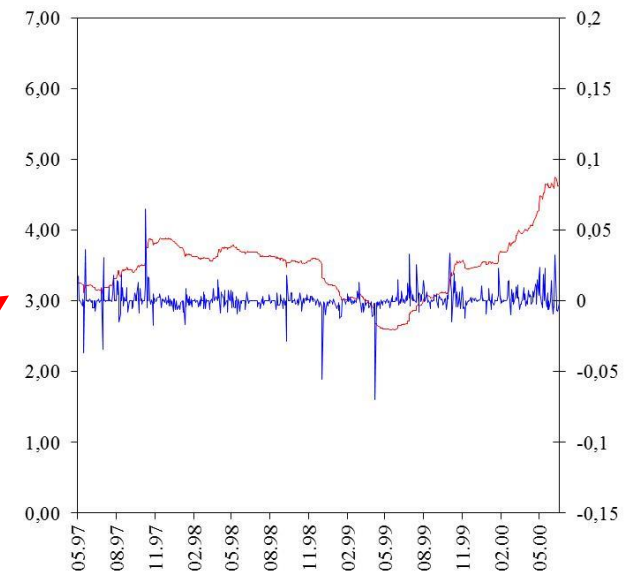


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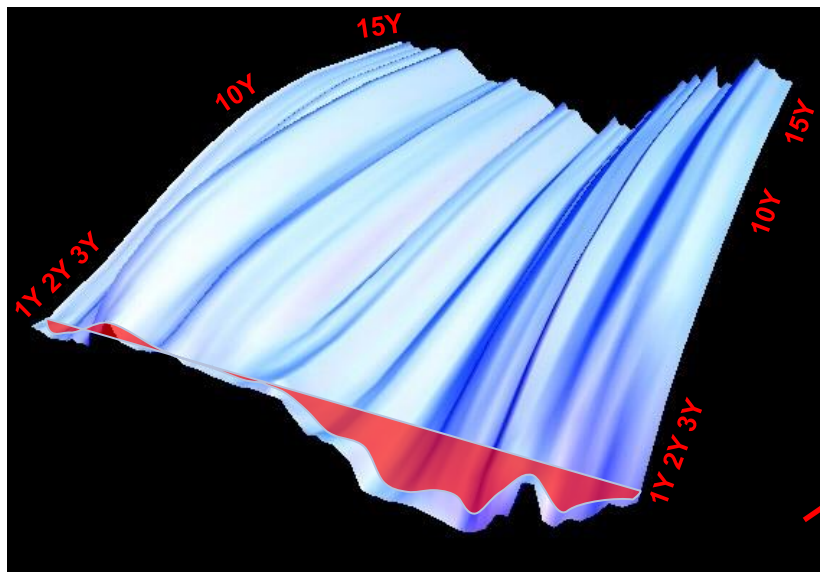


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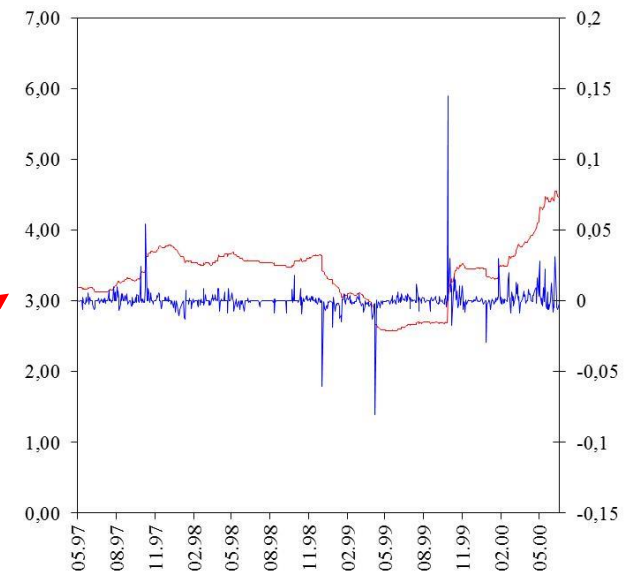


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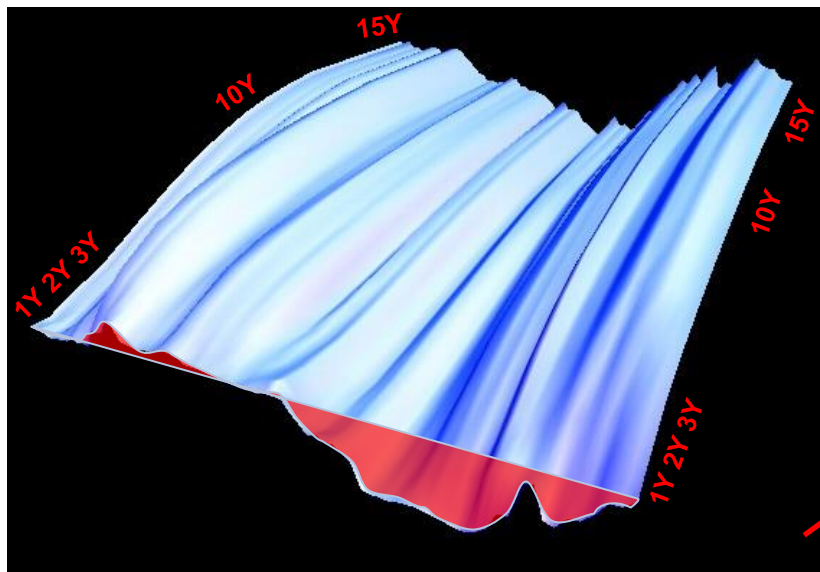


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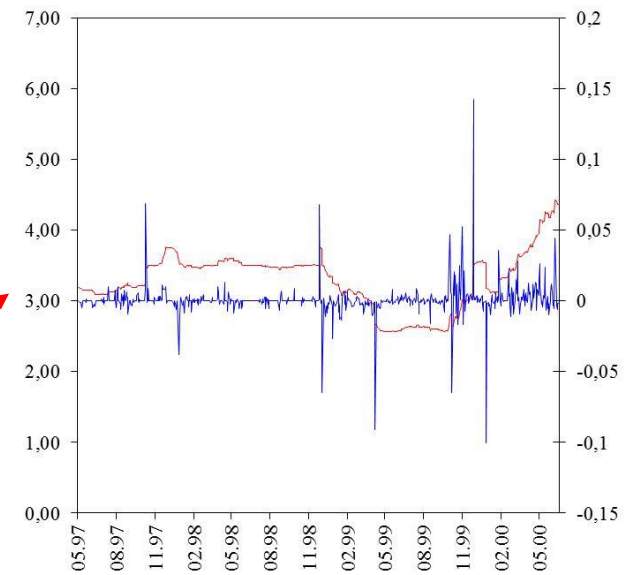


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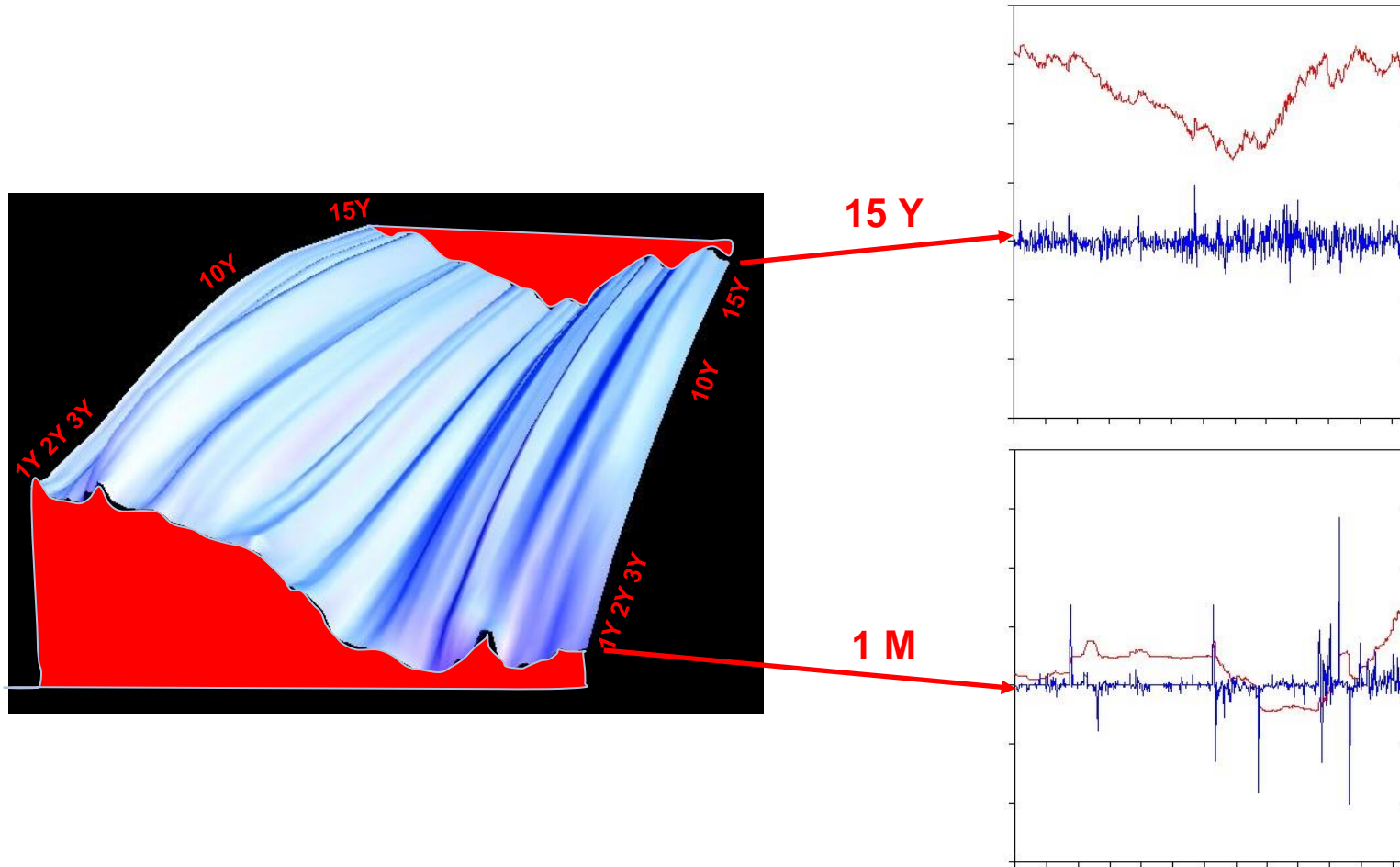


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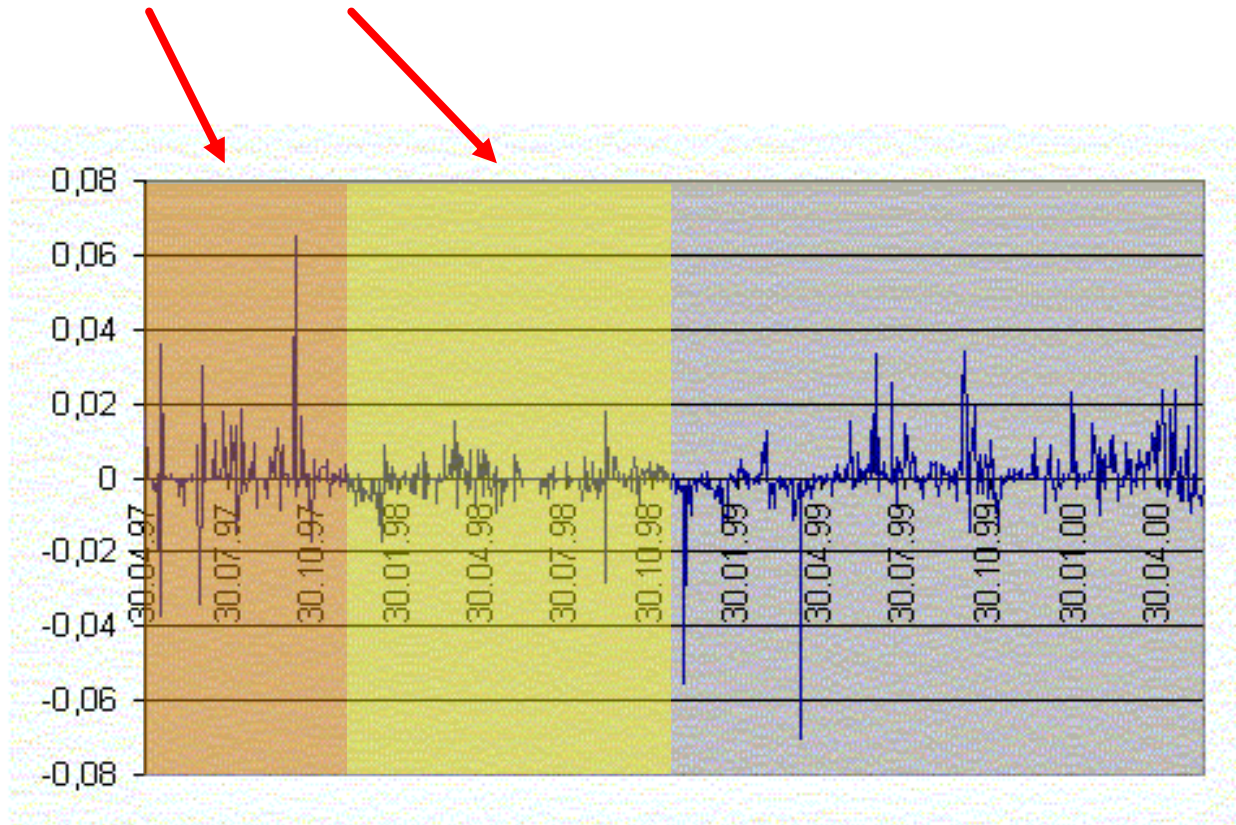
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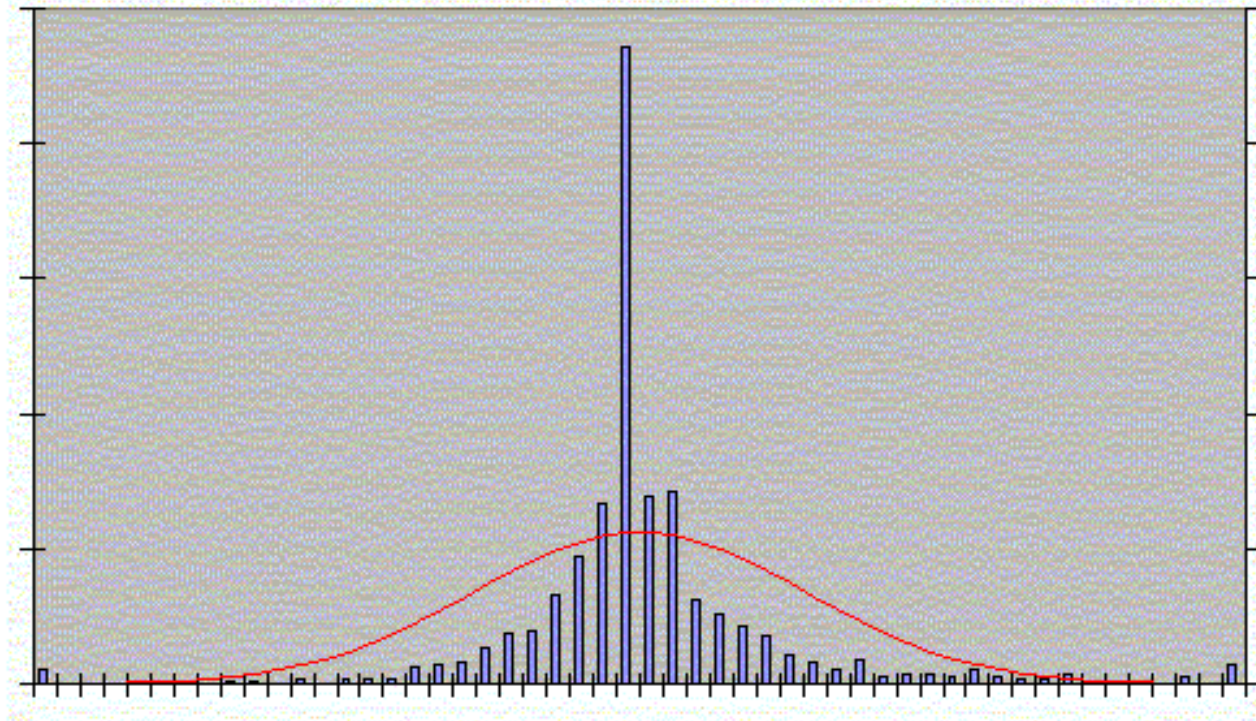
Phenomenology of financial time series

Data are **heteroscedastic**, i.e., there are alterations of volatile and tranquil periods



Phenomenology of financial time series

Data are **leptocurtic**, i.e., the empirical distribution is more pronounced / steeper in the middle of the distribution as the normal distribution and it has more mass in the tails as a normal distribution (**fat tails**).

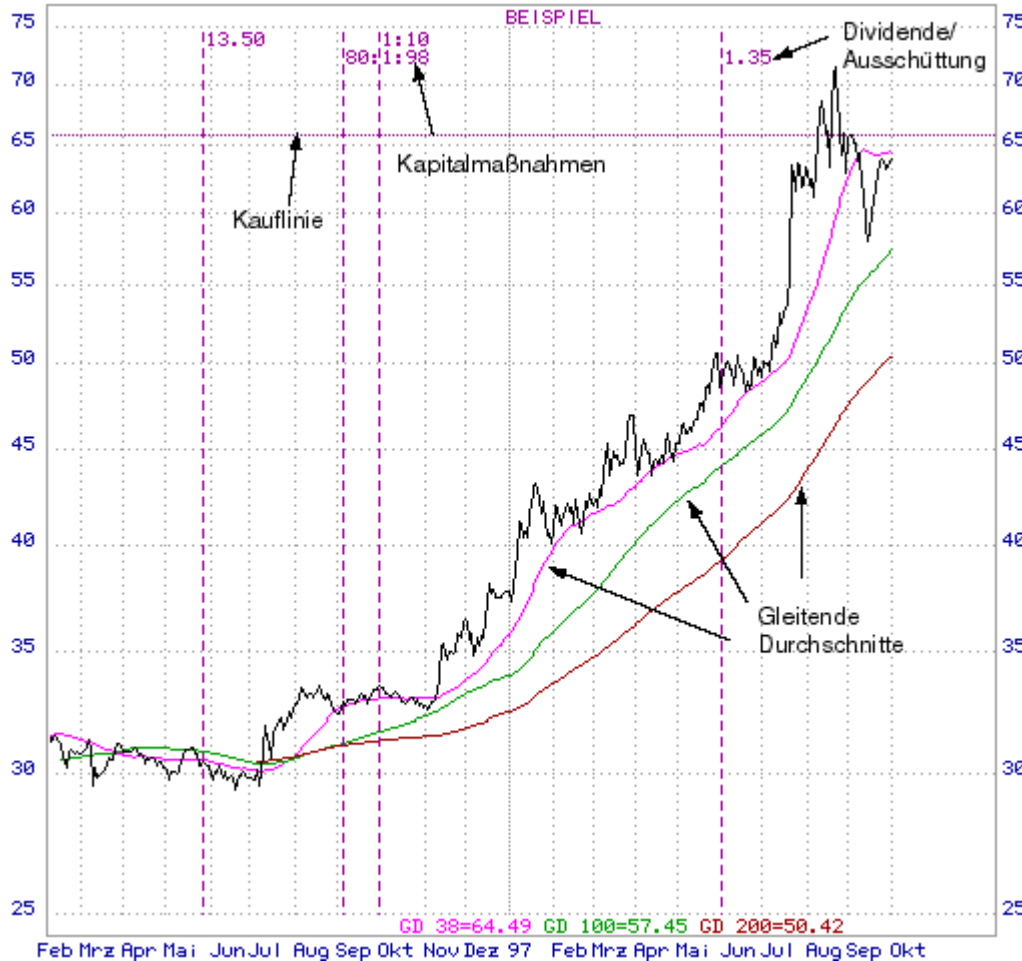


How to “explain” the curves – Different approaches



Can we see patterns?

