

# MARKET ORGANIZATION & STRUCTURE



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# WHAT ARE THE MAIN FUNCTIONS OF THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM?

- Save money for future use
- Borrow money for current use
- Raise equity capital
- Manage risks
- Exchange assets for immediate and future deliveries
- Trade on information

# HOW ARE MARKETS CLASSIFIED?

**Category 1**

**Category 2**

**Category 3**

**Category 4**

- Public offering: Initial public offering (IPO)
- Public offering: Seasoned offering
- Private placement
- Shelf registration
- DRPS or DRIPS
- Rights offering

# HOW DO SECONDARY MARKETS SUPPORT PRIMARY MARKETS?

- **Low transaction costs**
- **Small price concessions**

**SECONDARY  
MARKETS**

**PRIMARY  
MARKETS**



# HOW ARE ASSETS CLASSIFIED?

- **Assets**
  - **Securities**
  - **Currencies**
  - **Contracts**
  - **Commodities**
  - **Real assets**

- HOW ARE SECURITIES CLASSIFIED?
  - **Fixed income**
  - **Equities**
  - **Pooled investments**
  - **Public**
  - **Private**

**POOLED INVESTMENTS**



Shares

( Shares of Mortgage REITs / Equity REITs

ETFs (Depository Receipts)

Limited Partnership Interests



# WHAT POSITIONS CAN I TAKE IN AN ASSET?

- Long positions
  - Assets or contracts are owned
  - Position benefits from price appreciation
- Short positions
  - Assets not owned are sold or contracts are sold
  - Position benefits from a decrease in price

# HOW ARE CONTRACTS CLASSIFIED?

- **Forward contracts**
- **Futures contracts**
- **Swap contracts**
- **Option contracts**
- **Other contracts (REPO)**

# HEDGING WITH FORWARD CONTRACTS

Farmer needs **TO SELL** wheat to the miller at a future date.

- Risk: the price of wheat decreases.
- The farmer is currently long wheat in the spot market (needs to sell it in the future).
- The farmer hedges the spot market position by **selling wheat forward.**

Miller needs **TO BUY** wheat from the farmer at a future date to sell to bakers.

- Risk: the price of wheat increases.
- The miller is currently short wheat in the spot market (needs to buy it in the future).
- The miller hedges the spot market position by **buying wheat forward.**

# FUTURES VERSUS FORWARD CONTRACTS

- **FUTURES CONTRACTS**
  - Standardized
  - Clearinghouse guarantees performance
  - Strong secondary markets
- **FORWARD CONTRACTS**
  - Customized
  - Counterparty risk
  - Typically held to maturity

# SWAP CONTRACTS

- Swap contracts
  - Interest rate
  - Commodity
  - Currency
  - Equity



# OPTION POSITIONS AND THEIR UNDERLYING RISK EXPOSURES

<b><u>Strategy</u></b>	<b><u>Option position</u></b>	<b><u>Exposure to underlying risk</u></b>
Buy call	Long	Long
Sell call	Short	Short
Buy put	Long	Short
Sell put	Short	Long

# REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS (REPO)

**Direct Repurchase Agreements (Direct REPO):** one party sells securities to another with an agreement to repurchase them at a specified date and price

- Essentially a loan backed by securities

- **A reverse REPO** refers to the purchase of securities by one party from another with an agreement to sell them

