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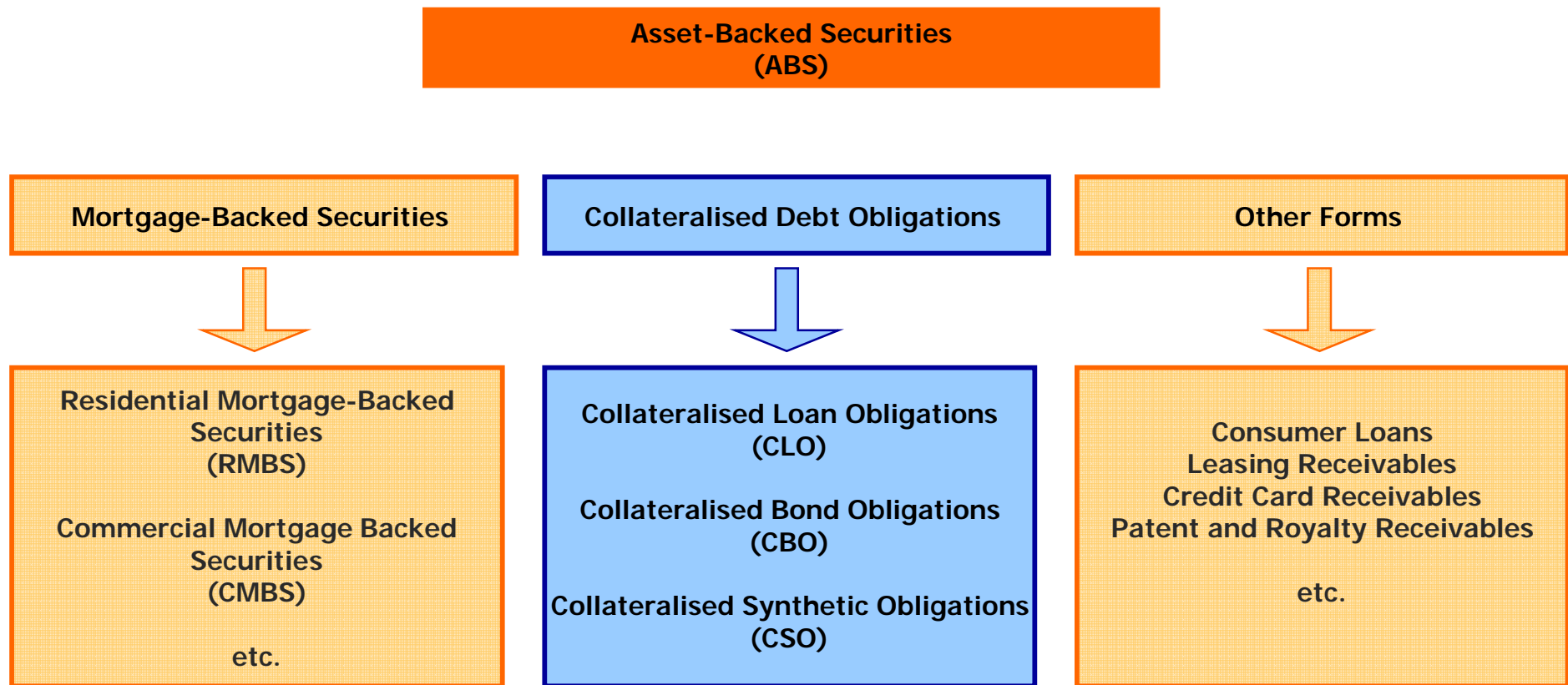
Subprime Crisis & Credit Crunch:

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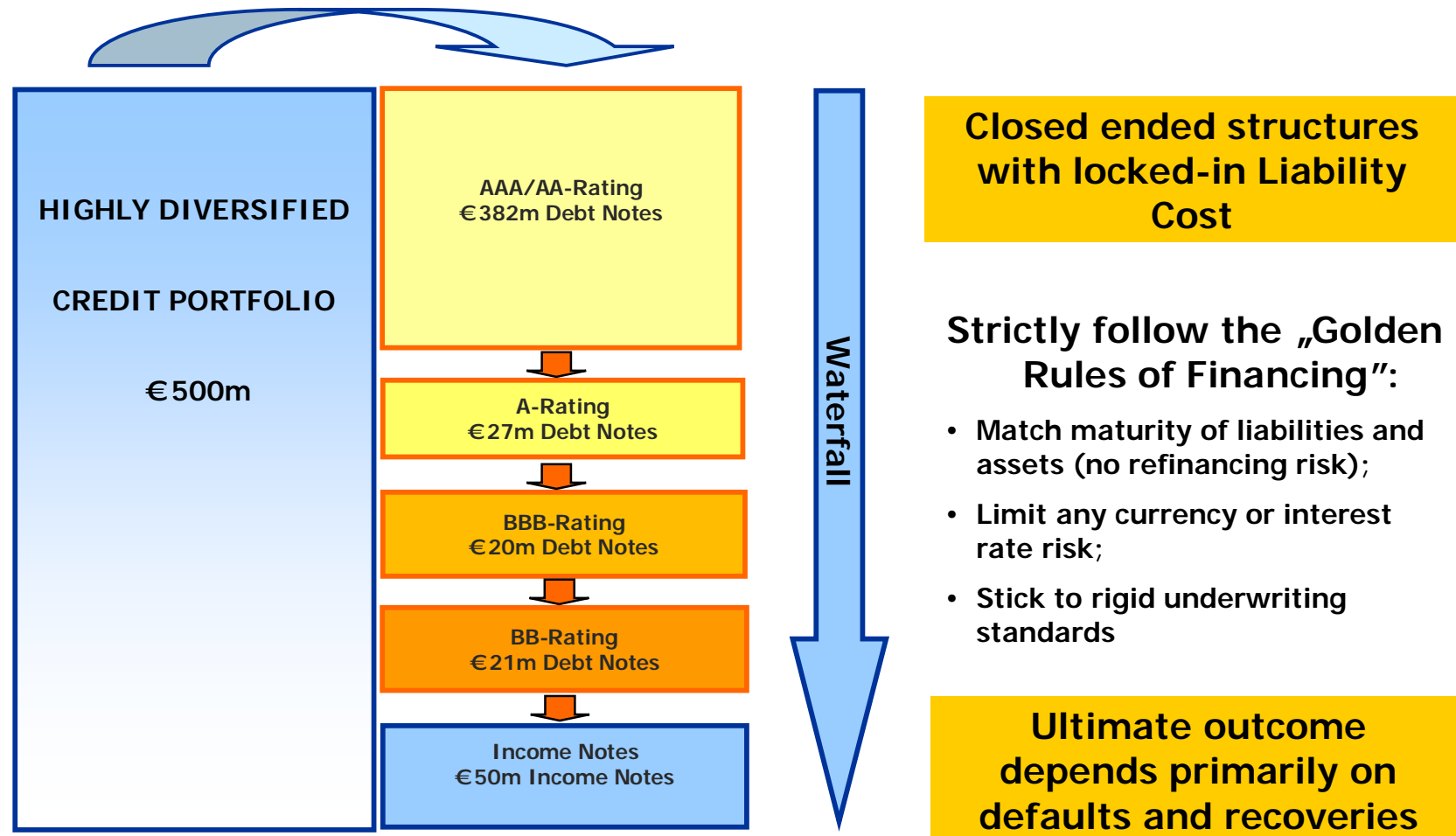
- The Tail of the “Unexpected” and the “Obvious”
- How well did Products Stand Up?
- Lessons to be Learned

I. Securitization Basics

Types of Asset-Backed Securities



How Do Cash Flow Securitizations work? A compelling concept if done right



II. What went wrong: The “Unexpected” and the “Obvious”



Source: Elan Fleisher: Unpleasant Ways to Die

Split “The Unexpected” from “The Obvious”

The Obvious (right ?)