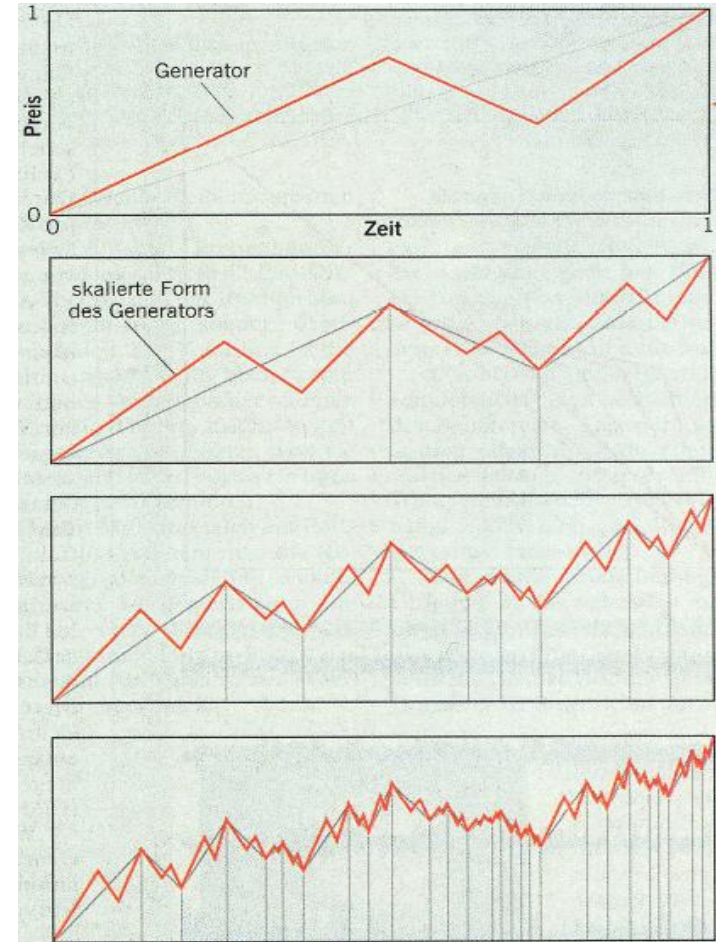
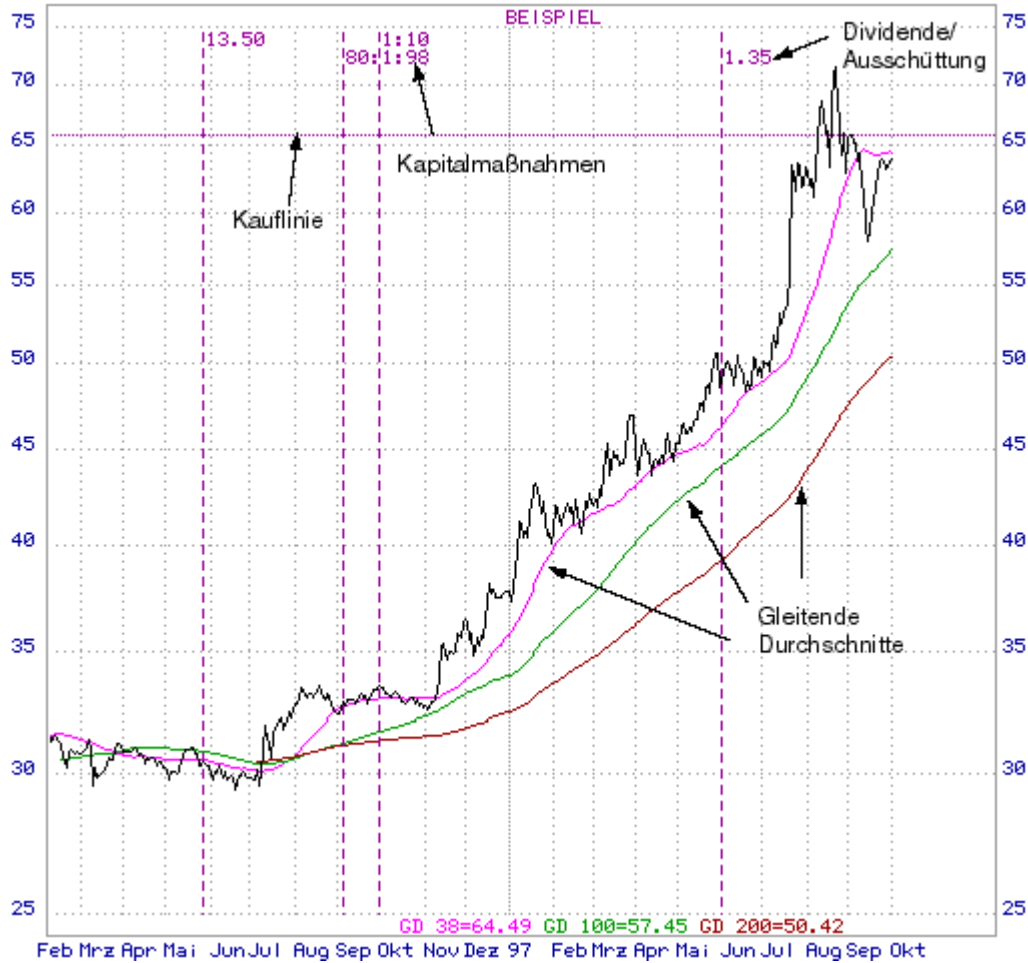
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<p>Symmetrisches Dreieck Das symmetrische Dreieck zeigt die Unsicherheit von Optimisten u. Pessimisten im Markt. Die Kraft der Bären lässt nach, und die Tiefs liegen immer höher. Auf der anderen Seite trauen, auch die Bullen sich derzeit nicht viel zu, und die Hochs liegen immer ein Stück tiefer. Alle warten auf den entscheidenden Ausbruch.</p>	
<p>Steigendes Dreieck Das steigende Dreieck zeigt an, daß die Bullen ihre Kräfte sammeln. Noch können die Kurse einen bestimmten Widerstand nicht durchbrechen. Doch nach unten lassen sie sich auch nicht mehr ziehen. So liegen die Tiefs immer ein wenig höher. Dieses Kraftesammeln kann zwischen 6 u. 12 Wochen dauern.</p>	
<p>Fallendes Dreieck Ein fallendes Dreieck entsteht, wenn es in einer Abwärtsbewegung immer wieder zu Zwischenerholungen kommt. Die Hochpunkte dieser kurzen Aufwärtsbewegung liegen jeweils immer ein wenig niedriger als das vorangegangene Hoch. Auf der anderen Seite ist der Abwärtsdruck nicht sehr stark. Die neuen Tiefpunkte liegen gleichauf mit den vorherigen, so daß eine horizontale Unterstützung entsteht.</p>	
<p>Bullischer Keil Der bullische Keil ist eine Bodenbildungs-Formation, die am Ende eines Abwärtstrend entsteht. Der Abwärtsdruck lässt nach, und die untere Trendlinie wird flacher. Auf der anderen Seite können sich die Bullen noch nicht durchsetzen. Aus dieser Kombination entsteht eine Keil-Formation mit einem positiven Ausbruchscharakter.</p>	
<p>Rechteck Das Rechteck wird auch als Konsolidierungsphase oder Trading-Range bezeichnet. Die Kurse legen nach einer starken Trendbewegung eine Pause ein u. bewegen sich für eine Zeit zwischen einer festen Widerstands- und Unterstützungslinie seitwärts. In dieser Phase wird Kraft getankt, um dann die Trendbewegung wieder aufzunehmen.</p>	

The “Euclidean geometry” approach

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The fractal geometry approach

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Welche Kurve ist die gefälschte?

Wie gut können Multifraktale echte Preis-Charts wiedergeben? Vergleichen wir mehrere historische Preisverläufe mit ein paar künstlichen Modellen.

Die erste Kurve ist offensichtlich noch weit von der Realität entfernt. Sie ist außerordentlich einförmig und läuft auf einen konstanten Hintergrund kleiner Preisänderungen hinaus, wie das Rauschen beim Radioempfang. Die Volatilität bleibt gleichförmig, ohne plötzliche Sprünge. Wenn das die Aufzeichnung eines historischen Preisverlaufs wäre, würden sich die Veränderungen zwar von Tag zu Tag unterscheiden, aber die Monate würden insgesamt doch sehr gleichartig verlaufen.

Die ziemlich einfache zweite Kurve ist schon besser, denn sie zeigt viele plötzliche Zacken. Aber die stehen isoliert gegen einen unveränderlichen Hintergrund, in dem die Variabilität der Preise ungefähr gleich bleibt. Das ist bei der dritten Kurve besser getroffen; dafür zeigt sie keine urplötzlichen Sprünge.

Alle drei Diagramme sind mit bloßem Auge als unrealistisch zu erkennen. Woher stammen sie? Kurve 1 folgt einem Modell, das der französische Mathematiker Louis Bachelier (1870 bis 1946) im Jahre 1900 eingeführt hat. Die Preisveränderungen folgen einer Irrfahrt (*random walk*); dazu gehört die Glockenkurve, womit das Modell auf die Portfolio-Theorie hinausläuft. Die Kurven 2 und 3 ergeben sich aus Verbesserungsversuchen von Bacheliers Arbeiten. Die eine entspricht einem Modell, das ich 1963 vorgeschlagen habe (basierend auf Lévy-stabilen Zufallsprozessen) und einem, das ich 1965 publiziert habe (basierend auf *fractional Brownian motion*). Beide sind nur unter sehr speziellen Marktbedingungen sinnvoll.

Von den – wichtigeren – fünf unteren Diagrammen beruht wenigstens eines auf echten Marktdaten, und wenigstens ein weiteres ist ein computergeneriertes Beispiel meines letzten multifraktalen Modells. Bevor Sie weiterlesen, versuchen Sie, diese Charts richtig zuzuordnen! Ich hoffe, daß auch Sie auf die Fälschungen hereinfallen.



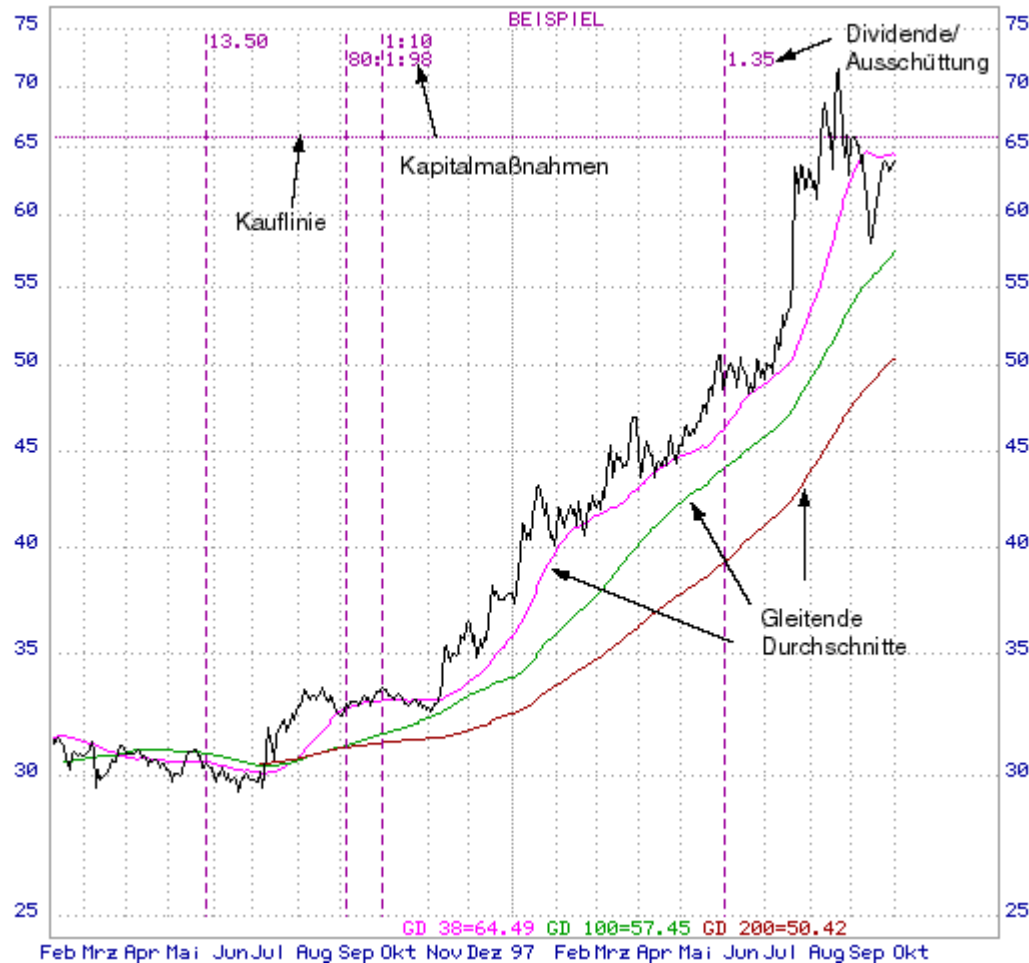
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Tatsächlich sind nur zwei der Charts echte Marktdaten. Chart 5 stellt den Kurs der IBM-Aktie dar und Chart 6 den Wechselkurs DM gegen amerikanische Dollar. Die anderen Kurven (4, 7 und 8) ähneln ihren zwei echten Gegenstücken zwar stark, sind aber vollständig künstlich, erzeugt mit einer weiter verteilten Form meines multifraktalen Modells.

The fractal geometry approach

Source: B. B. Mandelbrot, Börsenturbulenzen neu erklärt, Spektrum der Wissenschaft, Mai 1999, 74-77

How to “explain” the curves – Different approaches



Beschreibende SDE	Parameterspezifikation	Stationäre Verteilung
Mean-Reverting-Prozeß		
$dX_t = \mu(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dB_t$ für $t \geq 0, X_0 = x_0 \in I$ $\mu(x) = \beta + \alpha x \quad \forall x \in I$ $\sigma(x) > 0 \quad \forall x \in I$	$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^-, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$	
Ornstein-Uhlenbeck-Prozeß		
$dX_t = \mu(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dB_t$ für $t \geq 0, X_0 = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ $\mu(x) = \alpha x \quad \forall x \in I = \mathbb{R}$ $\sigma(x) \equiv \sigma$	$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^-$ $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}^+$	$N\left(0, -\frac{\sigma^2}{2\alpha}\right)$
Vasicek-Modell		
$dX_t = \mu(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dB_t$ für $t \geq 0, X_0 = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ $\mu(x) = \beta + \alpha x \quad \forall x \in I = \mathbb{R}$ $\sigma(x) \equiv \sigma$	$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^-, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}^+$	$N\left(-\frac{\beta}{\alpha}, -\frac{\sigma^2}{2\alpha}\right)$
Cox-Ingersoll-Ross-Modell (CIR)		
$dX_t = \mu(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dB_t$ für $t \geq 0, X_0 = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+$ $\mu(x) = \beta + \alpha x \quad \forall x \in I = \mathbb{R}^+$ $\sigma(x) = \sigma \sqrt{x} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^+$	$\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^-, \beta \in \mathbb{R}^+$ $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}^+, 2\beta \geq \sigma^2$	$\Gamma\left(-\frac{2\alpha}{\sigma^2}, \frac{2\beta}{\sigma^2}\right)$
Verallgemeinertes CIR-Modell		
$dX_t = \mu(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dB_t$ für $t \geq 0, X_0 = x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^+$ $\mu(x) = \beta + \alpha x \quad \forall x \in I = \mathbb{R}^+$ $\sigma(x) = \sigma x^\gamma \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^+$	Stationärer Mean-Reverting Prozeß, falls gelten: $\gamma = \frac{1}{2}: 2\beta \geq \sigma^2, \alpha < 0$ $\frac{1}{2} < \gamma < 1: \beta > 0, \alpha < 0$ $\gamma \geq 1: \beta > 0, \alpha < 0$ Stets: $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}^+$	Im Fall $\gamma=1$: Verteilung einer Zufallsvariablen Z , für die gilt: $Z^{-1} \stackrel{d}{=} \Gamma\left(\frac{2\beta}{\sigma^2}, -\frac{2\alpha}{\sigma^2} + 1\right)$

The stochastic approach

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Stochastic Calculus

\cdot	dW_t	dt	Itô Formula
dW_t	dt	0	$df(X_t) = f'(X_t)dX_t$
dt	0	0	$+\frac{1}{2}f''(X_t)(dX_t)^2$

$\text{var}W_t = t$; $\text{Cov}(W_t, W_s) = \min(t, s)$

Itô-Tanaka Formula for Local time

$$L_t^a(Z) = |Z_t - a| - |Z_0 - a| - \int_0^t \text{sgn}(Z_u - a) dZ_u \quad (63)$$

$$f(Z_t) = f(Z_0) + \int_0^t f'(Z_u) dZ_u + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} L_t^a(Z), \mu(da) \quad (64)$$

f'_l is the left-hand side derivative of f , measure $\mu = f''$ in the sense of distributions

Girsanov With $d\tilde{P} \triangleq \exp(\sigma W_T - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 T)d\mathbb{P}$

$\tilde{W}_t - \sigma t$ is a Brownian motion under \tilde{P}

American Option $V_0 = \sup_{\tau} \mathbb{E}[e^{-r\tau} g(S_{\tau})]$
payoff g (maximize over all stopping times τ)

Rogers: $V_0 = \inf_M \mathbb{E}[\sup_t (e^{-rt} g(S_t) - M_t)]$
minimize over all martingales with $M_0 = 0$

and $\sup_t |M_t| \in L^1$

Doob-Meyer Decomposition Supermartingale

$Y_t = Y_0 + M_t - A_t$, M a martingale and $A \uparrow$

Brownian Bridge $B_s|(W_r, W_t)$ on $r \leq s \leq t$

$$\sim W_r + \frac{s-r}{t-r}(W_t - W_r) + \sqrt{\frac{(s-r)(r-t)}{t-r}} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

Reflection Principle $M_T \triangleq \max_{0 \leq t \leq T} W_t$

$$\mathbb{P}[M_T > m, W_T < b] = \mathbb{P}[W_T > 2m - b] \quad (65)$$

$$\mathbb{P}[M_T > m] = 2\mathbb{P}[W_T > m] \quad (66)$$

Martingale Representation Theorem (Δ -Hedge)

Each martingale X can be represented by

$X_t = X_0 + \int_0^t \delta(u) dW_u$ for an adapted δ

Lévy's Characterization A continuous martingale M with $M_t^2 - t$ being a martingale is a Brownian motion

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Dambis / Dubins-Schwarz A continuous local (\mathcal{F}_t) -martingale is a time-changed Brownian motion: $M_t = W_{\langle M \rangle_t}$, where

$\tau_u = \inf\{t : \langle M \rangle_t > u\}$ and W_{τ_u} is an (\mathcal{F}_{τ_u}) -Brownian motion

Bessel Process $R_t = |W_t|$, the Euclidean norm of an n -dimensional Brownian motion

$$dR_t = dW_t + \frac{n-1}{2R_t} dt \quad (67)$$

$$dR_t^2 = 2\sqrt{R_t^2} dW_t + n dt \quad (68)$$

How to “explain” the curves – Different approaches

Stochastic Calculus

\cdot	dW_t	dt	Itô Formula
dW_t	dt	0	$df(X_t) = f'(X_t)dX_t$
dt	0	0	$+\frac{1}{2}f''(X_t)(dX_t)^2$

$\text{var}W_t = t$; $\text{Cov}(W_t, W_s) = \min(t, s)$

Itô-Tanaka Formula for Local time

$$L_t^a(Z) = |Z_t - a| - |Z_0 - a| - \int_0^t \text{sgn}(Z_u - a) dZ_u \quad (63)$$

$$f(Z_t) = f(Z_0) + \int_0^t f'(Z_u) dZ_u + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} L_t^a(Z) \mu(da)$$

f'_l is the left-hand side derivative of f , $\mu = f''$ in the sense of distributions

Girsanov With $d\tilde{\mathbb{P}} \triangleq \exp(\sigma W_T - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 T) d\mathbb{P}$

$\tilde{W}_t - \sigma t$ is a Brownian motion under $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}$

American Option $V_0 = \sup_{\tau} \mathbb{E}[e^{-r\tau} g(S_{\tau})]$

payoff g (maximize over all stopping times τ)