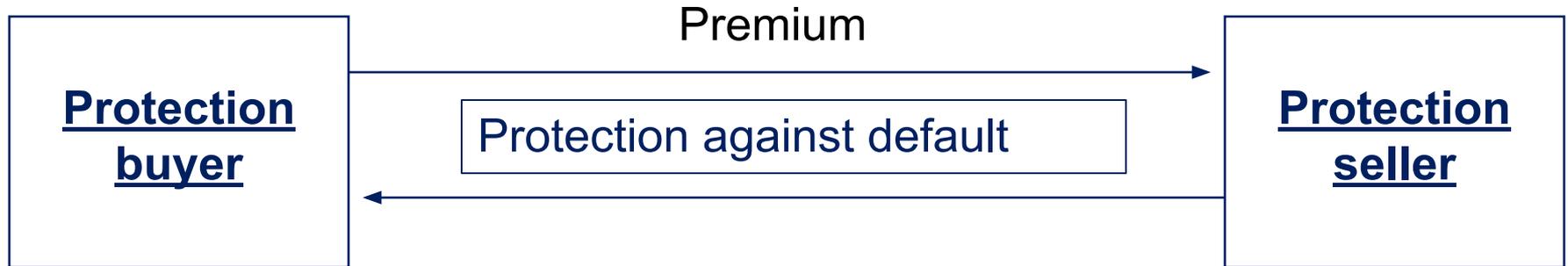
- Transactions amounts are usually for \$10 million or more
- Common maturities are from 1 day to 15 days and for one, three and six months
- There is no secondary market for repos

# INSURANCE

- Parties willing to bear risk
- Buyers of insurance contracts

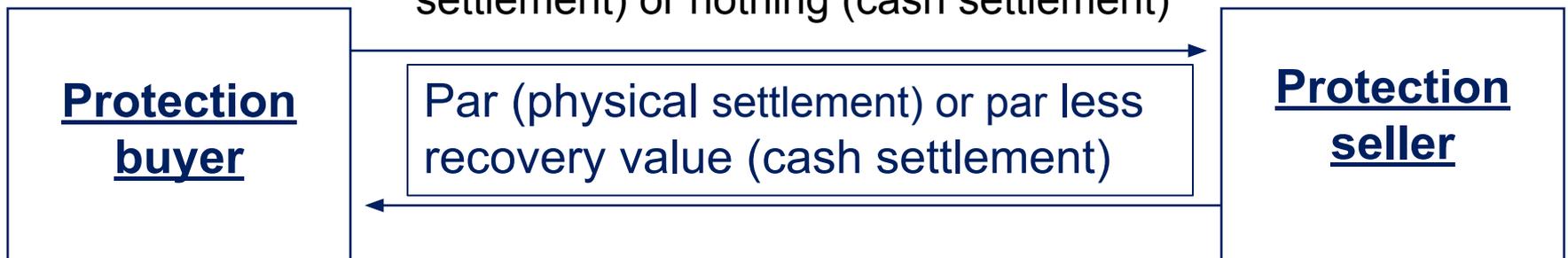
# CREDIT DEFAULT SWAPS (CDS)