- Ever increasing U.S. home prices & Home owners who could not afford the home in the first place;
- Investment Banks massively pushing paper for fee generation
- Short Term Leverage financing Long Term Assets creates problems in downmarkets
- Market Value triggers create volatility and in bumpy markets come to haunt you

Toxic Combination!

The Unexpected

- Risk control measures at Banks not really functioning
- Investment Banks left with a lot more risk than anticipated
- Rating agencies getting it plainly wrong
- Snow ball effect as markets became entangled over time and widespread liquidity crunch
- „Hedge Fund of the Year“ imploding weeks after award

Significant Differences in Securitization Classes

➤ Example: Difference US-Subprime ABS to Leveraged Loan CLOs

Subprime ABS

- „unknown“ Borrower, no underwriting standards
- Rating: „Law of large Numbers“
- Low Correlations and independent Regions
- Lender securitizes 100% of the Portfolio
- Thin First Loss Tranches
- If Rating Triggers are breached -> Liquidation

☒ ~ 3 x historic „Delinquency Rates“ = Total Loss on A and BBB

VERY DIFFERENT STRUCTURES

Leveraged Loan CLO

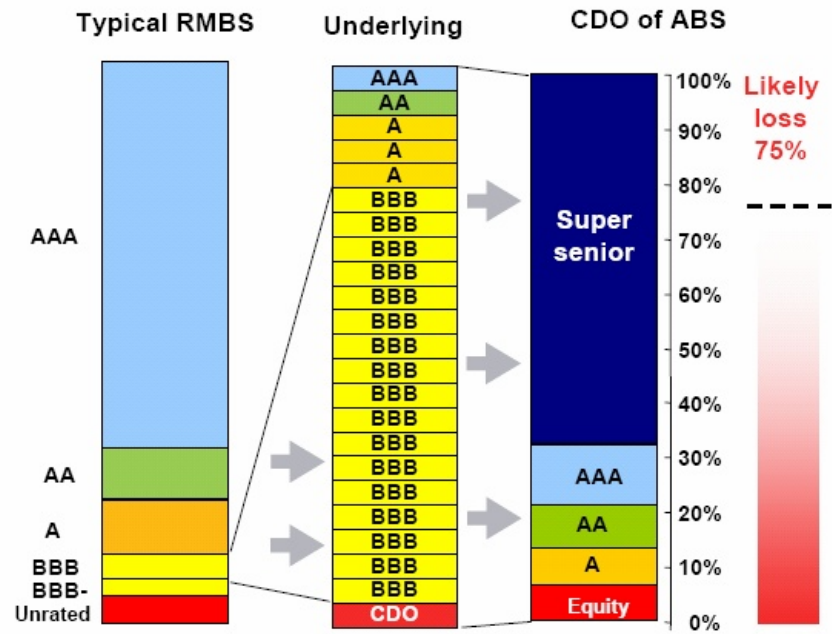
- Monitoring each Borrower
- Rating: Credit Quality of actual Portfolio
- High Correlations within Industries
- Banks retain significant Portions of each loan
- Income Notes have size of Tier I Capital of Banks
- Defaults lead to Cash-Flow Diversions