Rogers: $V_0 = \inf_M \mathbb{E}[\sup_t (e^{-rat} g(S_t) - M_t)]$

minimize over all martingales with $M_0 = 0$

and $\sup_t |M_t| \in L^1$

Doob-Meyer Decomposition Supermartingale

$Y_t = Y_0 + M_t - A_t$, M a martingale and $A \uparrow$

Brownian Bridge $B_s | (W_r, W_t)$ on $r \leq s \leq t$

$$\sim W_r + \frac{s-r}{t-r}(W_t - W_r) + \sqrt{\frac{(s-r)(r-t)}{t-r}} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

Reflection Principle $M_T \triangleq \max_{0 \leq t \leq T} W_t$

$$\mathbb{P}[M_T > m, W_T < b] = \mathbb{P}[W_T > 2m - b] \quad (65)$$

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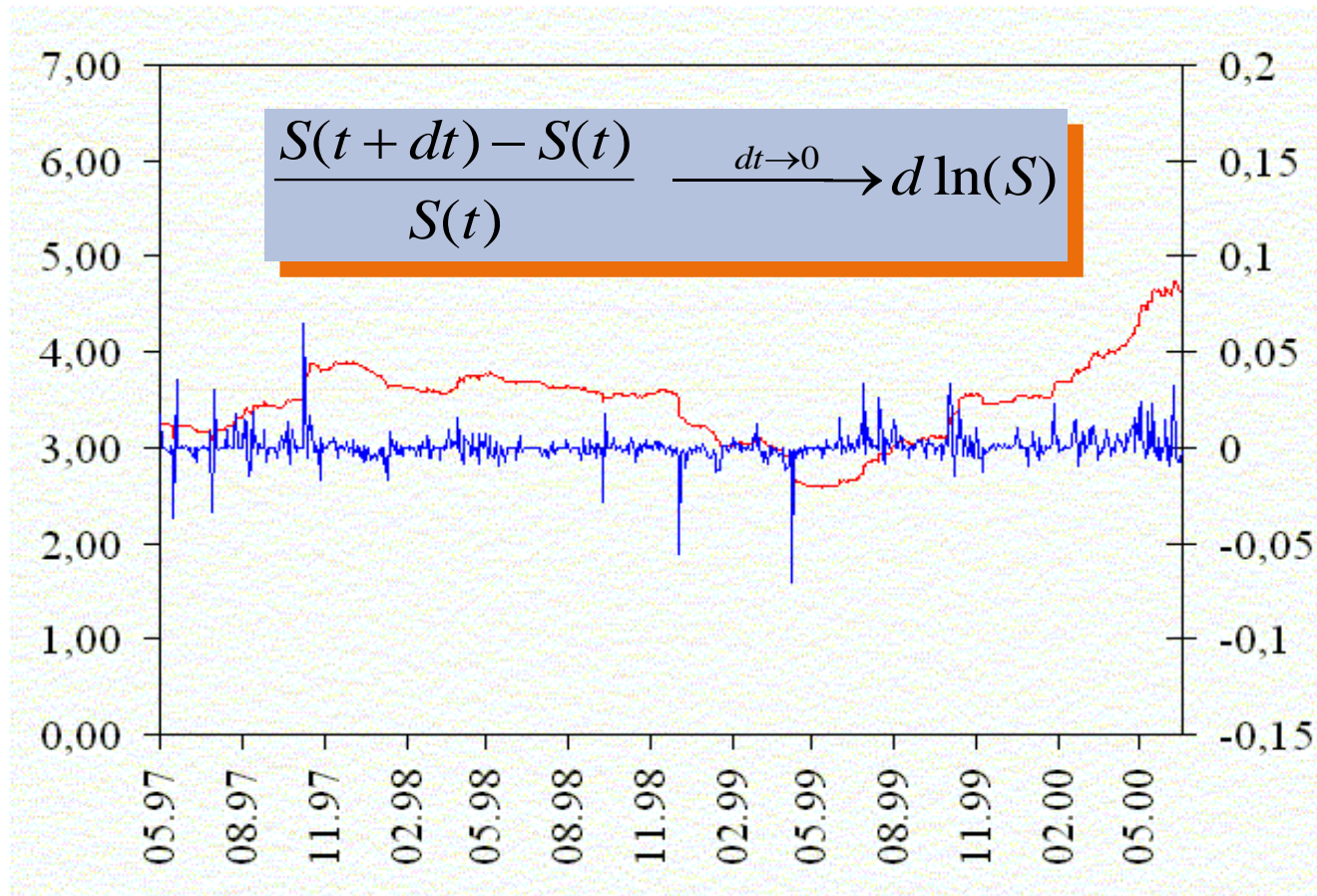
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How to “explain” the curves – Different approaches

Modelling the logarithmical price change

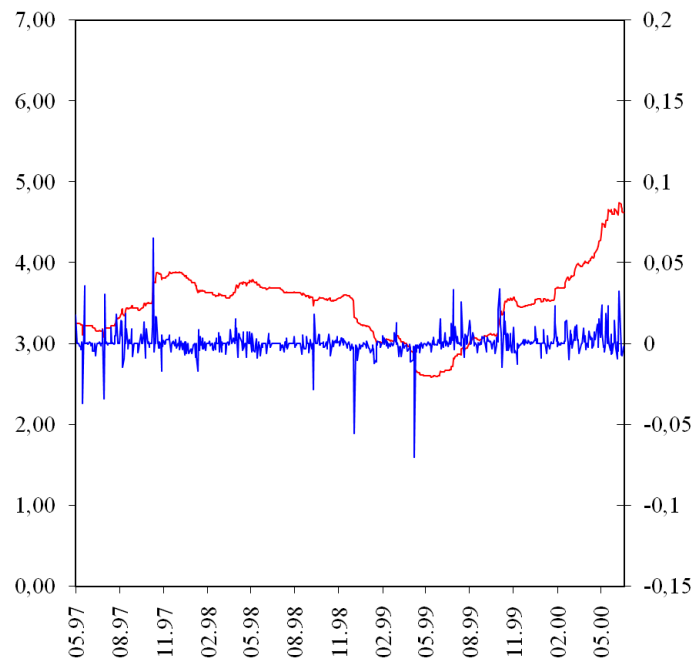


Interest rate models

» Basic model: $X_t = \sigma_t Z_t$ with

$\{Z_t\}$ is IID with mean 0, variance 1, e.g. $N(0,1)$

very simple: fixed σ , more advanced: $\{\sigma_t\}$ is a volatility process



Interest rate models

» GARCH model

$$X_t = \sigma_t Z_t$$

GARCH(p,q) process (General AutoRegressive Conditional Heteroscedastic)

$$\sigma_t^2 = c_0 + c_1 X_{t-1}^2 + \dots + c_p X_{t-p}^2 + \beta_1 \sigma_{t-1}^2 + \dots + \beta_q \sigma_{t-q}^2 .$$

Special case ARCH(1)

$$\begin{aligned} X_t^2 &= (c_0 + c_1 X_{t-1}^2) Z_t^2 \\ &= c_1 Z_t^2 X_{t-1}^2 + c_0 Z_t^2 \\ &= A_t X_{t-1}^2 + B_t \end{aligned}$$

» Stochastic volatility models

$$X_t = \sigma_t Z_t$$

σ_t is a second process, independent of Z_t

Model for the volatility (Taylor 1986)

$$\log \sigma_t^2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \log \sigma_{t-1}^2 + \alpha_2 \varepsilon_t, \quad \{\varepsilon_t\} \sim \text{IID } N(0, 1)$$

Stochastic recurrence model

$$X_t = X_{t-1} \varepsilon_t + \eta_t \quad \text{mit } \{\varepsilon_t, \eta_t\} \sim \text{IID}$$

Interest rate models

» Extensions to the basic GARCH model

General formula:

$$r_t = \sigma_t \varepsilon_t$$

Bilinear (Granger / Andersen 1978):

$$\sigma_t^2 = r_{t-1}^2$$

ARCH(1, 1) (Engle 1982):

$$\sigma_t^2 = c_0 + c_1 r_{t-1}^2$$

GARCH(1, 1) (Bollerslev 1986):

$$\sigma_t^2 = c_0 + c_1 r_{t-1}^2 + c_2 \sigma_{t-1}^2$$

EGARCH (Nelson 1990):

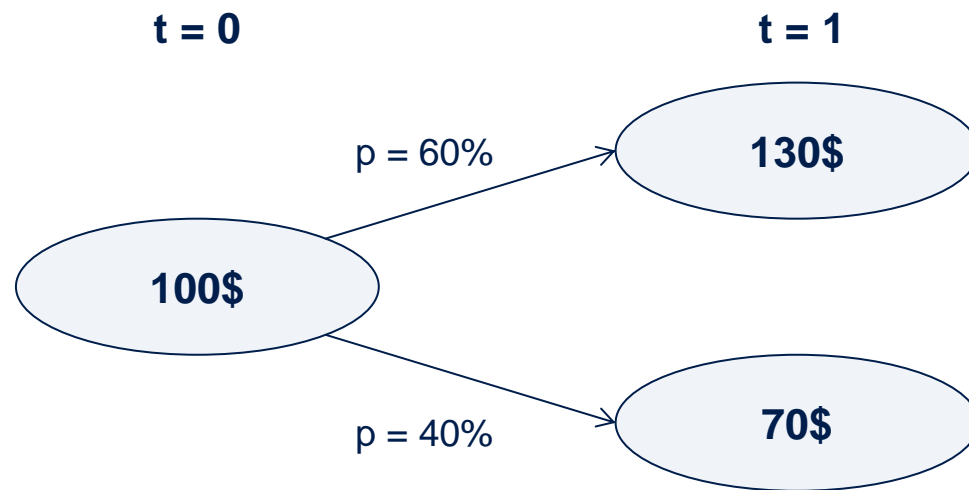
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Further: ARCH-M, AARCH, NARCH, PARCH, PNP_ARCH, STARCH, SWARCH, Component-ARCH, IARCH, multiplicative ARCH

For weather derivatives e.g. the ARFIMA-FIGARCH approach is used

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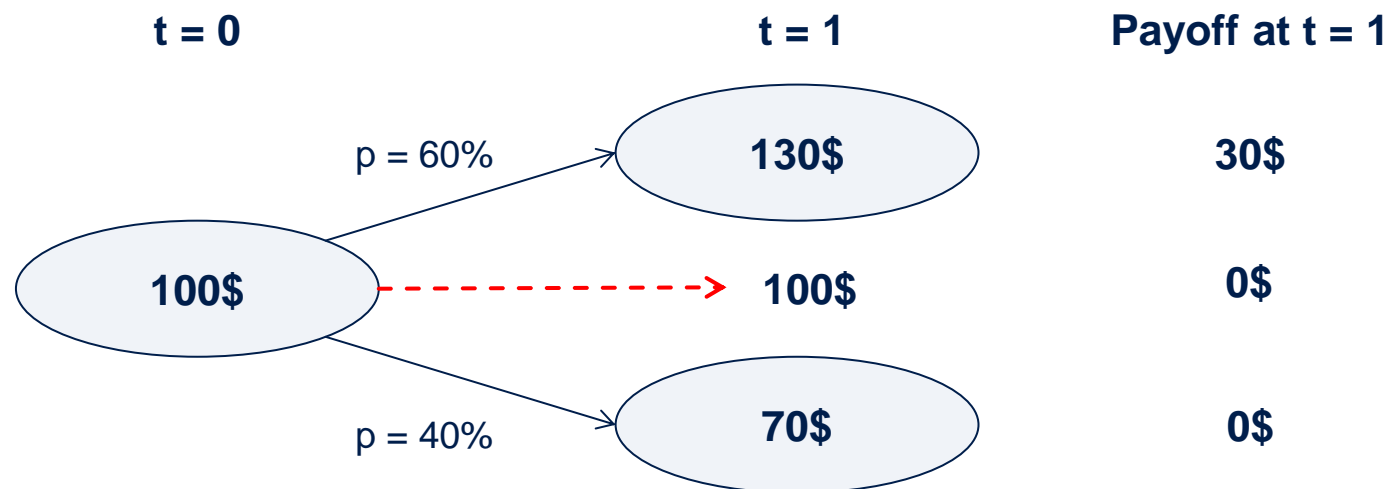


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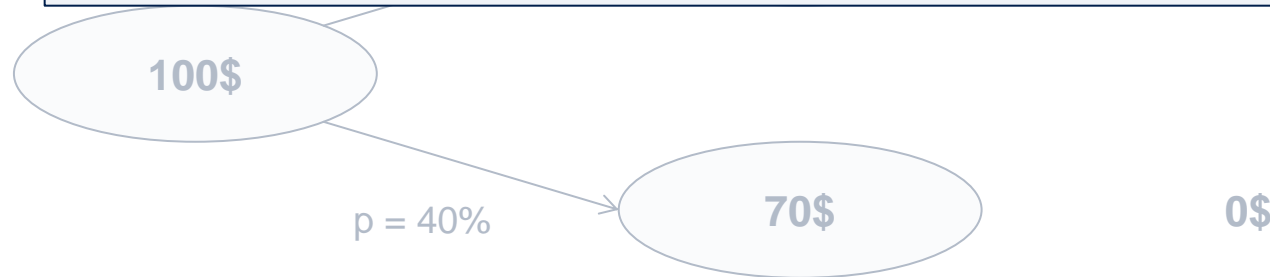
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We could then accept the 18\$ and do the following: we buy $\frac{1}{2}$ of the stock today for 50\$ and wait until tomorrow. If the stock goes up we have to deliver one stock for the price of 100\$, so we have to buy another $\frac{1}{2}$ for 65\$. Having spent a total of 115\$ and received a total of 118\$ we make a profit of 3\$. If the stock goes down we don't have to deliver the stock and can sell our $\frac{1}{2}$ stock for 35\$, adding the 18\$ we got for the contract and subtracting the 50\$ we paid for the $\frac{1}{2}$ stock at $t = 0$ again gives us a profit of 3\$.

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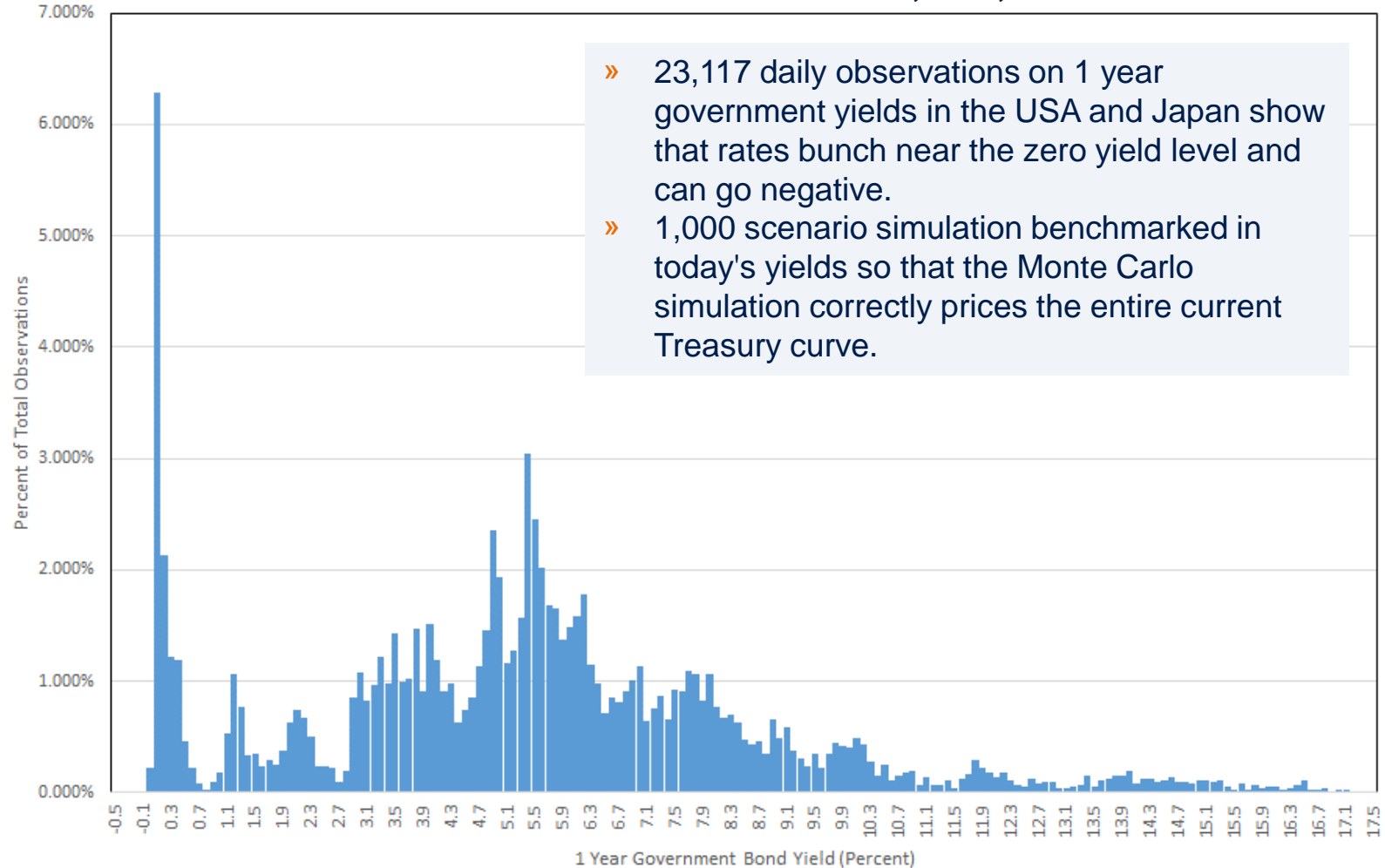
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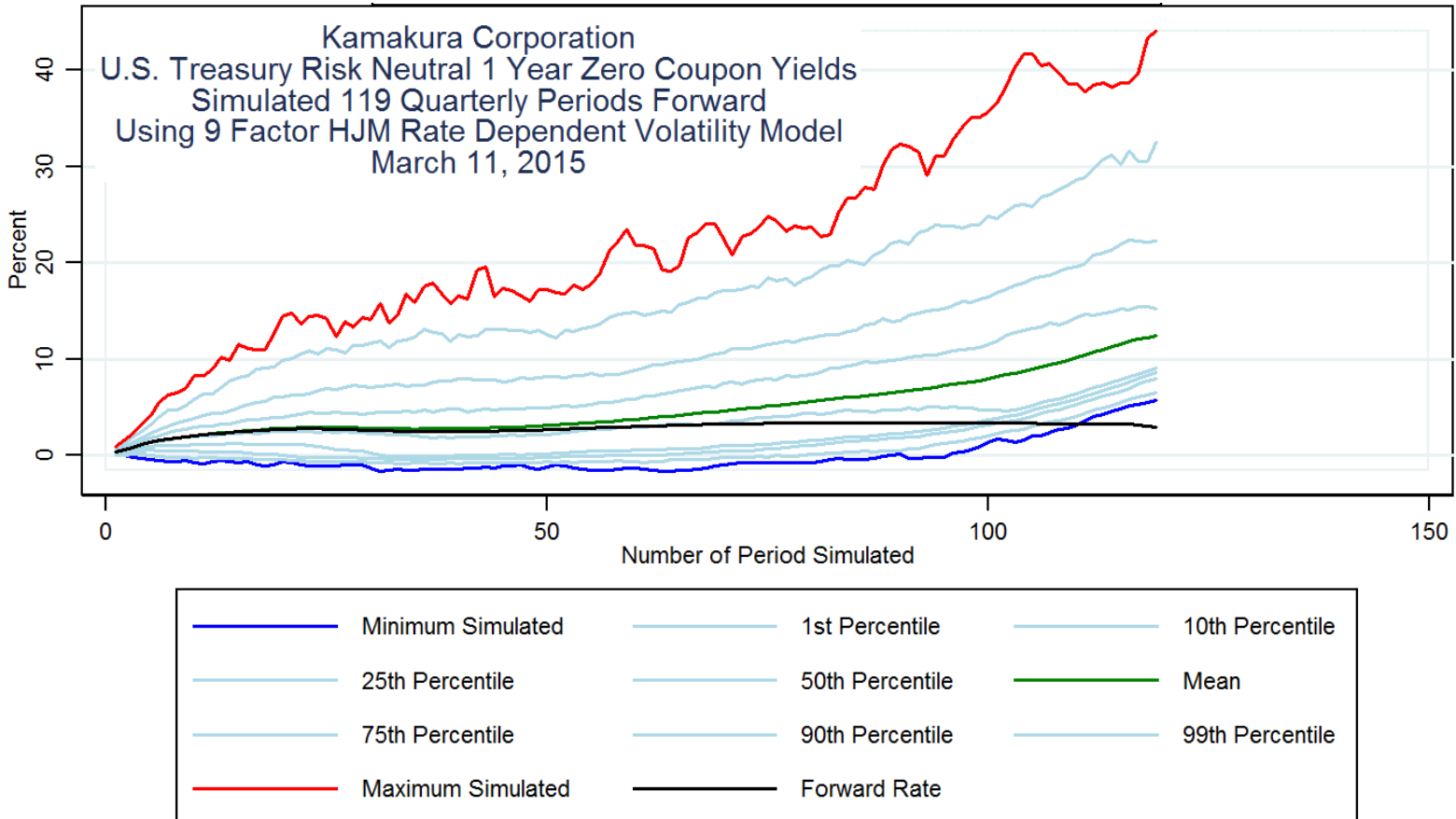
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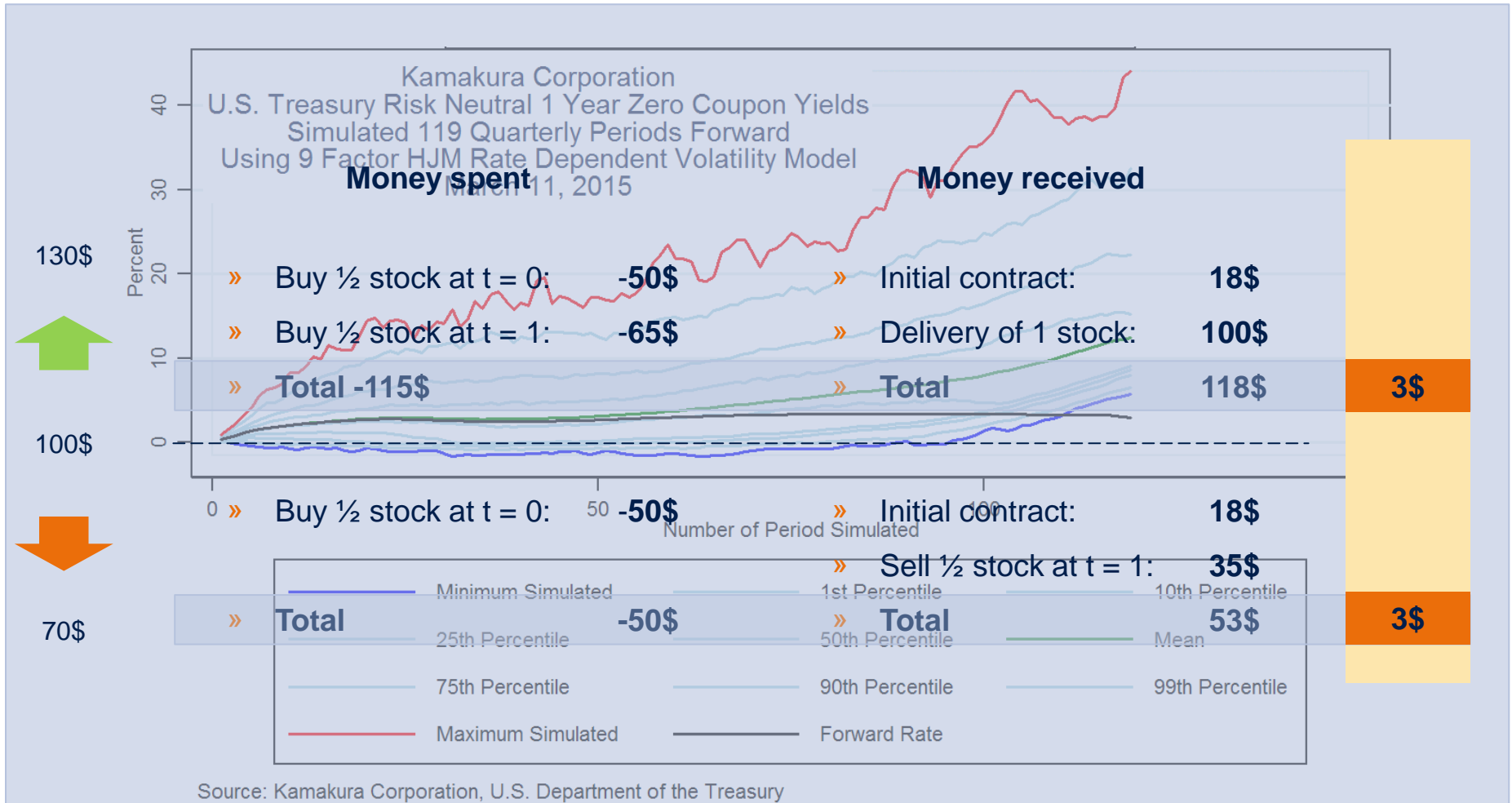
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Source: Kamakura Corporation, U.S. Department of the Treasury