## Prior to maturity or default

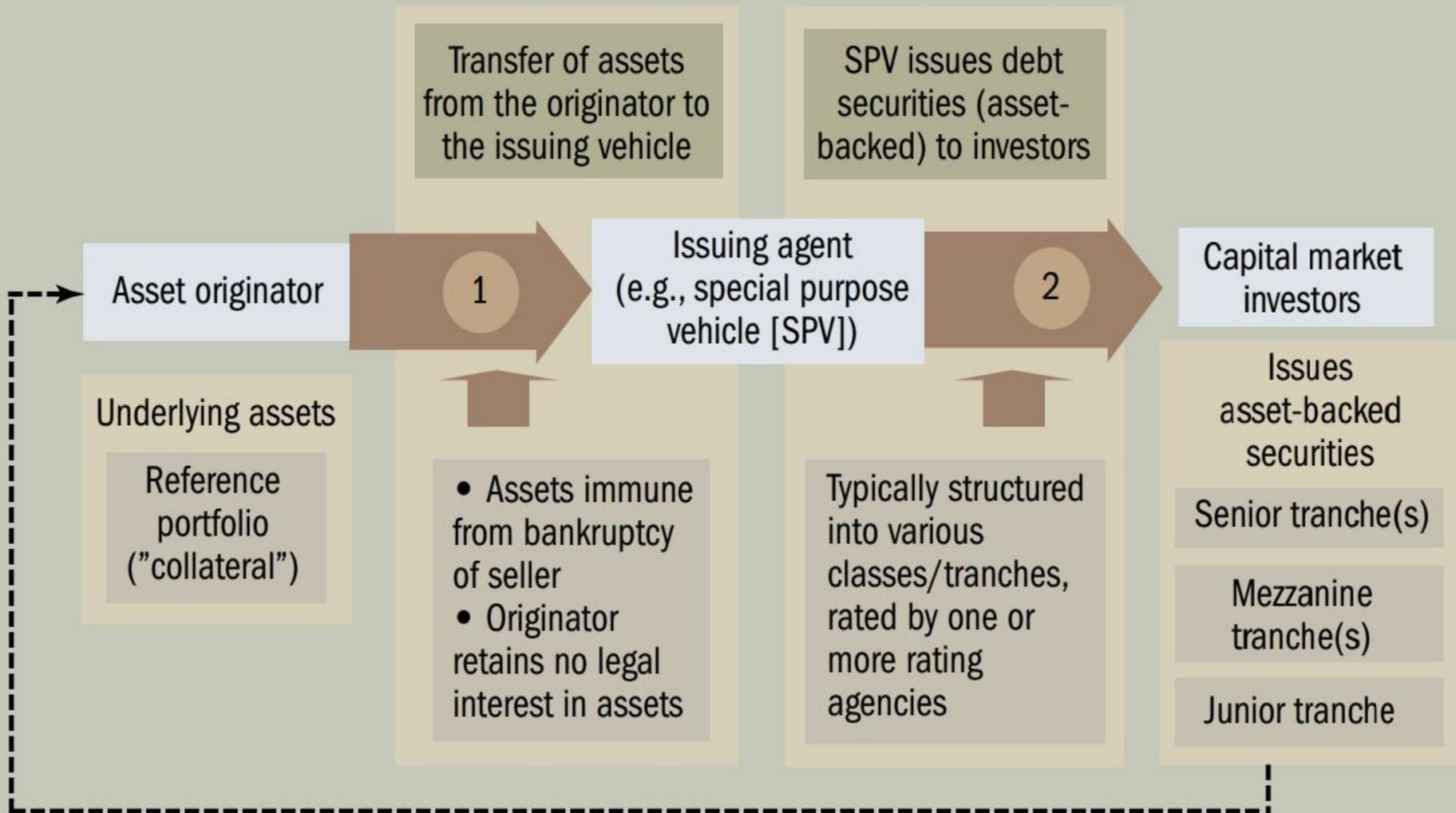


## In the event of default

Deliverable obligation (physical settlement) or nothing (cash settlement)