☑ ~ 3 x historic Default Rates = Return of Capital on Income Notes

Double Layers of Leverage with Implications

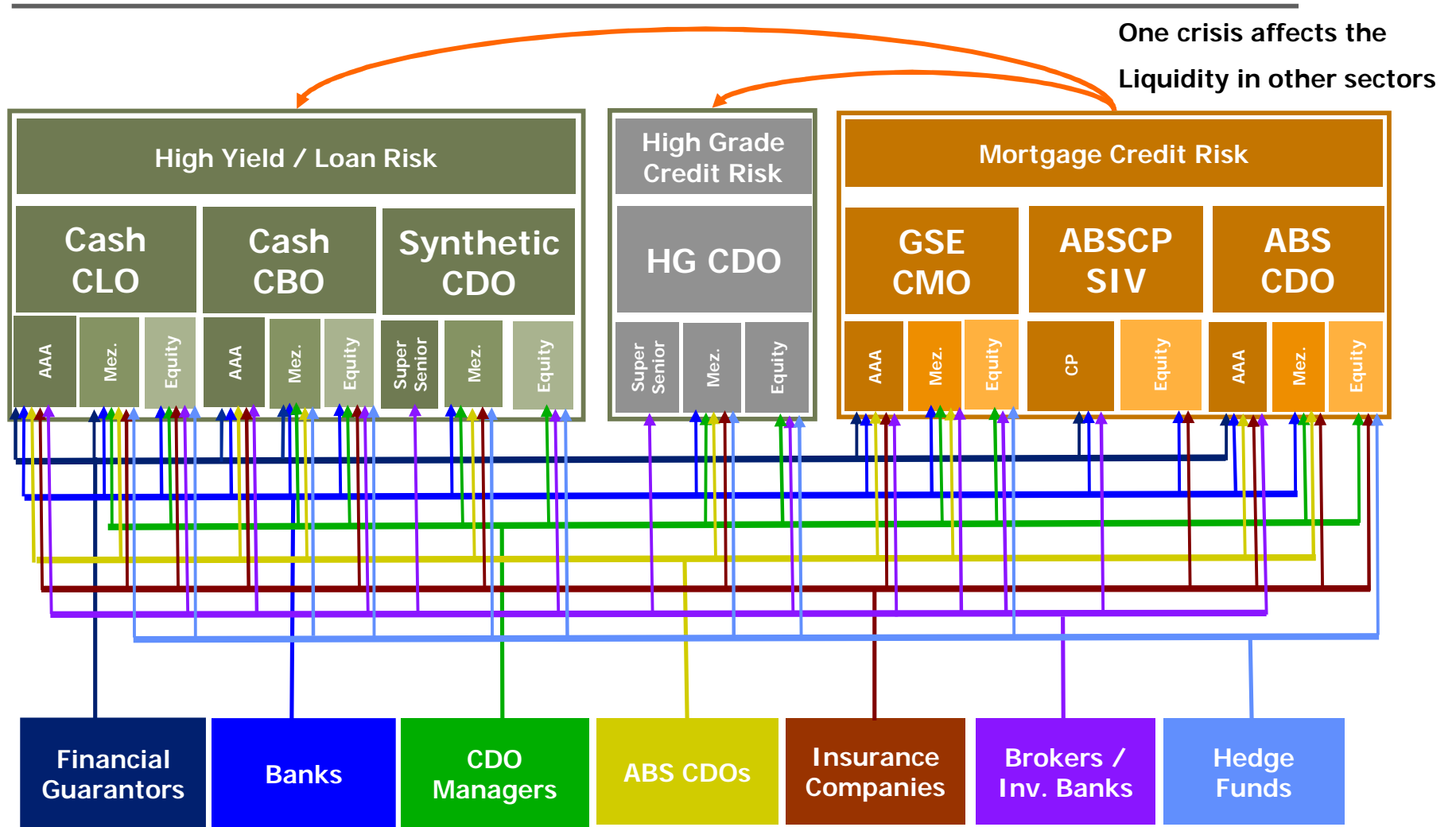
- ❖ Typical CDOs of ABS have double layers of leverage;
- ❖ All the risk is concentrated in one industry;
- ❖ If one layer has a systematic problem then the loss to the CDO of ABS is multiplied. This has caused **CATASTROPHIC loss behavior.**