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Physical models applied to financial markets

- » The application of stochastic methods to questions from the world of finance is nowadays an established standard.
- » Many well understood paradigms from physics can be applied to problems arising in a financial context. Time will tell which of them will also have practical relevance.
- » Ising models, chaos theory, fractals, etc.



The statistical physics approach

Physical models applied to financial markets - Hamiltonians

Stock markets and quantum dynamics: a second quantized description

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- » Toy model of a stock market based on the following assumptions:
 - › Our market consists of L traders exchanging a single kind of share;
 - › The total number of shares, N , is fixed in time;
 - › A trader can only interact with a single other trader: i.e. the traders feel only a *two-body interaction*;
 - › The traders can only buy or sell one share in any single transaction;
 - › The price of the share changes with discrete steps, multiples of a given monetary unit;
 - › When the tendency of the market to sell a share, i.e. the *market supply*, increases then the price of the share decreases;
 - › For our convenience the supply is expressed in term of natural numbers;
 - › To simplify the notation, we take the monetary unit equal to 1.

Physical models applied to financial markets - Hamiltonians

- » The *formal Hamiltonian* of the model is the following operator:

$$\tilde{H} = H_0 + \tilde{H}_l, \text{ where}$$

$$H_0 = \sum_{l=1}^L a_l a_l^\dagger a_l + \sum_{l=1}^L \beta_l c_l^\dagger c_l + o^\dagger o + p^\dagger p$$

$$\tilde{H}_l = \sum_{i,j=1}^L p_{ij} \left(a_i^\dagger a_j (c_i c_j^\dagger)^{\hat{P}} + a_i a_j^\dagger (c_j c_i^\dagger)^{\hat{P}} \right) + o^\dagger p + p^\dagger o$$

- » where $\hat{P} = p^\dagger p$ and the following commutation rules are used:

$$\llbracket a_l, a_n^\dagger \rrbracket = \llbracket c_l, c_n^\dagger \rrbracket = \delta_{ln} I \quad \llbracket p, p^\dagger \rrbracket = \llbracket o, o^\dagger \rrbracket = I$$

- » All other commutators are zero.

- » We further assume that $p_{ii} = 0$

- » *Number, price, cash and supply operators*: $a_l^\ddagger, p^\ddagger, c_l^\ddagger, o^\ddagger$

- » The states of the market are: $\omega_{\{n\};\{k\};O;M}(\cdot) = \langle \varphi_{\{n\};\{k\};O;M}, \varphi_{\{n\};\{k\};O;M} \rangle$

- » where $\{n\} = n_1, n_2, \dots, n_L, \{k\} = k_1, k_2, \dots, k_L$ and

$$\varphi_{\{n\};\{k\};O;M} = \frac{(a_1^\dagger)^{n_1} \dots (a_L^\dagger)^{n_L} (c_1^\dagger)^{k_1} \dots (c_L^\dagger)^{k_L} (o^\dagger)^O \dots (p^\dagger)^M}{\sqrt{n_1! \dots n_L! k_1! \dots k_L! O! M!}} \varphi_0$$

- » φ_0 is the vacuum of the model: $a_j \varphi_0 = c_j \varphi_0 = p \varphi_0 = o \varphi_0 = 0, \text{ for } j = 1, 2, \dots, L$

Physical models applied to financial markets - Hamiltonians

- » The time evolution for the observables, e.g., the price

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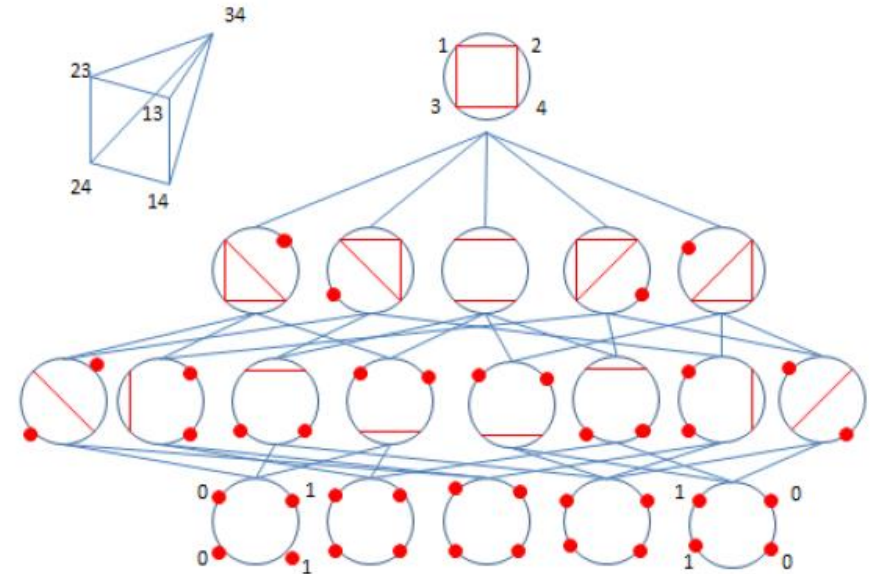


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Crossing Stocks and the Positive Grassmannian I: The Geometry behind Stock Market

Ovidiu Racorean

Removals of crossings in the permutation associated to stock market reside in the decomposition of the positive Grassmannian $G^+(2,4)$ labeled by the stock market polytope in positroid cells as is depicted in the figure 11.



The combinatorial approach

From the currency rate quotations onto strings and brane world scenarios

D. Horváth R. Pincak

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The “cosmological” approach

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**Correlations and Complexity in
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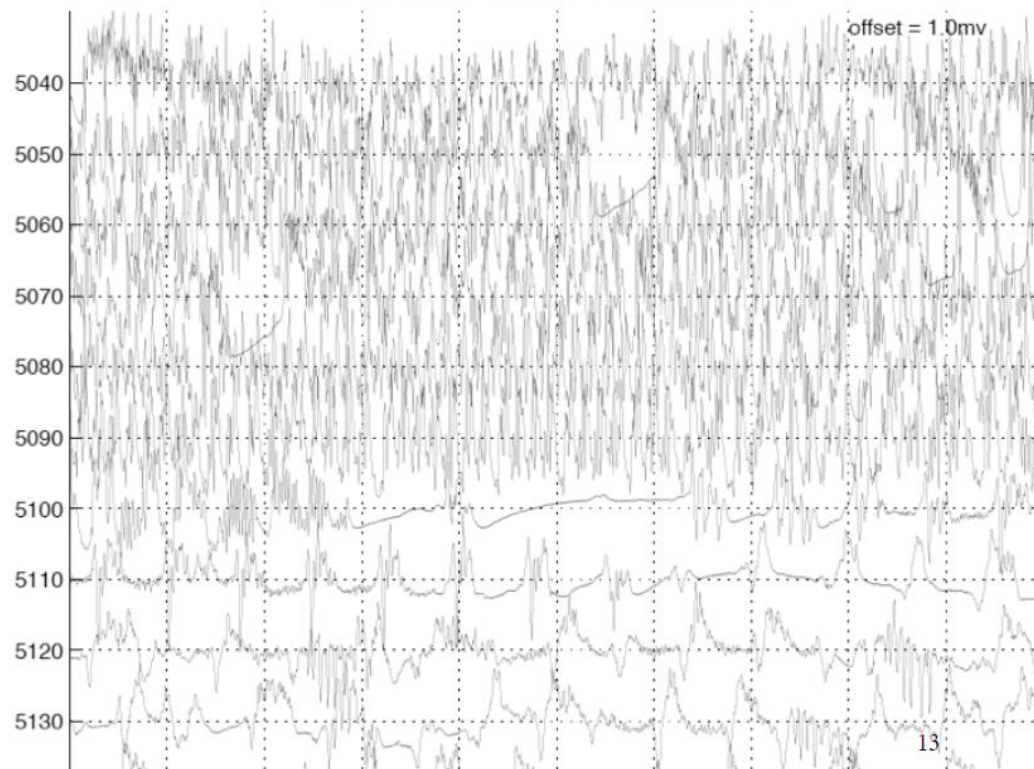
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Computational Neuroscience
A Comprehensive Approach
CRC Mathematical Biology and
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Parallels between Earthquakes, Financial crashes and epileptic seizures

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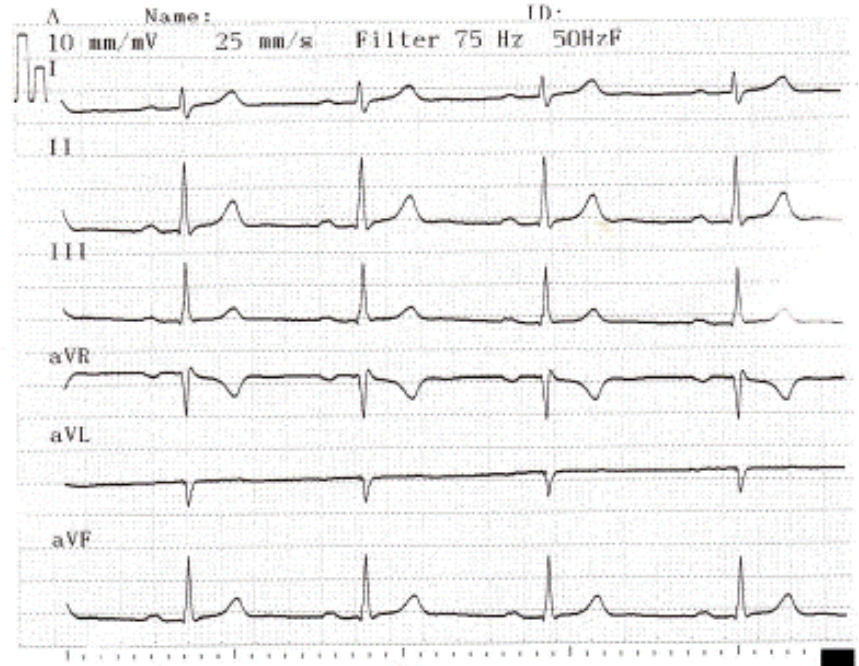
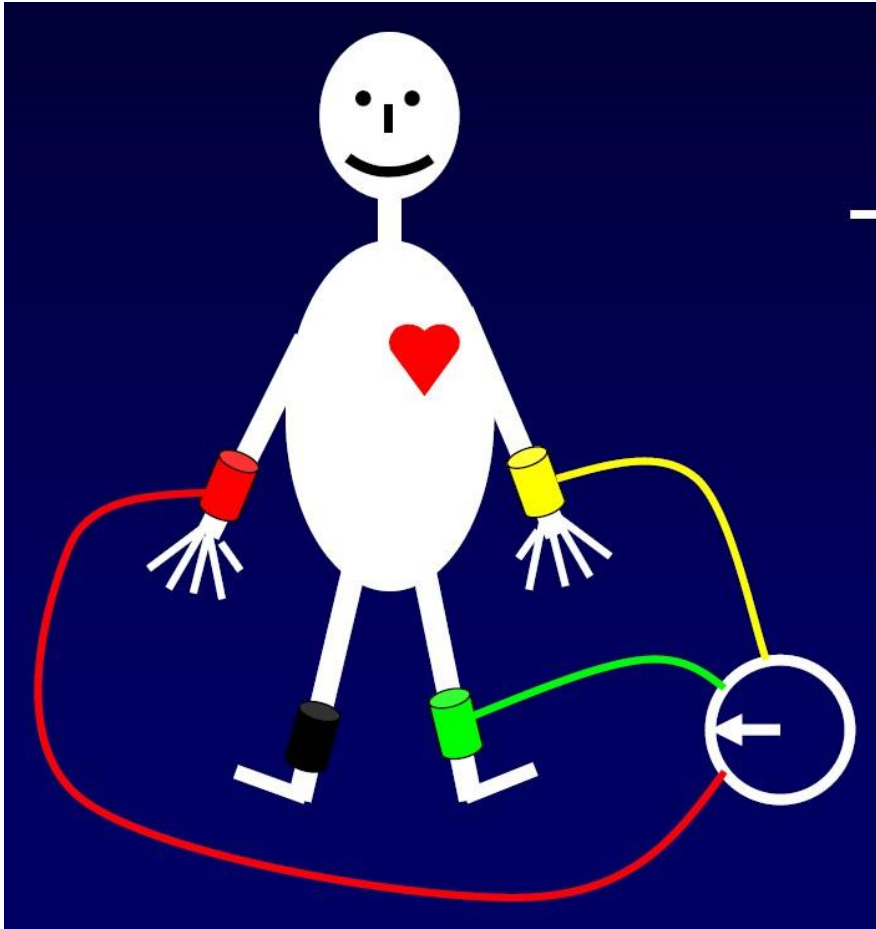
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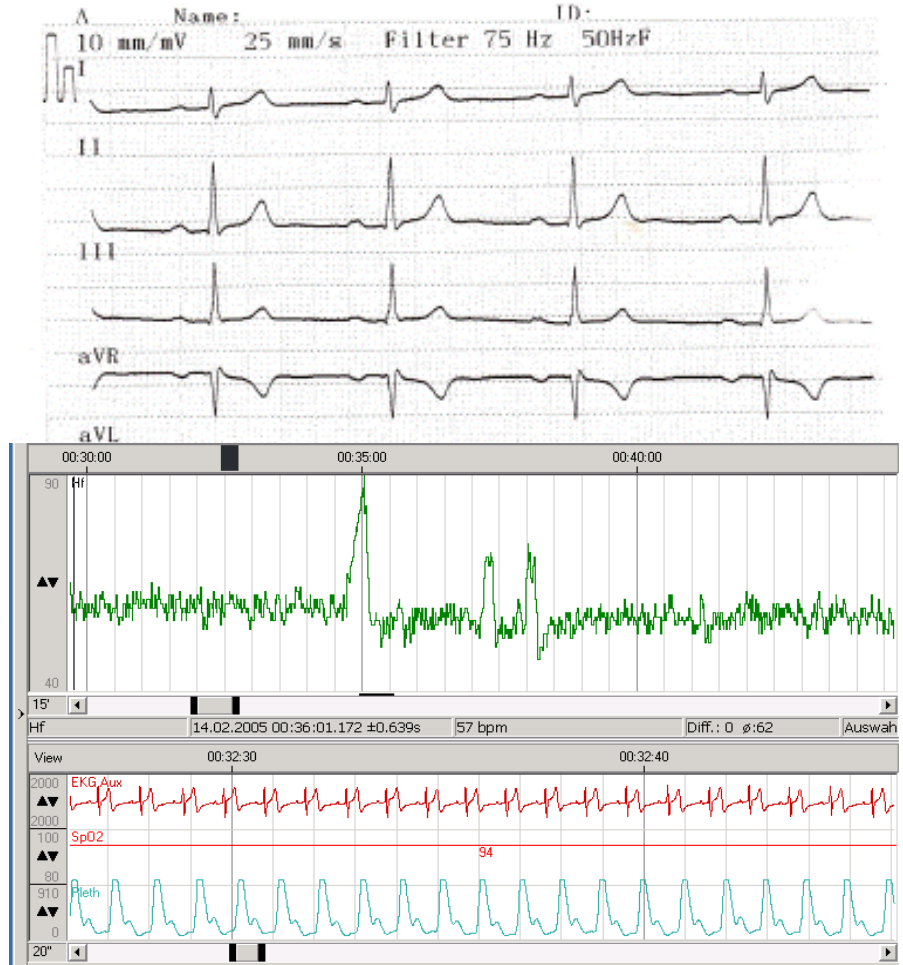
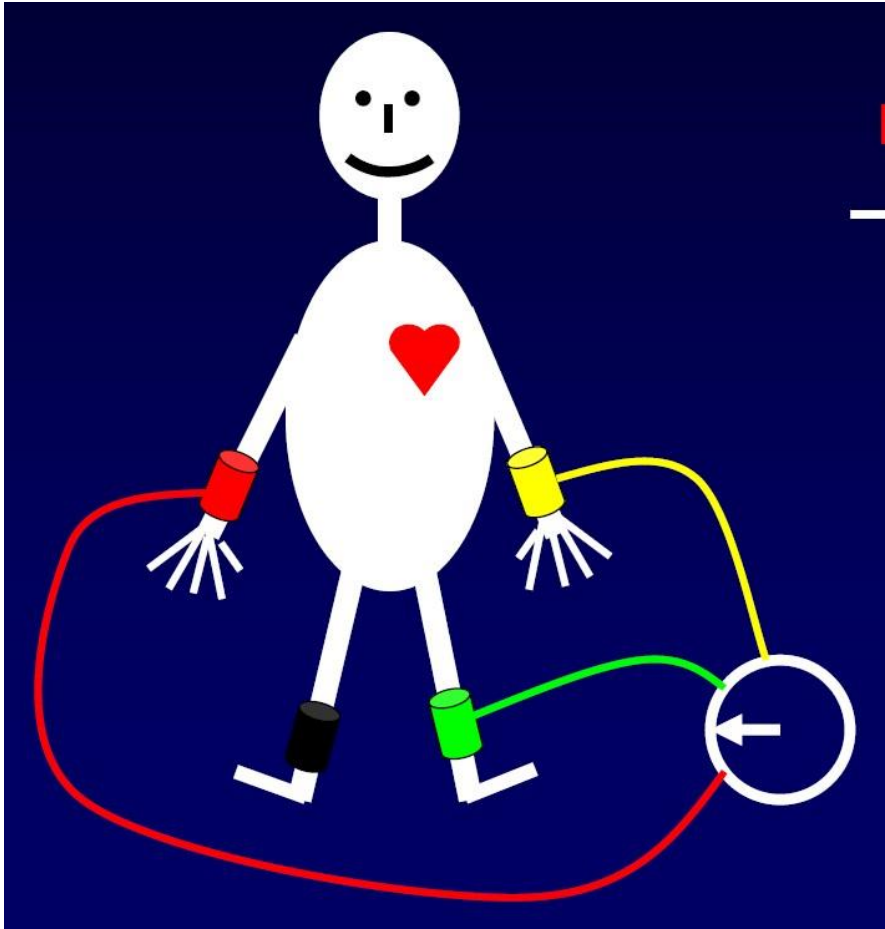
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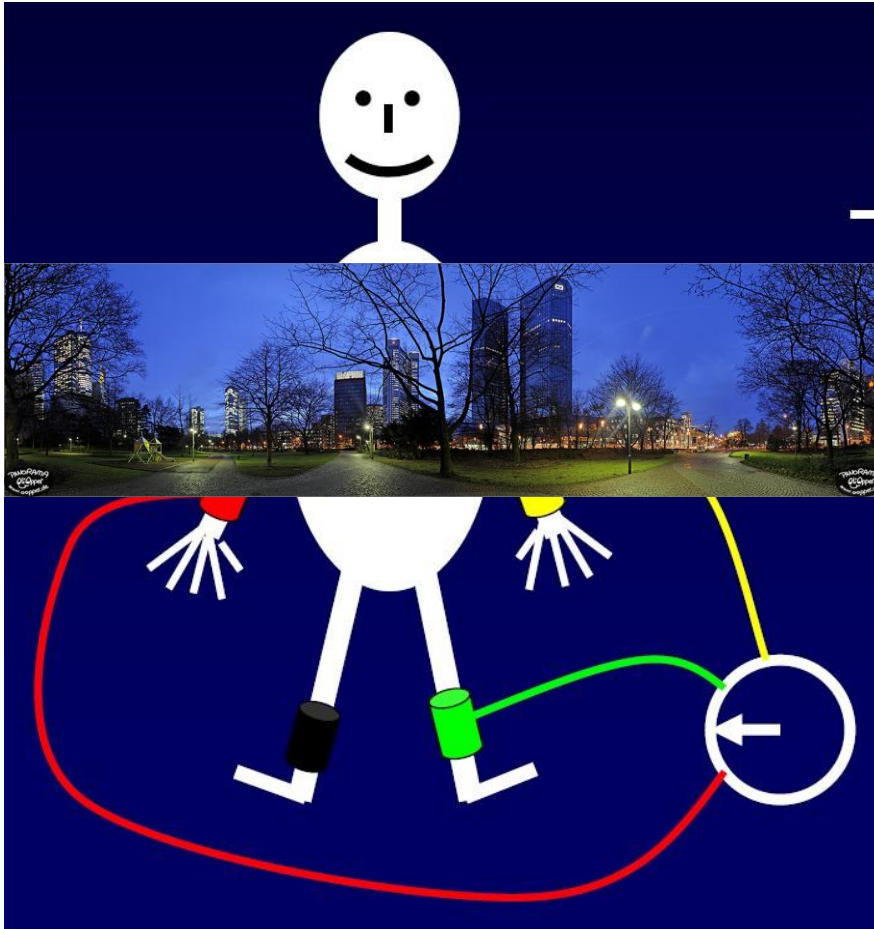
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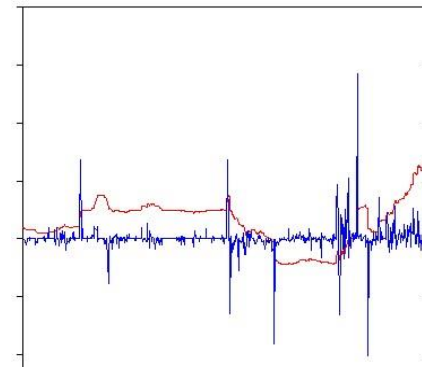
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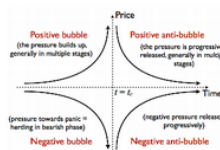
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The mechanics of the balance sheet – an engineers approach