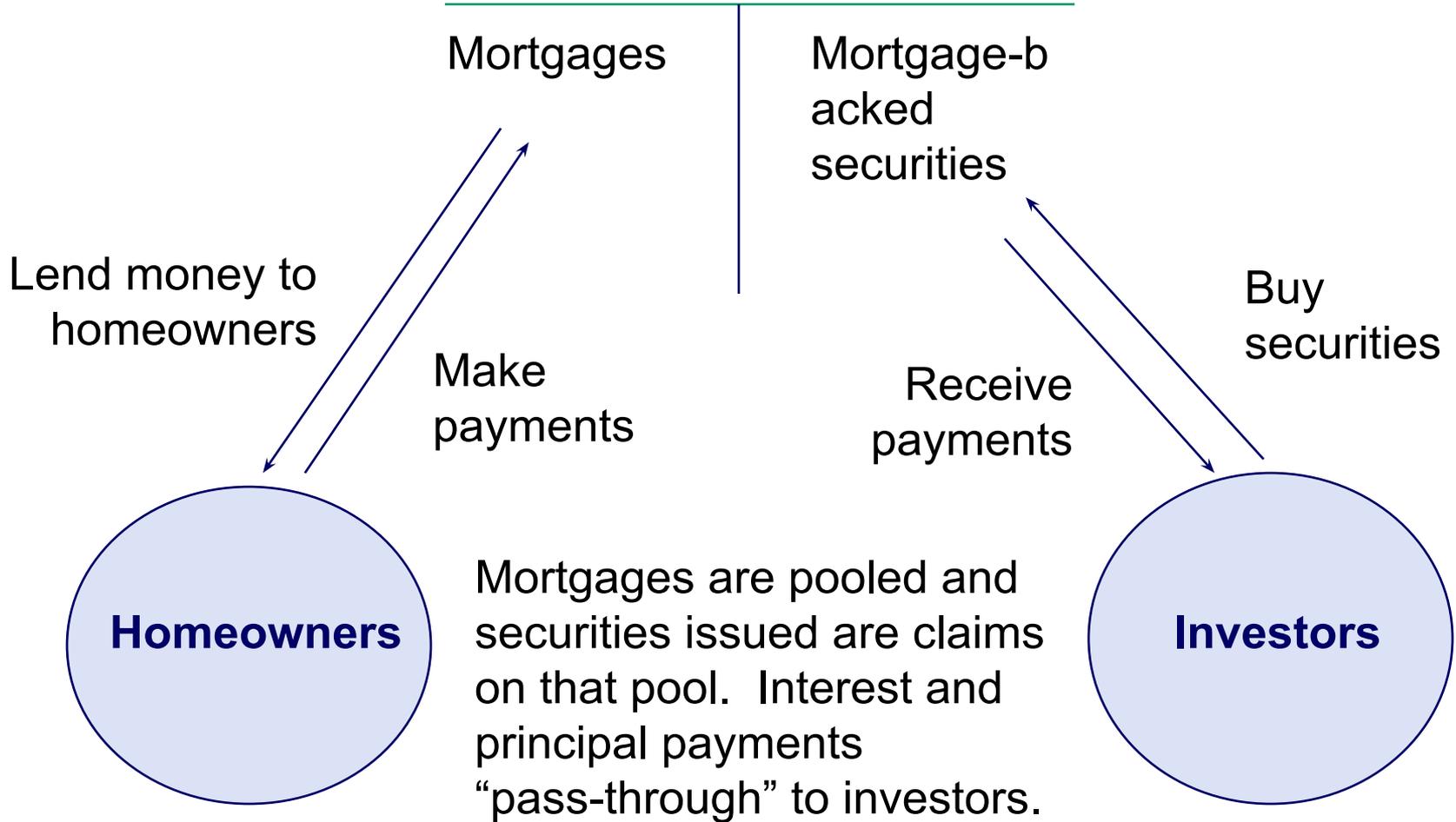


# How securitization works

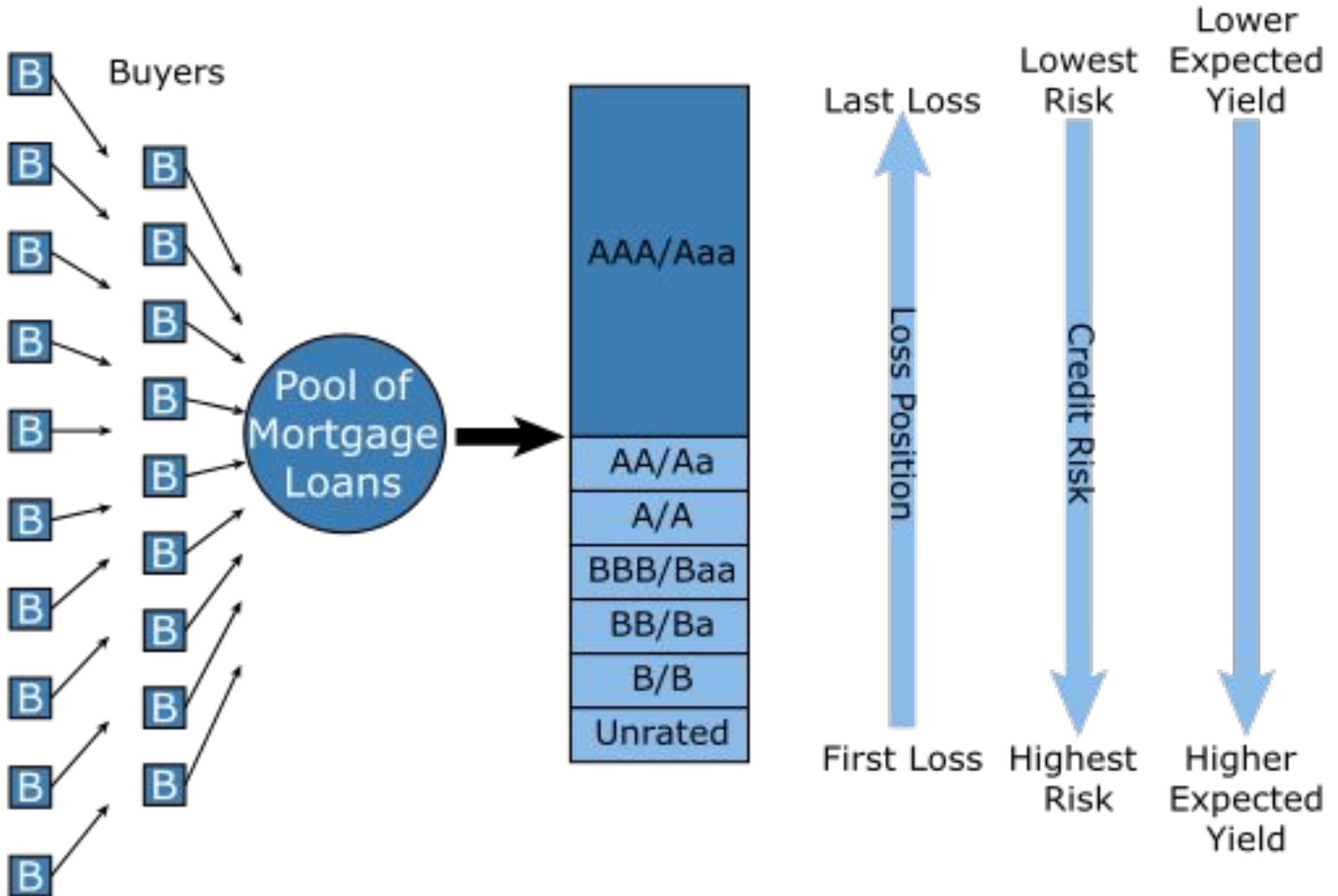


# EXAMPLE OF SECURITIZATION

## Mortgage Bank Balance Sheet



# Different Risk and Return for Different Investors



# TERMINOLOGY FOR LEVERED POSITIONS

- Buying on margin
- Margin loan
- Call money rate
- Initial margin requirement
- Maintenance margin requirement
- Margin call
- Leverage ratio

## EXAMPLE: COMPUTING TOTAL RETURN TO A LEVERAGED STOCK PURCHASE

A buyer buys stock on margin and holds the position for exactly one year, during which time the stock pays a dividend. For simplicity, assume that the interest on the loan and the dividend are both paid at the end of the year.