Typical Mezz CDO of ABS



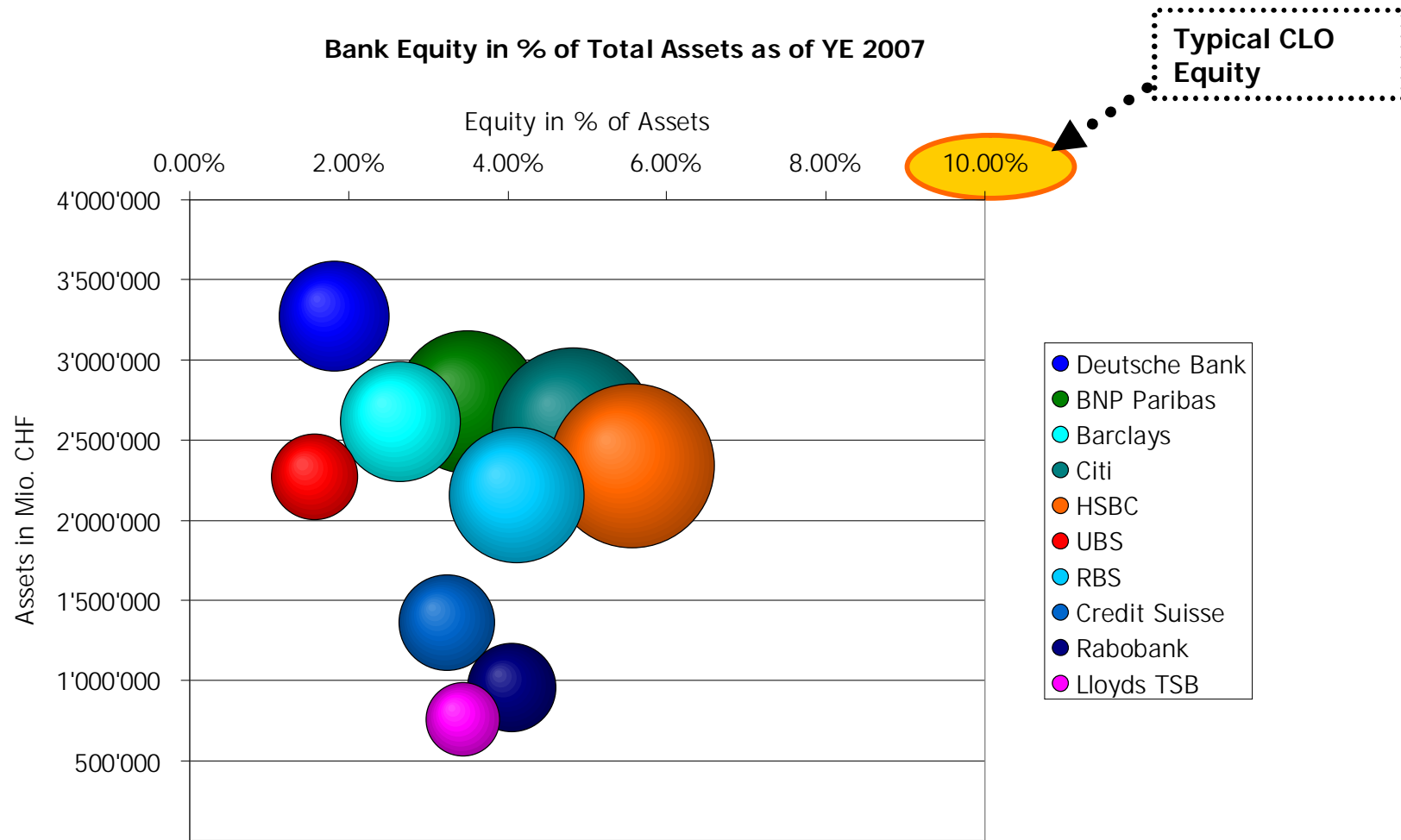
Source: Citi.

Global Spread of Risk (The Liquidity Problem)