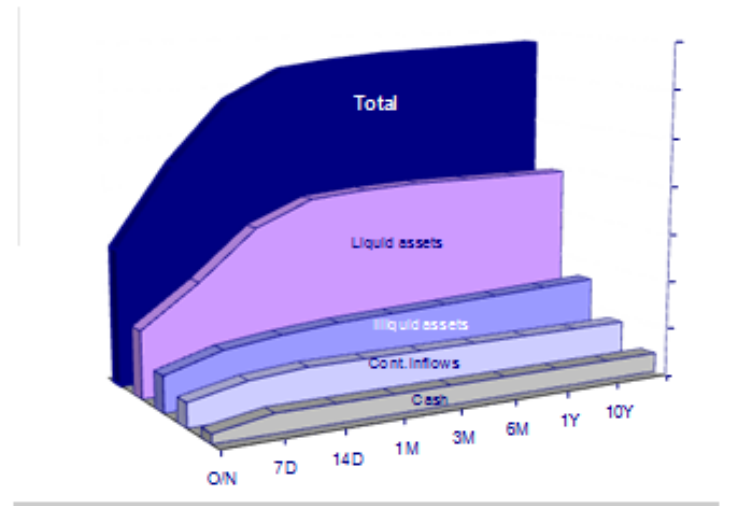
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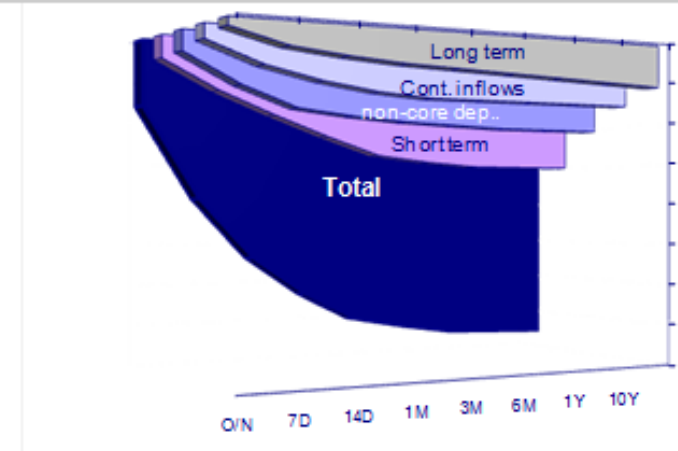
Stylized Balance Sheet	
Assets	Liabilities
Cash balance	Short-term funding
Liquid assets (unencumbered)	
Illiquid assets	Non-core deposits
	Core deposits
	Long-term funding
	Share capital

Averaged balance sheet total of the big German banks: 490 bn Euros

Source: Bundesbankstatistik, July 2011



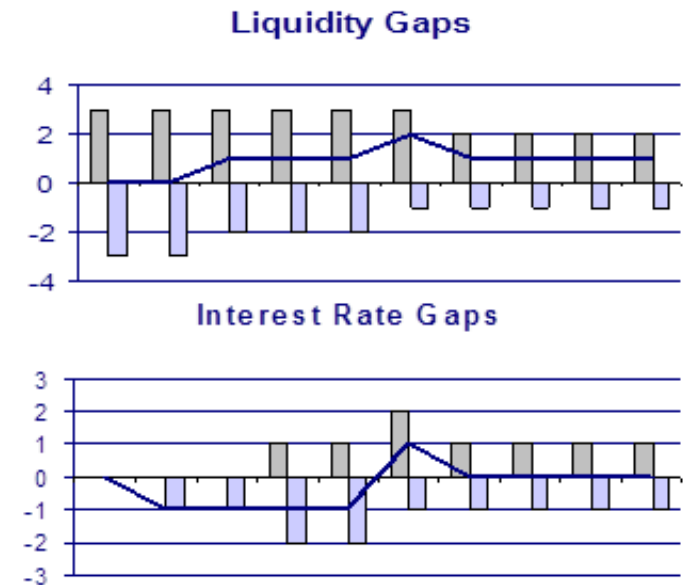
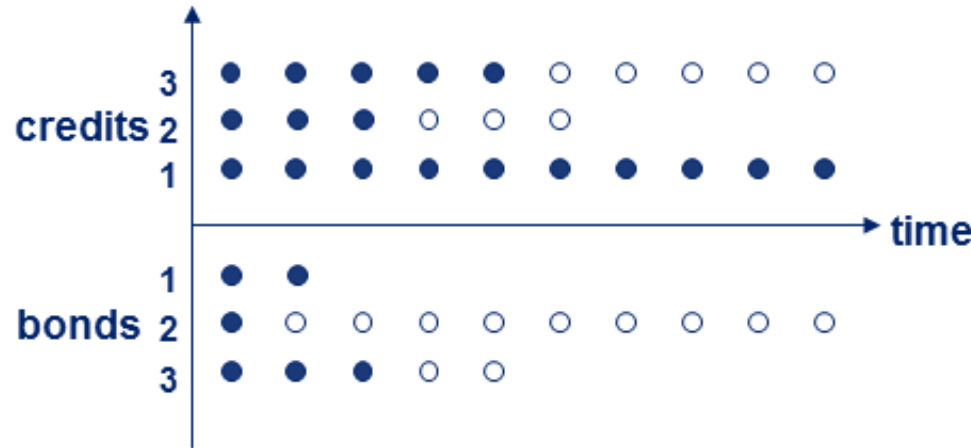
Cumulated outflows (cash ladder)



Counting and labelling monetary units in time

Consolidation: The ball model

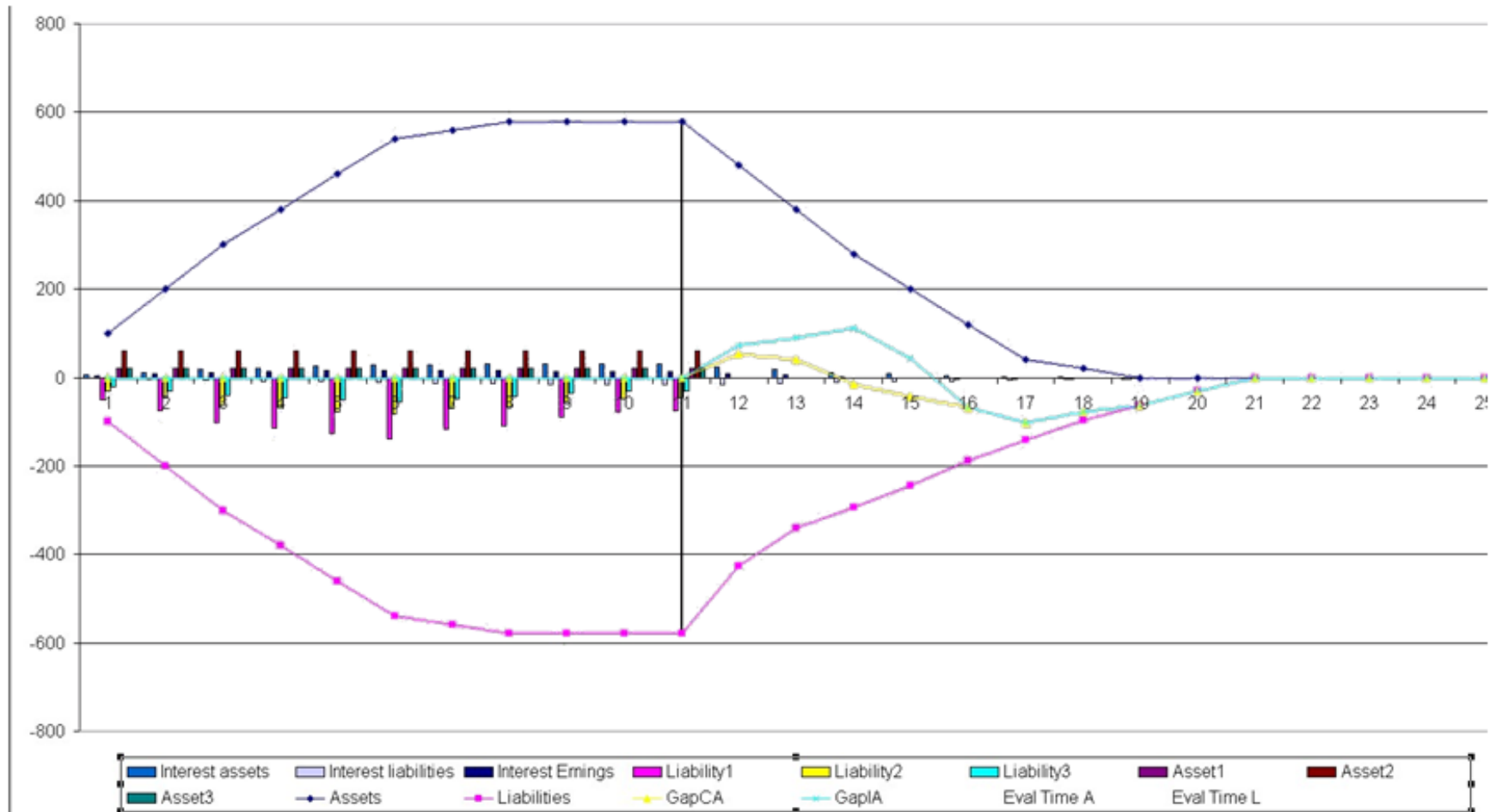
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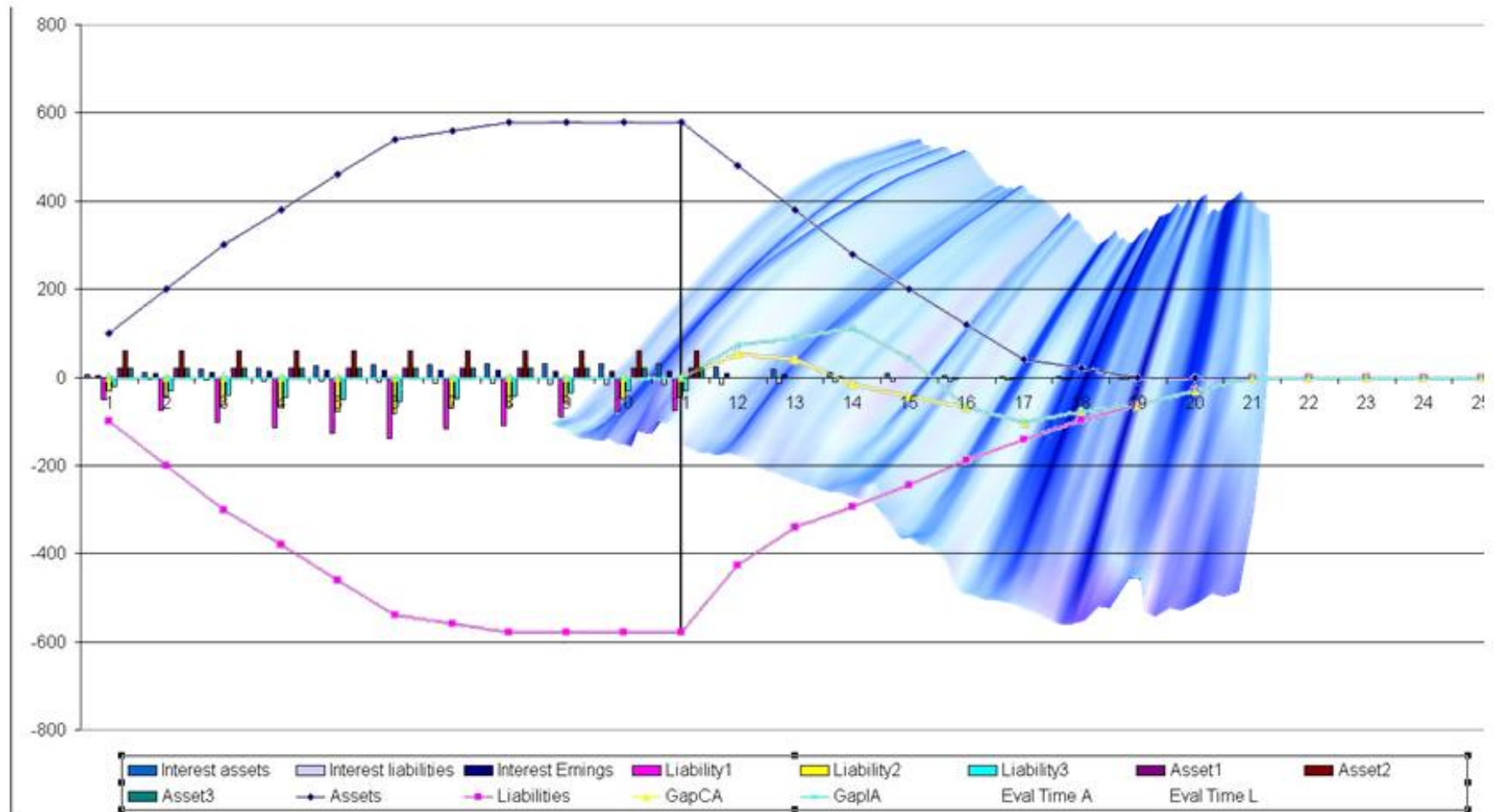
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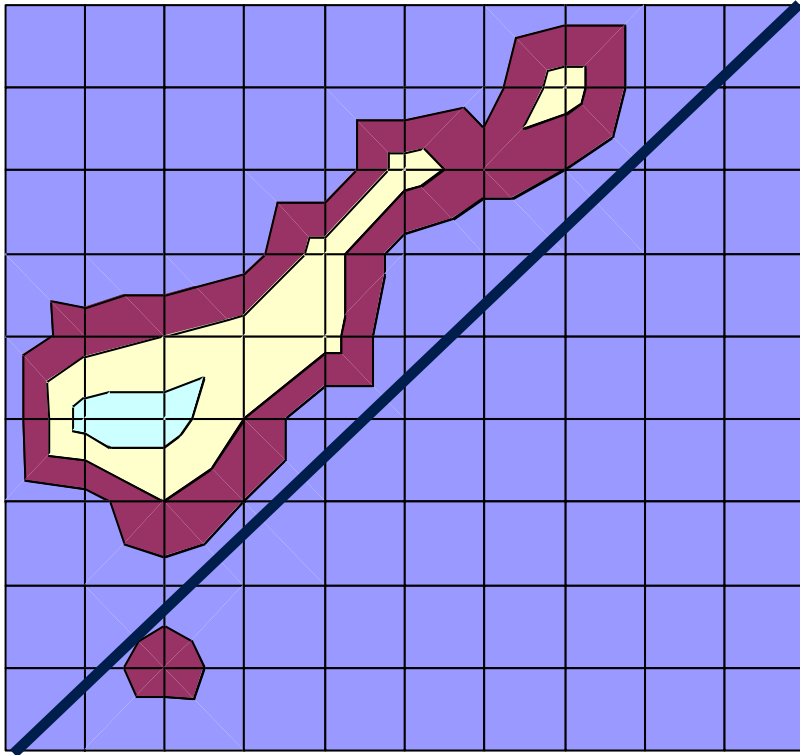
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The costs of the crisis

SoFFin (Sonderfonds Finanzmarktstabilisierung)

Financial Market Stabilization Fund
guarantees of up to 400bn Euros
recapitalize or purchase assets for up
to 80bn Euros

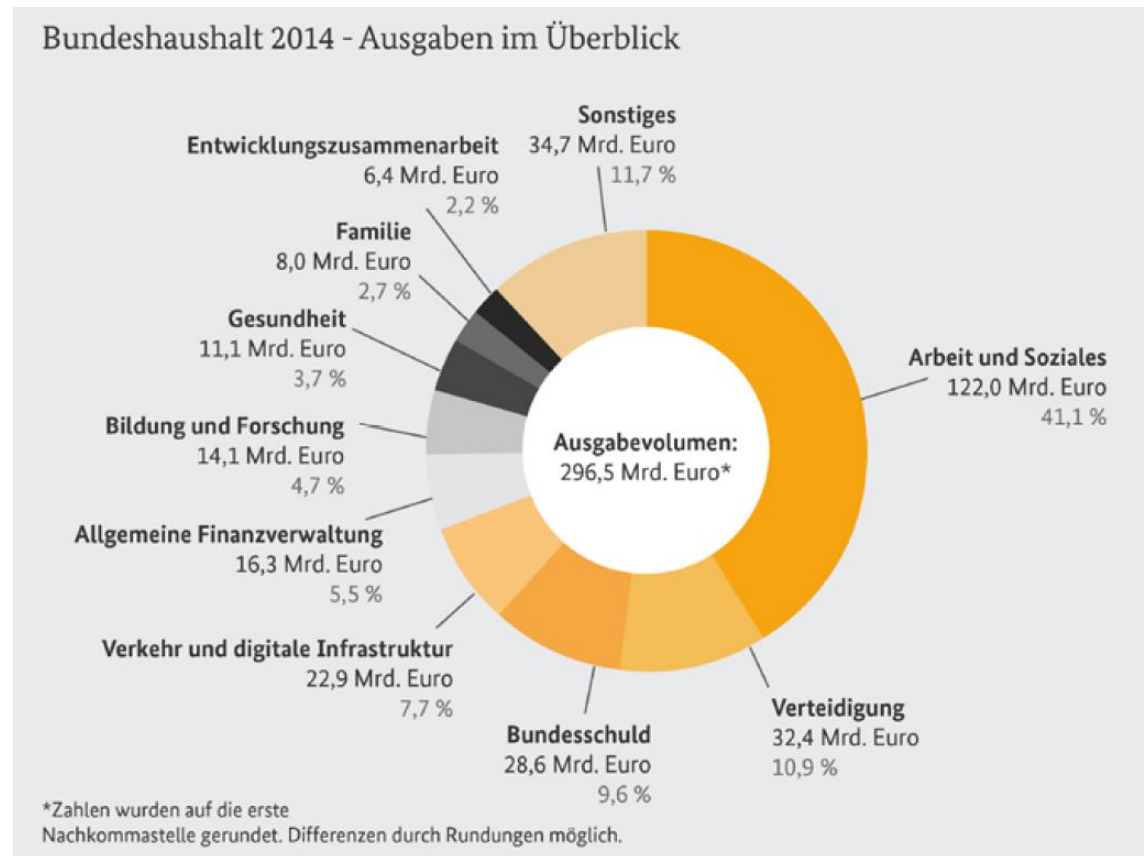
Accumulated losses of the SoFFin:

- » 2009: 4.3 billion Euros
- » 2010: 4.8 billion Euros
- » 2011: 13.1 billion Euros
- » 2012: 23 billion Euros
- » 2013: 21.5 billion Euros
- » 2014: 21.9 billion Euros

Equity recapitalizations (30.06.2012) :

- » Aareal Bank AG: 0.3
- » Commerzbank AG: 6.7
- » Hypo Real Estate: 9.8
- » WestLB AG: 3.0

296,5 billion EUR in 2014



Visualizing US debt – 1



100 dollars

Visualizing US debt – 2



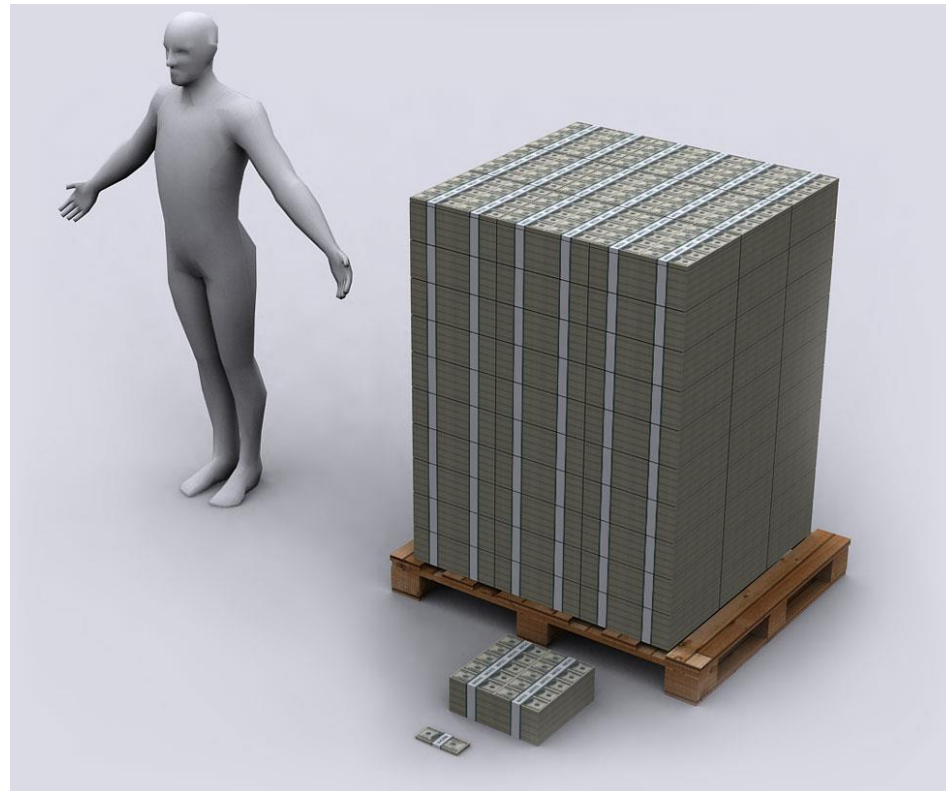
10.000 dollars – average years income world wide

Visualizing US debt – 3



1 million dollars

Visualizing US debt – 4



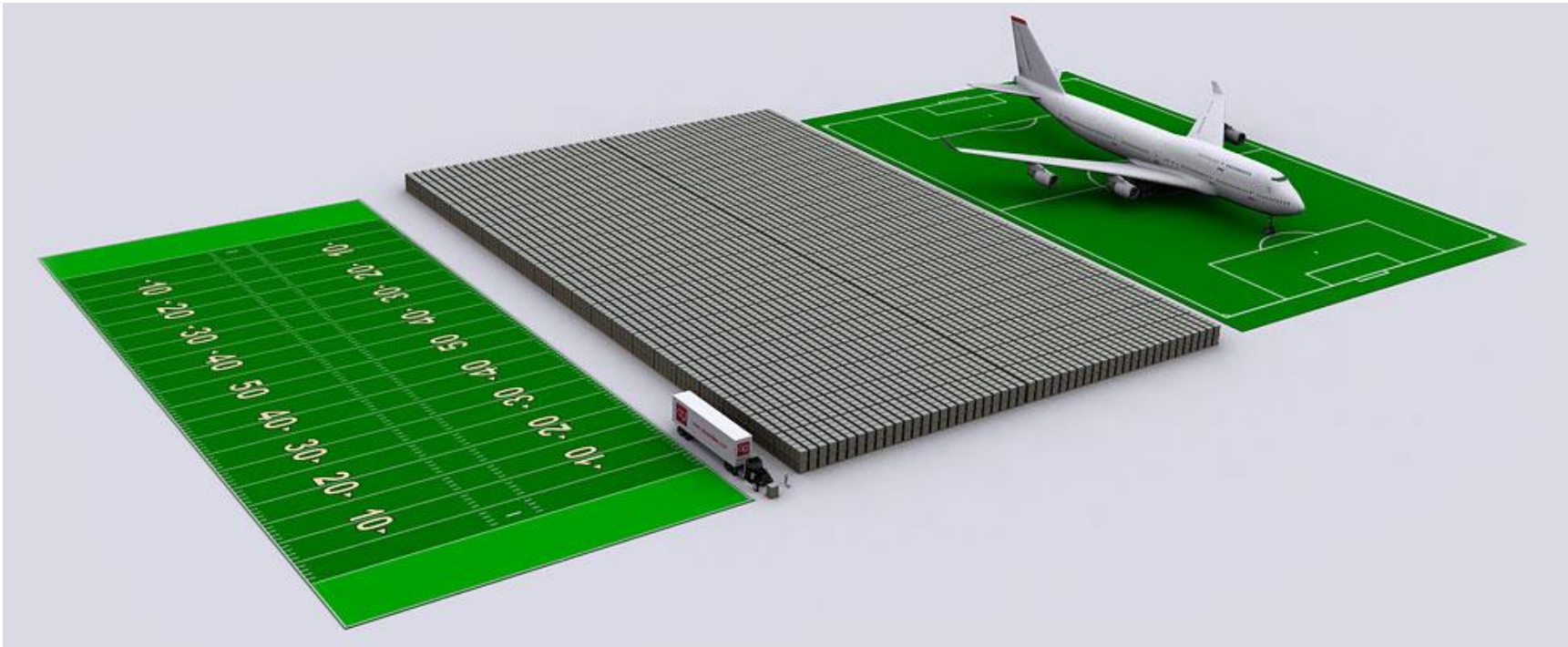
100 million dollars – This amount can be transported on a europallet

Visualizing US debt – 5



1 billion dollars – 10 europallets, not easy to transport

Visualizing US debt – 6



1 trillion dollars – in comparison to an American Football field or a Boeing 747

Visualizing US debt – 7



15 trillion dollars – represents the forecasted national debt of the USA at the end of 2011

Visualizing US debt – 8



114,5 trillion dollars –
sum of all unsecured obligations of the
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pensions, social services and private debt

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Visualizing US debt – 8



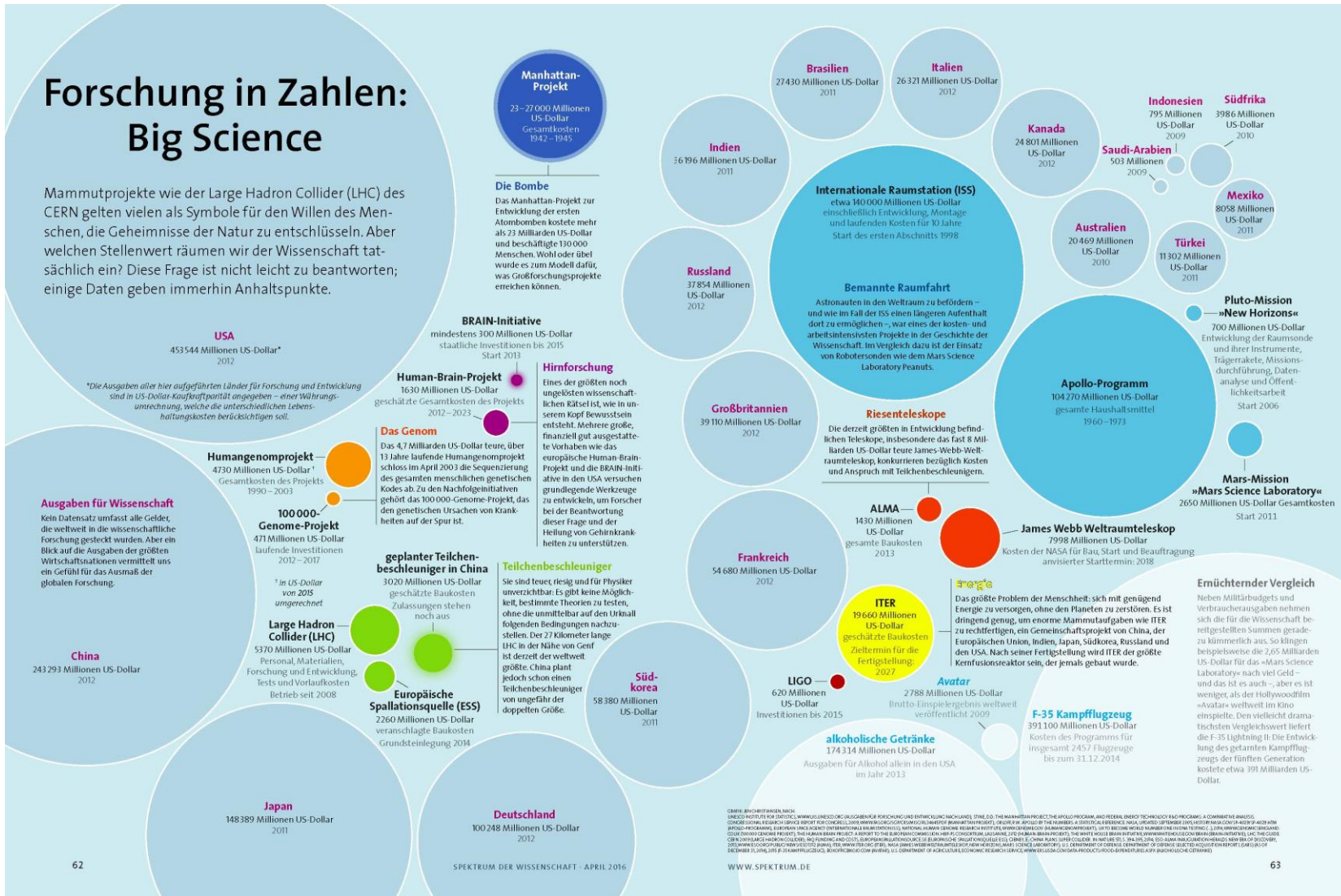
114,5 trillion dollars –

There are 10^{11} stars in the galaxy. That used to be a huge number. But it's only a hundred billion. It's less than the national deficit! We used to call them astronomical numbers. Now we should call them economical numbers.

Richard Feynman (1918–1988)

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Cost of science (budget)

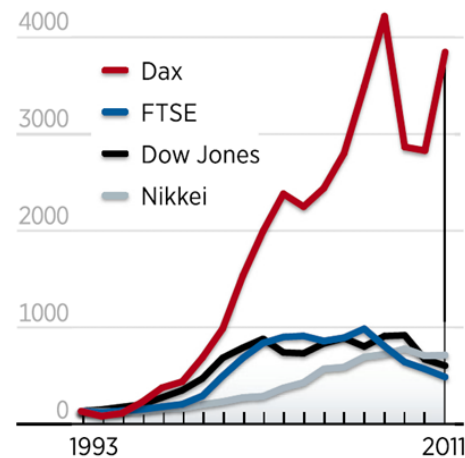


Is the financial complexity manageable?

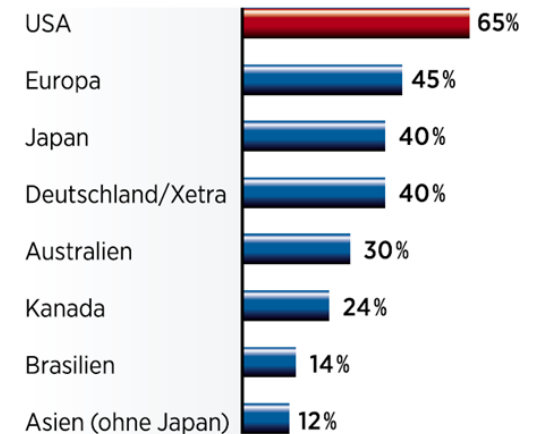
High frequency trading

- » HFT incorporates proprietary trading strategies carried out by computers
- » Electronic exchanges were first authorized by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission in 1998
- » Execution times have fallen from several seconds in the year 2000 to milliseconds on modern systems

Zahl der **gehandelten Aktien**
Index 1993 = 100



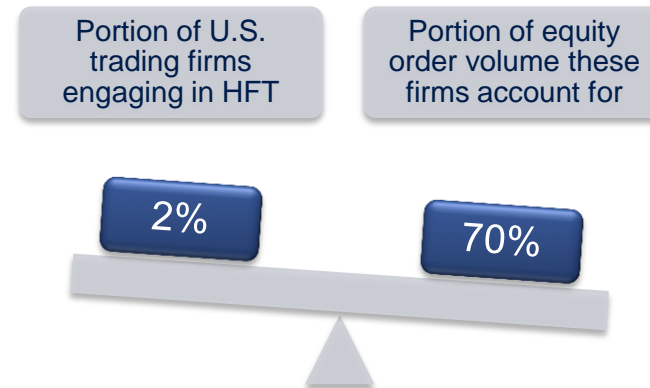
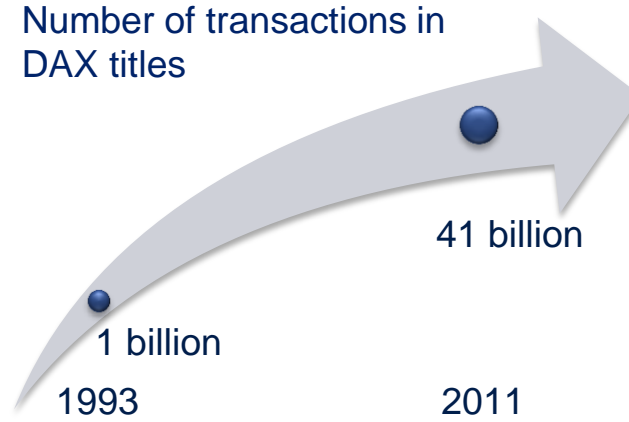
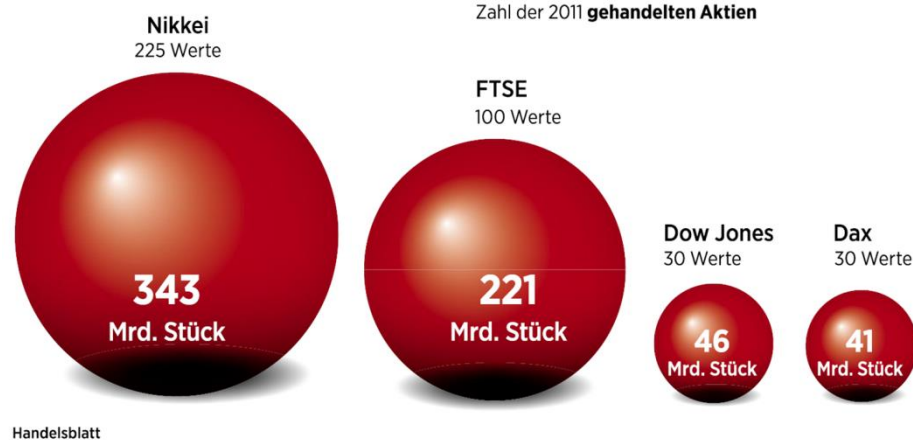
Anteil des **Hochfrequenzhandels**
am Aktienhandel in Prozent



Volume of high frequency trading

- » Portion of HFT in U.S. equity trades has increased from less than 10 % in 2000 to over 70% in 2010
- » About 40% of Xetra transactions are carried out by HFT systems