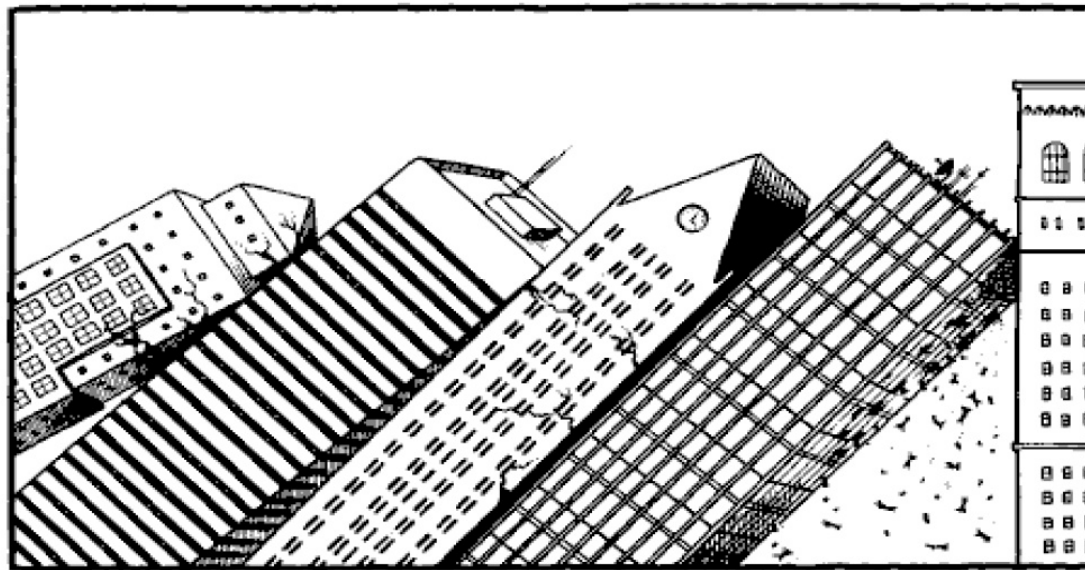
Source: Lehman Brothers, Moody's, Alegra Capital

Forget Tier I Capital: Significant Gross Bank Leverage adds to the Liquidity Problem



The size of the balloons represents the Bank's absolute equity;
Bank assets are gross reported assets, no risk-weightings applied

III. Stress Test: How did Products Hold Up?



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Long-Term Comparison of Selected ABS Products

		Downgrades p.a. 1984 - 2007	Intrinsic Value	Liquidity / Valuations
Dead Zone	ABS CDO	A lot more to come: 132bn Defaults now	Double layer of leverage and MV Triggers-> Catastrophic outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In crisis similarly illiquid • Depressed valuations across all segments regardless of intrinsic value
	MBS	Catastrophic: 35% downgrades*	Home defaults are rising, still significant future resets	
Counter-party Risk Zone	SIV	Low (Bank bail out) 1.75%	Intact for rescued vehicles only	
	Synth. IG CDO	Massive: 12.18%	Static and High Leverage can harm	
Value Zone	Cash IG CLO	Low: 0.76%	Only a Depression could cause loss of capital but leverage is high	
	Cash HY CLO	Lowest: 0.25%	Peak Defaults priced in, significant OC Cover allow stable cash flows	

Source: Standard & Poor's: Credit Quality Of Global CDOs Of ABS And SIVs Took A Hit In 2007, While CLOs Performed Well, Feb. 2008 / Alegra Research

* Estimate

Lessons for Investors in the ABS Universe

- **Analyse the underlying:** If the underlying assets are toxic, the best structure may not be able to protect!
- **Distinguish between ABS structures** (just like not all shares are the same); watch digital outcomes from double layers of risk!
- **Keep maturity matching profiles:** Leveraging long term assets with short term funding creates additional volatility and digital outcomes!
- **Watch out for „Market Value“ triggers:** Forced liquidations always yield the worst result. Focus on pure „Cash Flow Transactions“!

Lack of Liquidity has depressed Valuations in the whole market –
Intrinsic value of select ABS investments may be significant at this point-
Non-Depression outlook, „real money“ investors look at historic chances!

- **Invest on an educated basis:** Make your own assessment of investments or if you are not familiar with the product get advice from independent market participants!

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- Approx. **CHF 600 Mio.** under management in 5 CLO Equity and Mezzanine funds and a number of index certificates;
- Staff: 4 Partners, 1 Director Investments, 1 Portfolio Administrator, 1 Office Manager;
- Fitch considers the Risk Management System used by Alegra Capital as „Best in Class“.

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