Rasante Beschleunigung

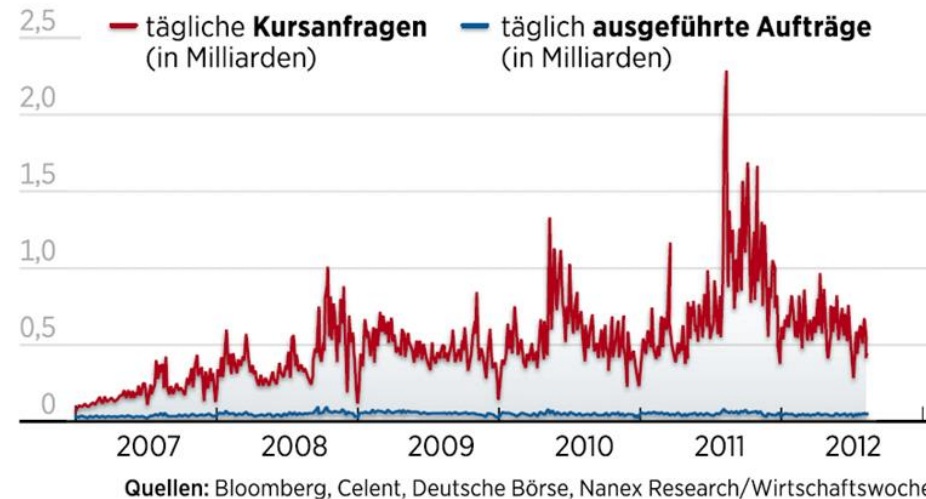


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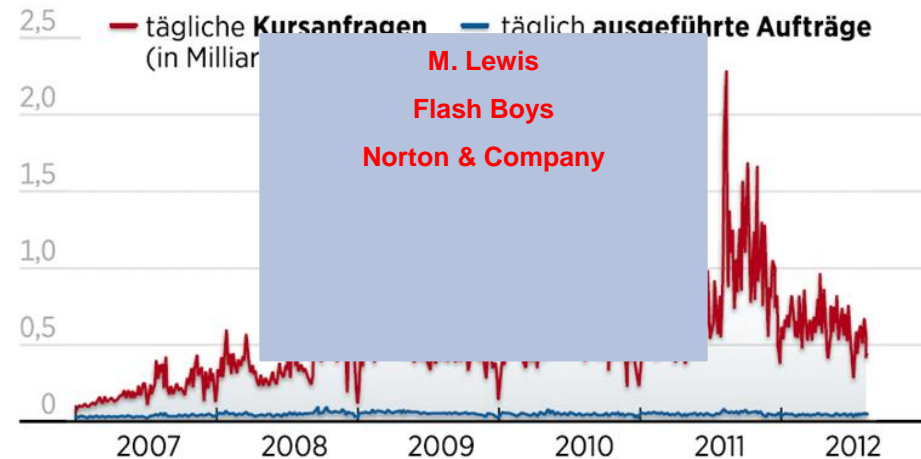
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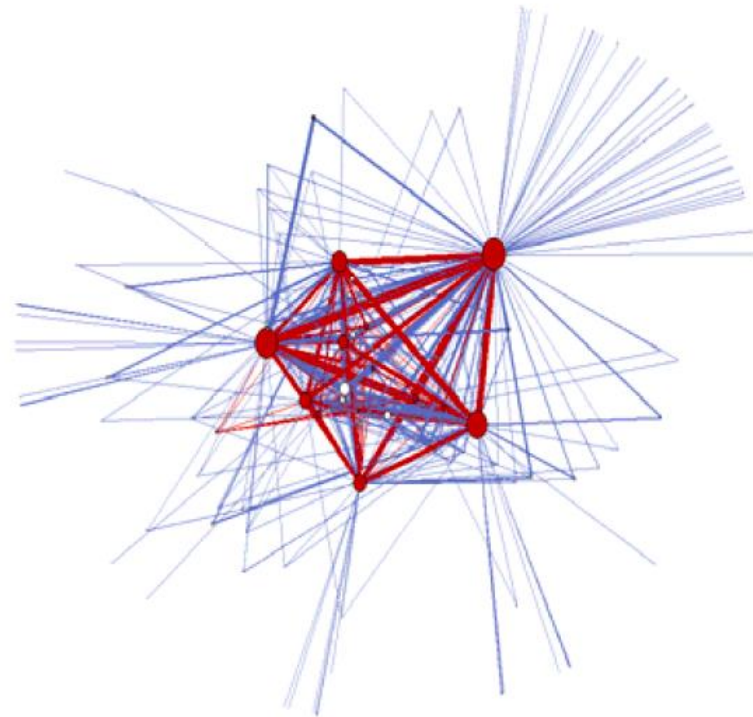
Quellen: Bloomberg, Celent, Deutsche Börse, Nanex Research/Wirtschaftswoche

Network topologies of interbank payments

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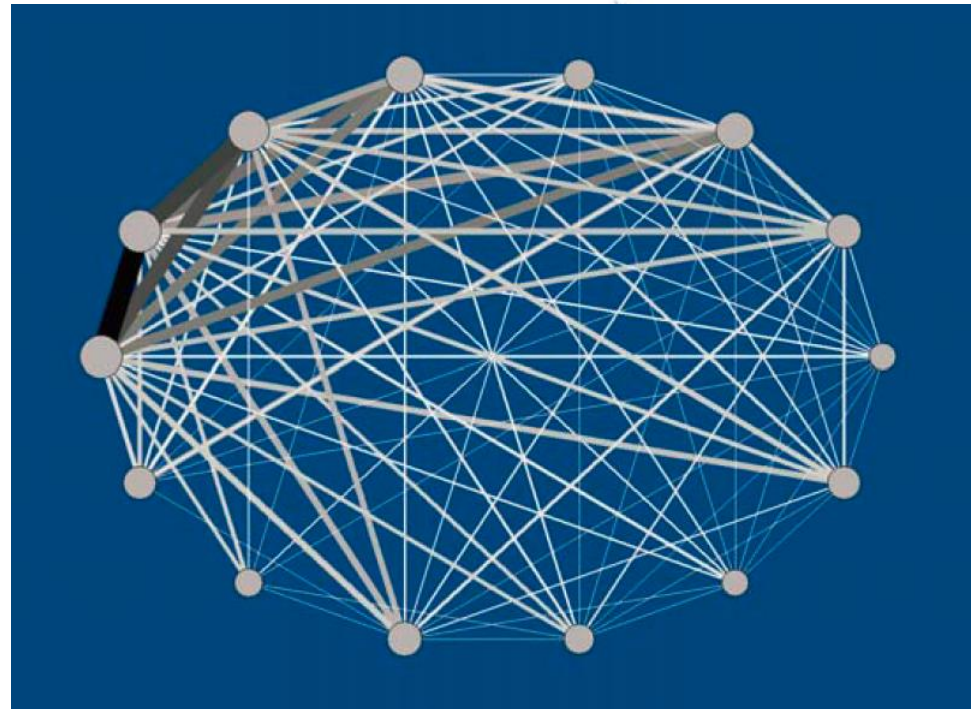
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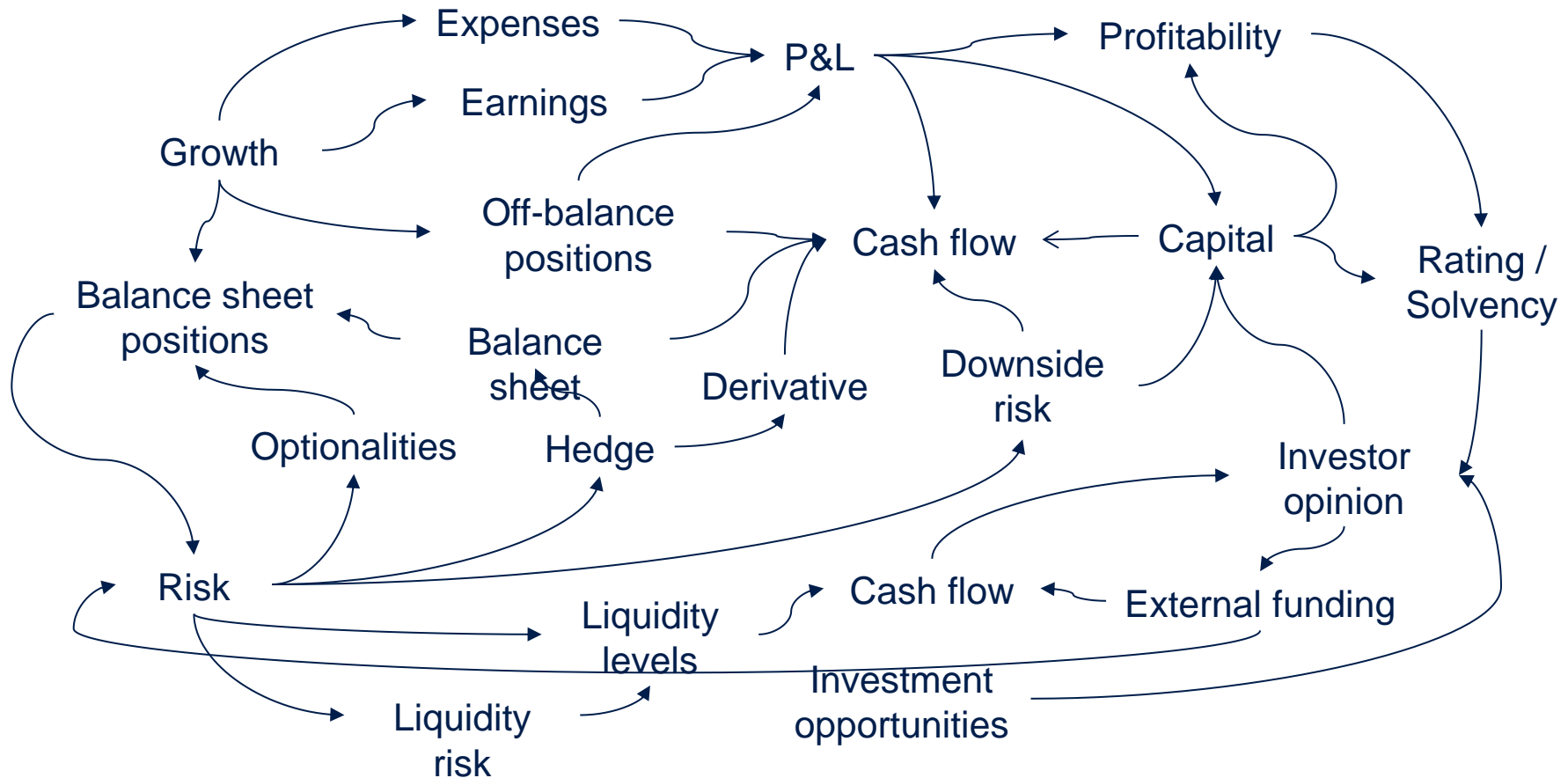
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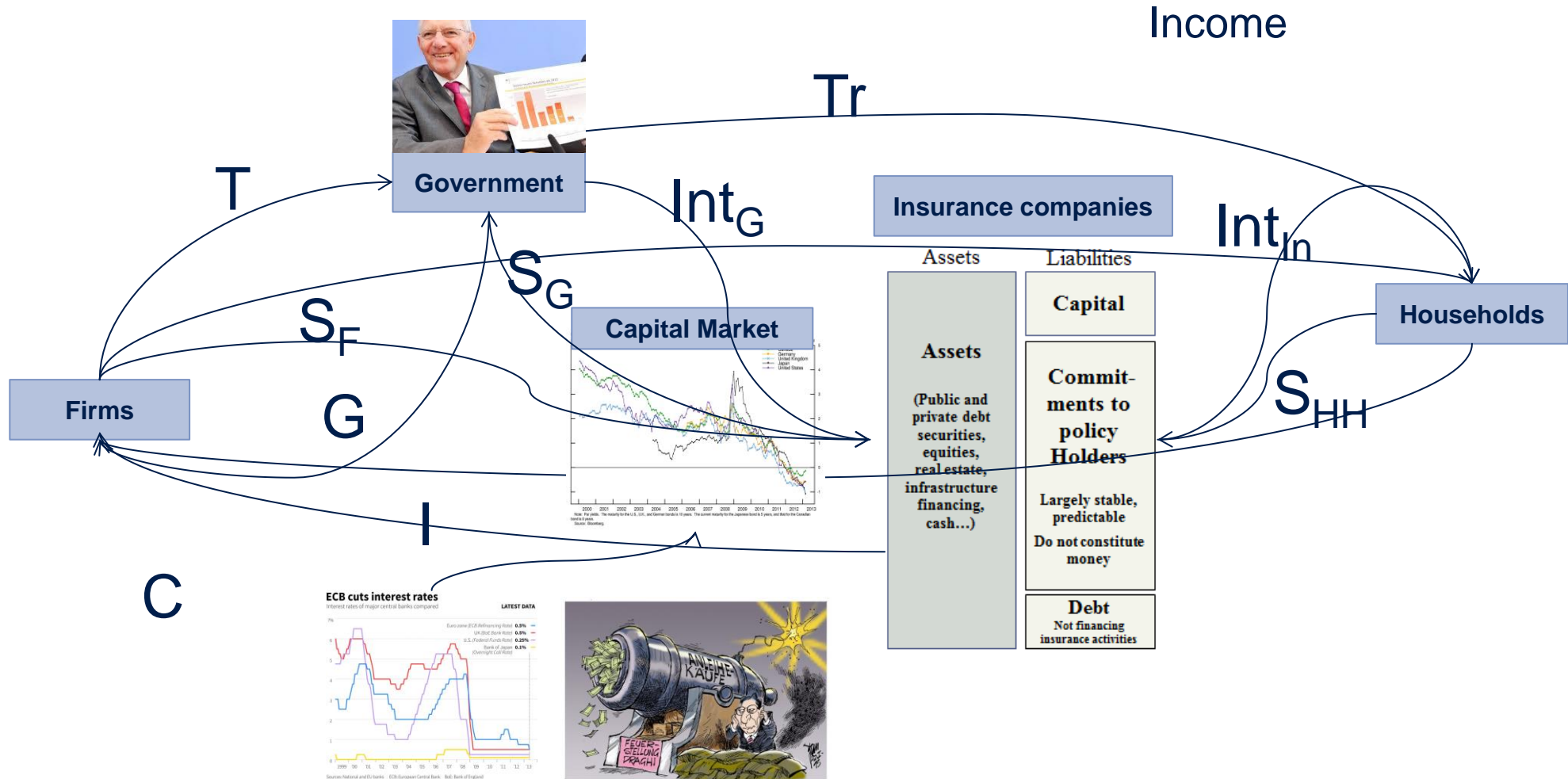
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Economics and banking – a complex network of dependencies



Complexity and networks: Economy and insurance companies



Insurance companies form a vital part of the macroeconomic flow chart

Complexity and networks: All of us are affected

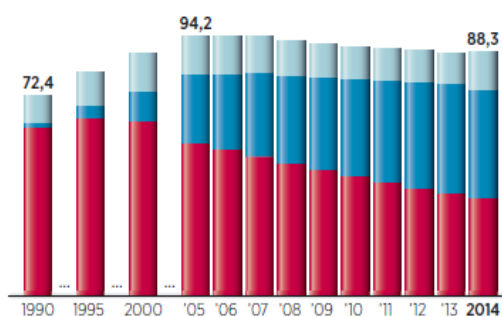


Lebensversicherung in Zahlen - die Luft wird dünner

Bestand an Policen

Zahl der Verträge** in Millionen

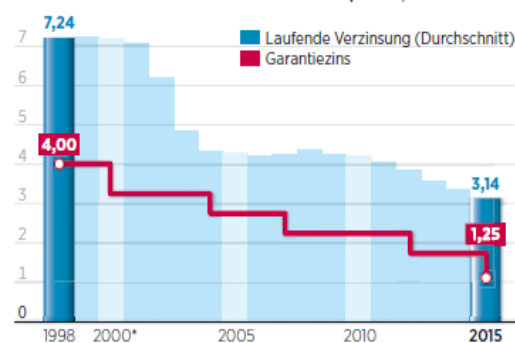
Art der Versicherung: Kapital Renten Risiko



Chronischer Renditeschwund

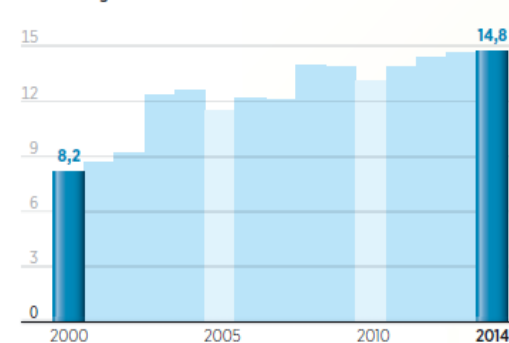
Garantierte und tatsächliche Zinsen von Lebenspolicen, in Prozent

Laufende Verzinsung (Durchschnitt) Garantiezins



Vorzeitige Ausschüttungen

Entwicklung des Stornovolumens in Mrd. Euro



Handelsblatt | *Hauptversicherungen; **2000: bis Juni 4 %, ab Juli 3,25 %
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Complexity and networks: All of us are affected

Sinkende Zinsen schmälern die Altersvorsorge - was tun?

Beispiel 1: 30-Jähriger

Einkommen: 70 000 € jährlich, Rentenziel: 3929 € monatlich,
Zinsen für die private Altersvorsorge sinken von 5% auf 3%

Beispiel 2: 45-Jähriger

Einkommen: 70 000 € jährlich, Rentenziel: 3143 € monatlich,
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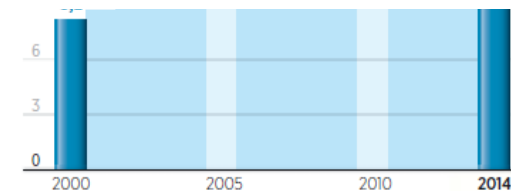
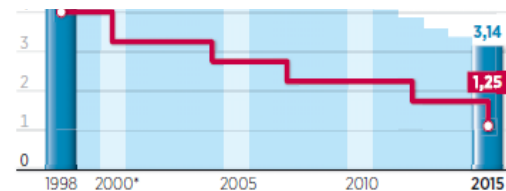
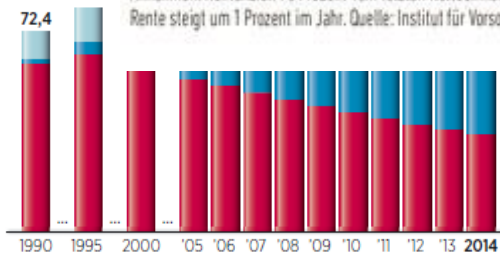
Rente mit 69 statt 67 Jahren

Monatlich 484 € statt 319 €

Rente mit 68 statt 67 Jahren

Monatlich 684 € statt 542 €

Annahmen: Rentenziel: 70 Prozent vom letzten Nettoeinkommen vor dem Ruhestand. Einkommen, private Rentenzahlung und Inflation steigen um 1,5 Prozent im Jahr, Verzinsung der privaten Altersvorsorge im Ruhestand: 3,5 Prozent. Gesetzliche Rente steigt um 1 Prozent im Jahr. Quelle: Institut für Vorsorge und Finanzplanung / F.A.Z.-Grafik Niebel



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Collecting and processing information



Digital economy is founded on data

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Combating the crisis: When does financial instability become so widespread that it impairs the functioning of a financial system?

- » Need a robust measure for systemic financial stress, here: *CISS = Composite Indicator of Systemic Stress*
- » CISS includes 15 individual stress indicators in five segments:

Money market	Bond market	Equity market	Financial intermediaries	FX market
3M Euribor realised vola.	German 10Y Bond realised vola.	NFS stock market index realised vola.	Realised vola. equity return of bank sector index	FX rate EUR - USD realised vola.
Interest rate Spread: 3M Euribor - 3M Frech T-Bills	Yield-Spread: A-rated NFC vs. gov. Bonds (7Y)	NFS maximum cumulated index losses over 2Y window	Yield-Spread: A-rated NFC vs. A-rated FC (7Y)	FX rate EUR - GBP realised vola.
MFI emergency lending	10Y interest rate spread	Stock-bond correlation	FS equity market maximum cumulated book-price ratio (2Y-wind.)	FX rate EUR - JPY realised vola.

- » On basis of the raw stress indicators x_i , transformed stress indicators z_i are calculated with the following empirical CDF:

» $(x_{[1]}, x_{[2]}, \dots, x_{[n]})$ denotes the ordered sample with $x_{[1]} \leq x_{[2]} \leq \dots \leq x_{[n]}$

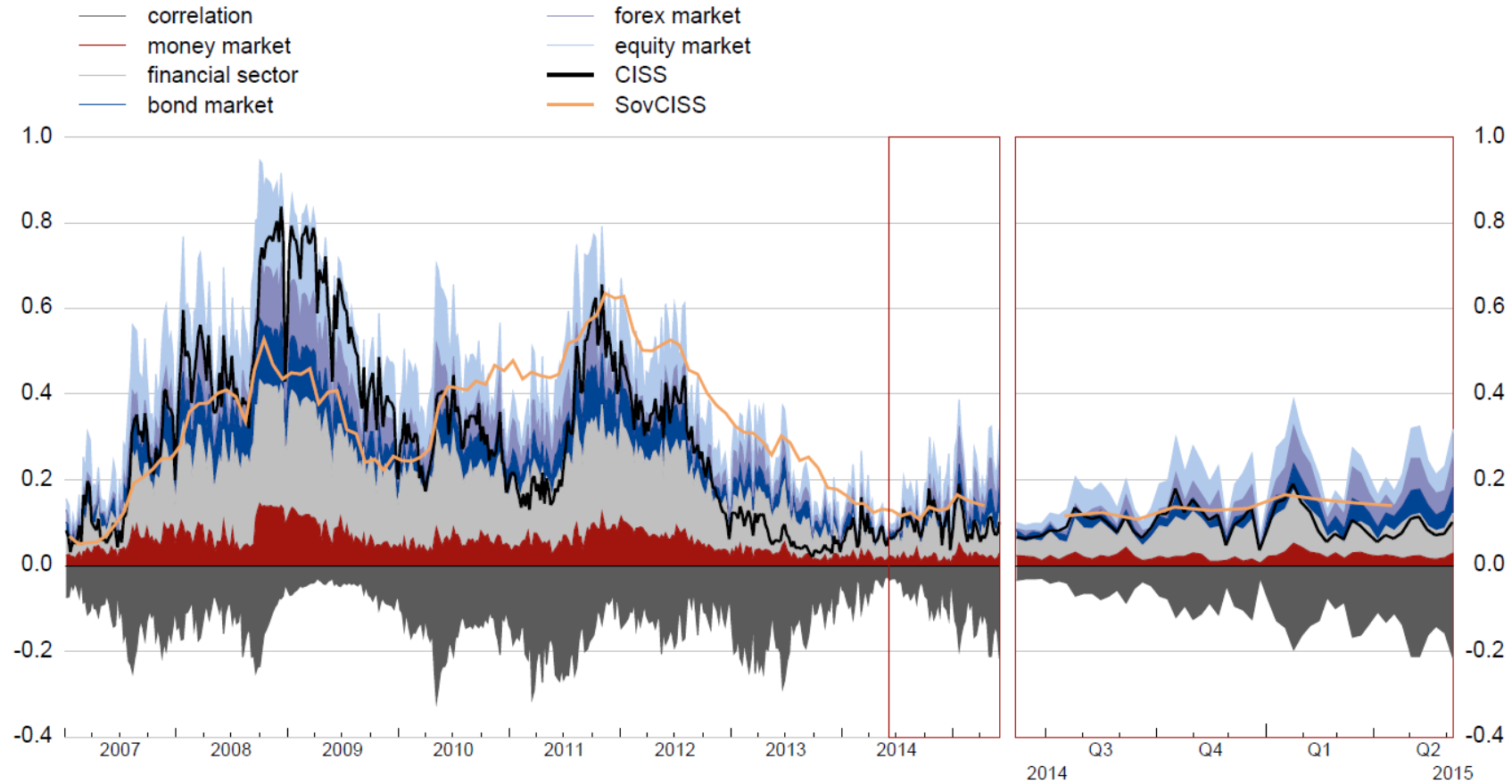
» $z_t := \begin{cases} \frac{r}{n} & \text{for } x_{[r]} \leq x_t < x_{[r+1]}, \quad r \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-1\} \\ 1 & \text{for } x_t > x_{[n]} \end{cases}$ for values running from Jan. 1999 – Jan. 2002

» $z_{n+T} := \begin{cases} \frac{r}{n+T} & \text{for } x_{[r]} \leq x_{n+T} < x_{[r+1]}, \quad r \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-1, \dots, n+T-1\} \\ 1 & \text{for } x_{n+T} > x_{[n+T]} \end{cases}$ to update CISS with near real time data

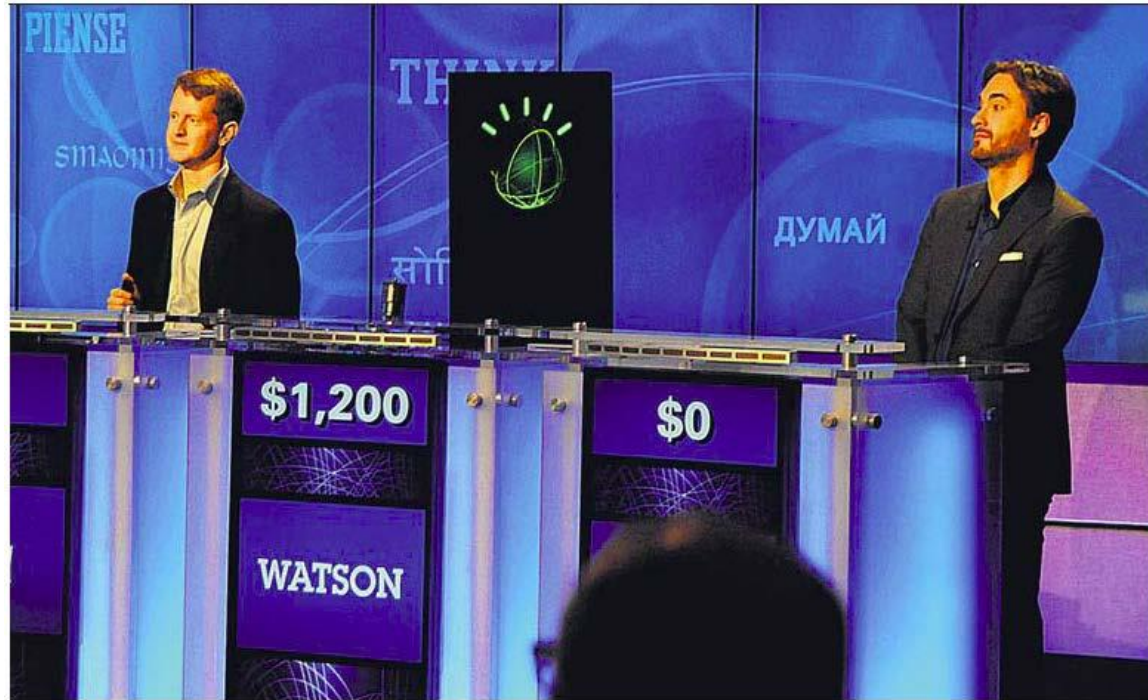
- » In every segment, the stress factors are aggregated by the arithmetic average, denoted $s_{i,t}$, $i \in \{1, \dots, 5\}$.
- » The CISS for time t ($CISS_t$) is computed with methods from portfolio theory:
 - » $CISS_t = \sum_{i,j} (w \cdot s_t)_i C_{t,i,j} (w \cdot s_t)_j$, with weights $w = (0.15, 0.15, 0.25, 0.3, 0.15)$, and $(w \cdot s)_i$ the component wise multiplication
 - » And the cor.-matrix $C_{t,i,j} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } i = j \\ \rho_{ij,t} & \text{else} \end{cases}$ with $\rho_{ij,t} = \frac{\sigma_{ij,t}}{\sigma_{it} \sigma_{jt}}$, $\sigma_{ij,t} = \lambda \sigma_{ij,t-1} + (1 - \lambda) \widetilde{s}_{i,t} \widetilde{s}_{j,t}$, $\sigma_{i,t}^2 = \lambda \sigma_{i,t-1}^2 + (1 - \lambda) \widetilde{s}_{i,t}^2$, $\widetilde{s}_{i,t} = s_{i,t} - 0.5$, $\lambda \approx 0.93$
- » CISS puts relatively more weight on situations where stress prevails in several market segments.

Combating the crisis: Is the financial and European debt crisis over?

» CISS = Composite Indicator of Systemic Stress



Watson, we need your help!



Mensch gegen Computer: Bei der populären US-Quizshow „Jeopardy!“ siegte die IBM-Maschine. Jetzt hat sie einen neuen Job

Wall Street heuert „Watson“ an

Super-Computer aus der TV-Quizshow „Jeopardy“ macht jetzt Banker arbeitslos

- Citigroup setzt schlaue IBM-Maschine bereits für Risikoanalysen und zur Kundenberatung ein

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Watson wertet Daten von Apple-Nutzern aus

IBM will mit seinem selbst lernenden Computersystem Watson die Gesundheitsdaten von iPhone- und Apple-Watch-Nutzern analysieren – und die Ergebnisse Dritten anbieten.

von Patrick Beuth | 14. April 2015 - 11:35 Uhr

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iPhone und Apple Watch

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Physical models applied to financial markets

The main problem is: Our models have in fact become extremely complex but are still too simple to be able to incorporate the whole spectrum of variables that drive the global economy. A model is necessarily an abstraction without all details of the real world.

When things fall apart



**Vienna,
May 9th, 1873**

**New York, October
25th, 1929**

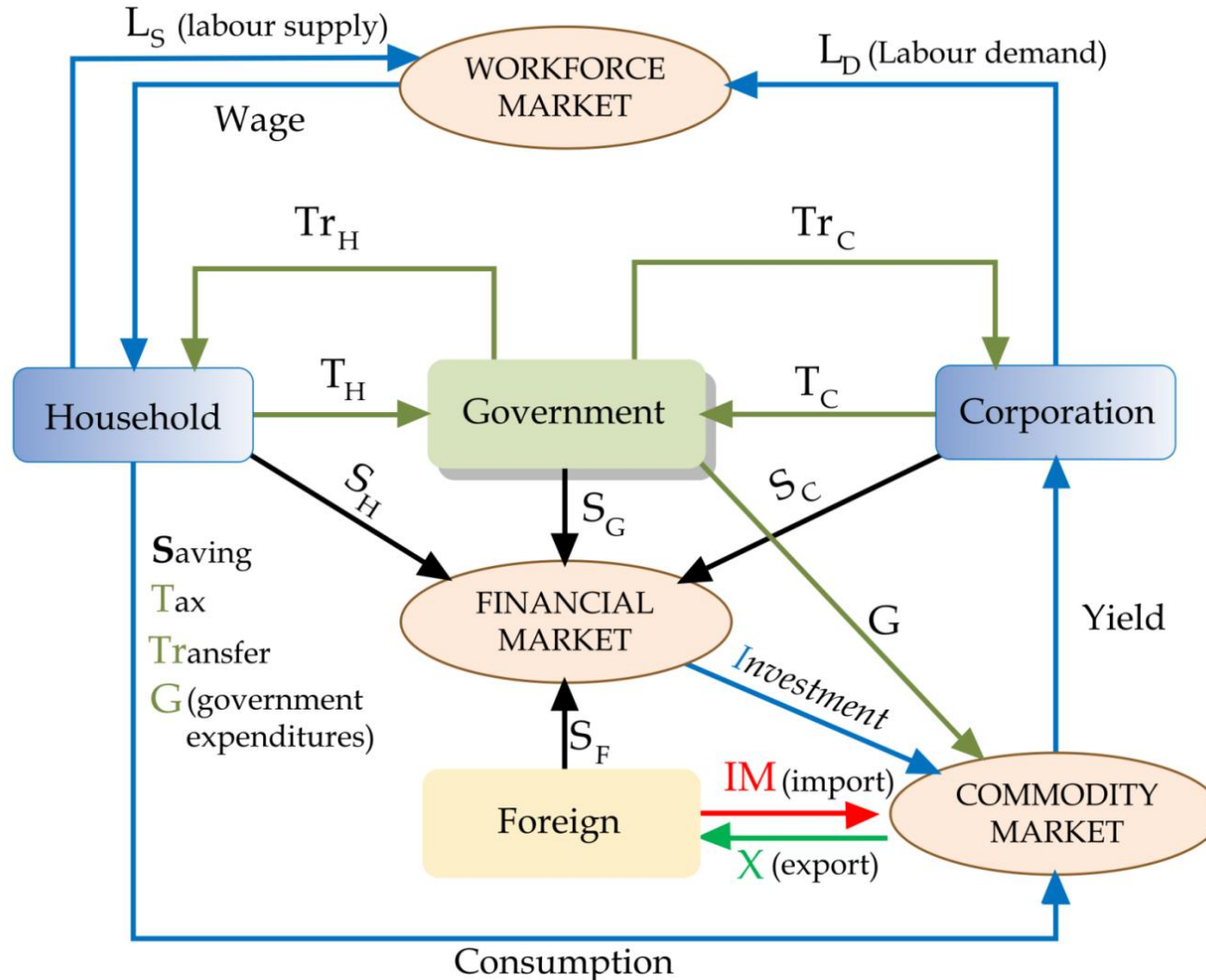
**Northern Rock,
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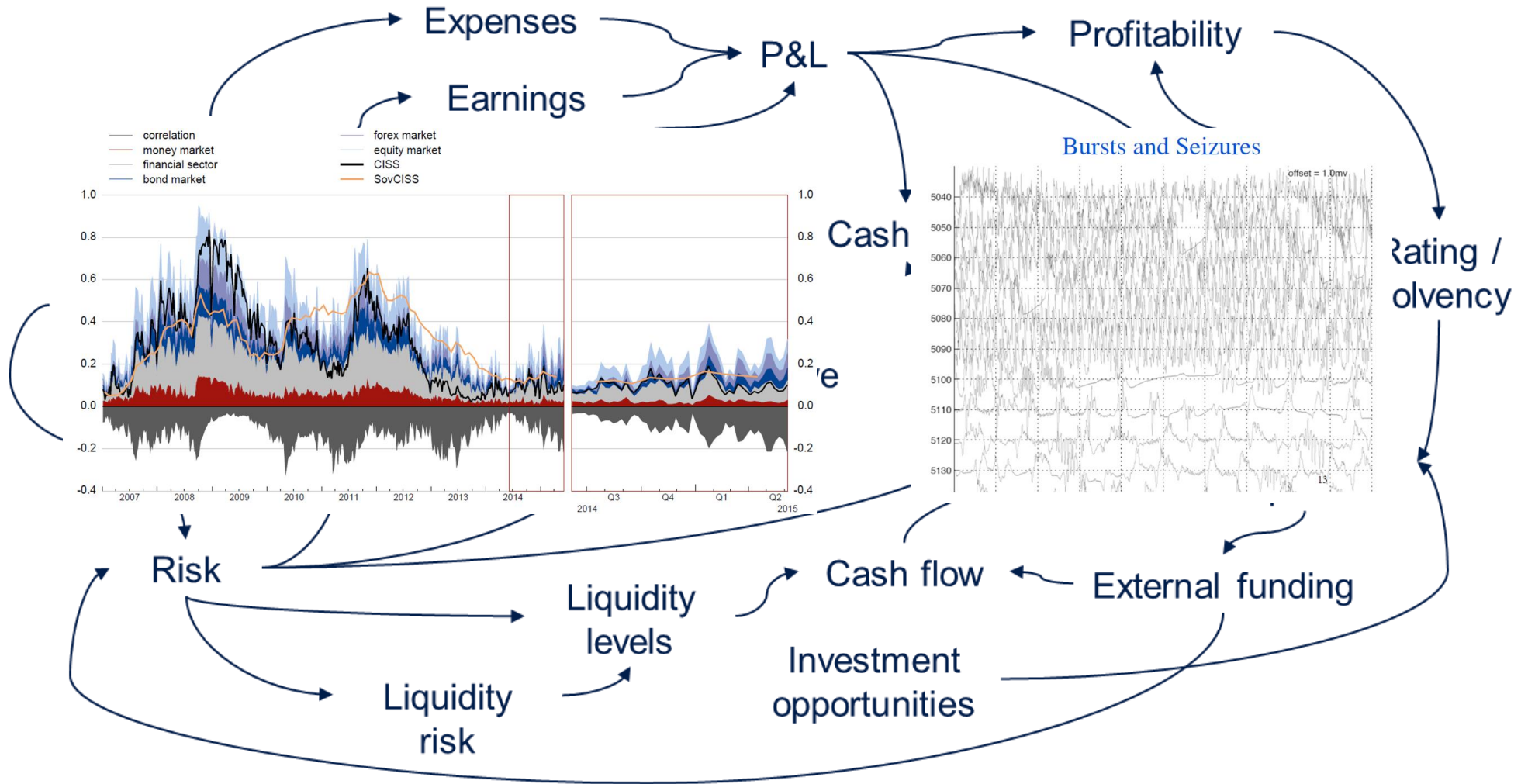
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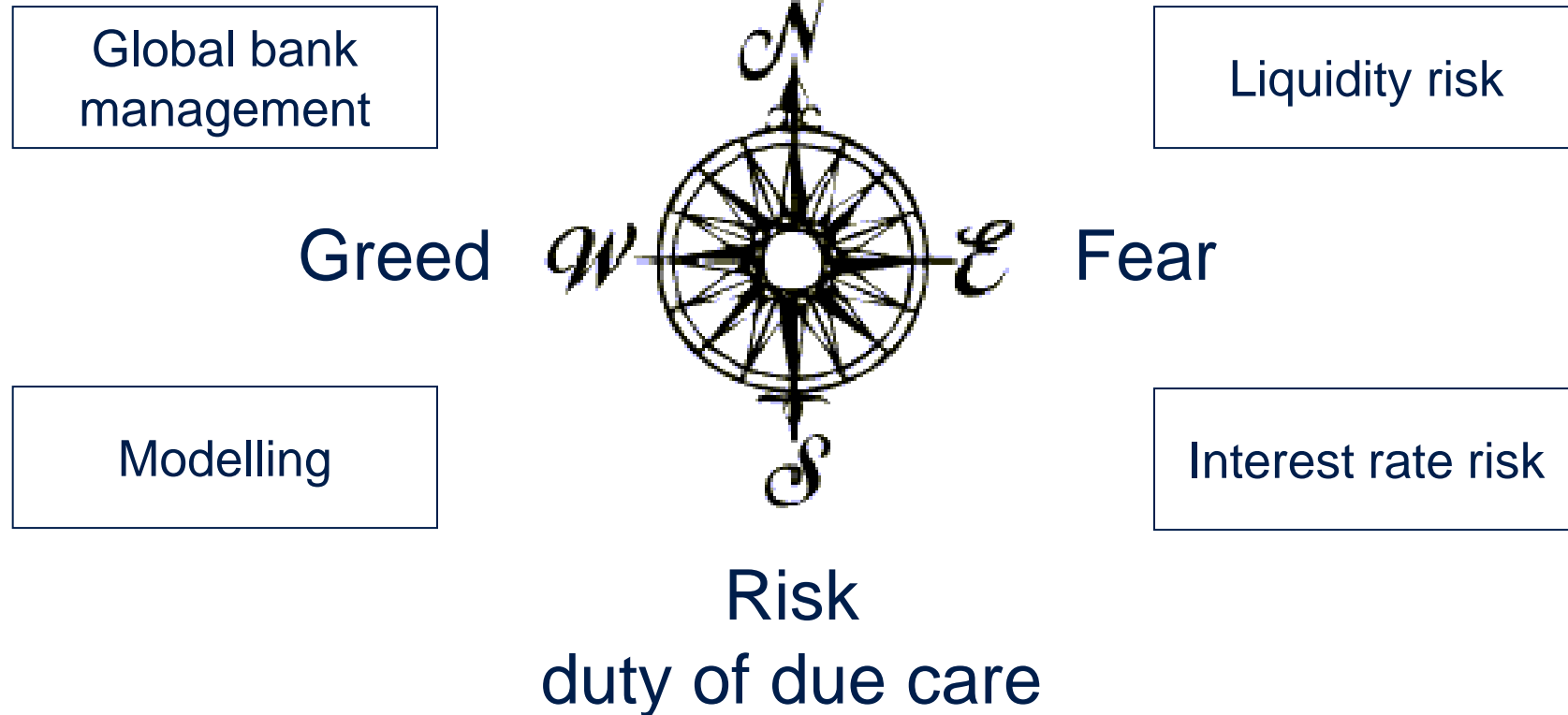
Can human brains handle the amount of information?



From: Managing Liquidity in Banks, R. Duttweiler, 2009; European Systemic Risk Board (ESRB) Risk Dashboard; Didier Sornette, Neuron, Reviews on Cognitive Architectures, Vol. 86, Number 1, Oct. 2015

The four “business dimensions”

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Physics has not caused the crisis →

Ignoramus et ignorabimus

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We have to know. We will know.

D. Hilbert

**Everything which is not forbidden
is compulsory.**

M. Gell-Mann

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