Purchase price \$20/share    Sale price \$15/share

Shares purchased 1,000    Leverage ratio 2.5

Call money rate 5%    Dividend \$0.10/share

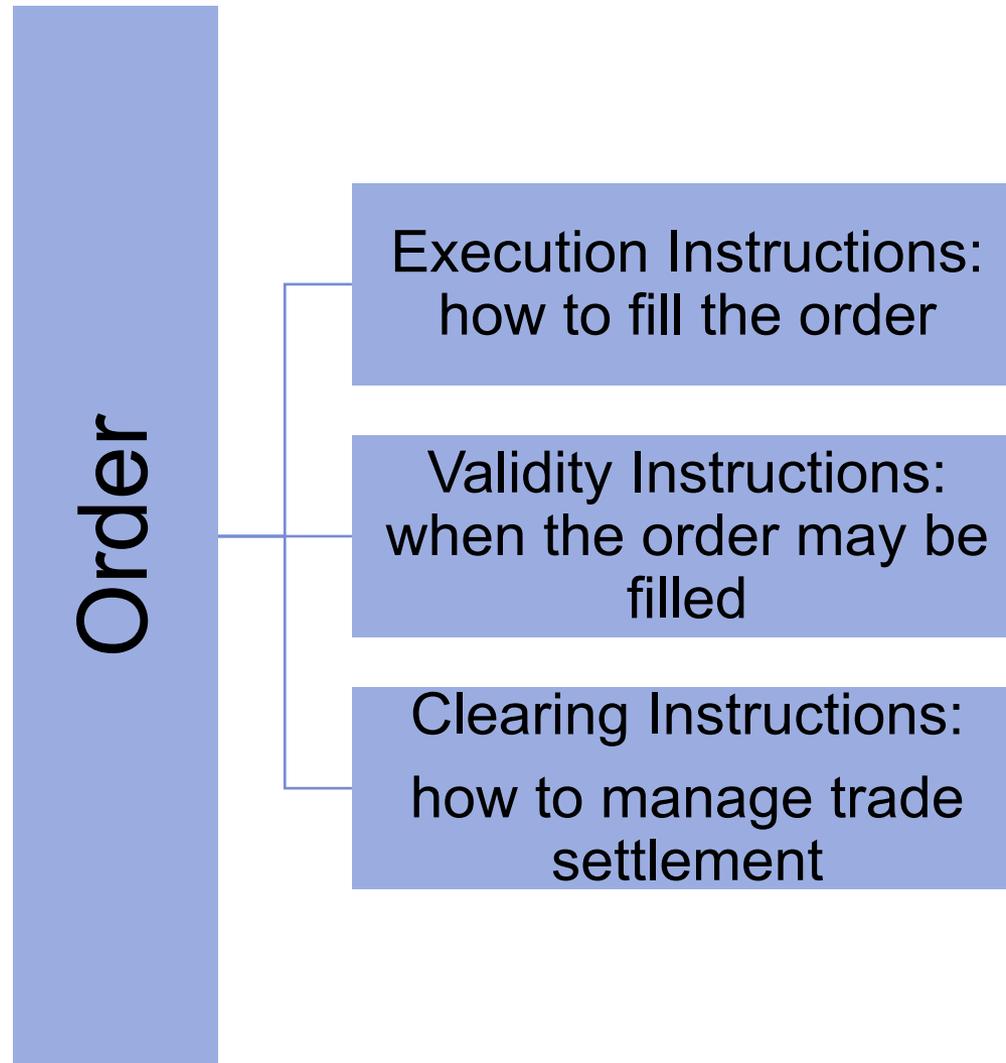
Commission \$0.01/share

1. What is the total return on this investment?
2. Why is the loss greater than the 25 percent decrease in the market price?

## EXAMPLE: MARGIN CALL PRICE

A trader buys stock on margin posting 40 percent of the initial stock price of \$20 as equity. The maintenance margin requirement for the position is 25 percent. Below what price will a margin call occur?

# COMPARE AND CONTRAST EXECUTION, VALIDITY, AND CLEARING INSTRUCTIONS



# EXECUTION INSTRUCTIONS

- **Execution instructions** specify how to trade
- **A MARKET ORDER** instructs the broker to execute the trade immediately
- **A LIMIT ORDER** places a **minimum execution price on sell orders** and a maximum execution price on buy orders
- Execution instructions about *volume of trade*: **all-or-nothing orders**: execute only if the whole order can be filled. Orders can specify the minimum size of the trade
- *Trade visibility* can also be specified. **Hidden orders** are those for which only the broker or exchange knows the trade size
- Trades can also specify *displace size*, where some of the trade is visible to the market, but the rest is not (**Iceberg orders**)

# LIMIT ORDER BOOK: "26 BID, OFFERED AT 28"

## Order Prices

Bids    Offers  
          (Asks)

33  
32  
31  
30  
29

The least aggressively priced sell orders are far from the market.

These sell orders are *behind the market*. We also say that they are *away from the market*.

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The *best offer* is at the market.

The space between the current best bid and offer is *inside the market*. If a new limit order arrives here, it *makes a new market*.

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The *best bid* is at the market.

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These buy orders are *behind the market*. We also say that they are *away from the market*.

The least aggressively priced buy orders are *far from the market*.

The best bid and best offer make *the market*.

# VALIDITY INSTRUCTIONS

Day order

Good-till-cancelled order

(GTC)  
Immediate-or-cancel order

(IOC)  
Good-on-close order

Stop orders  
(Good-on-open order)

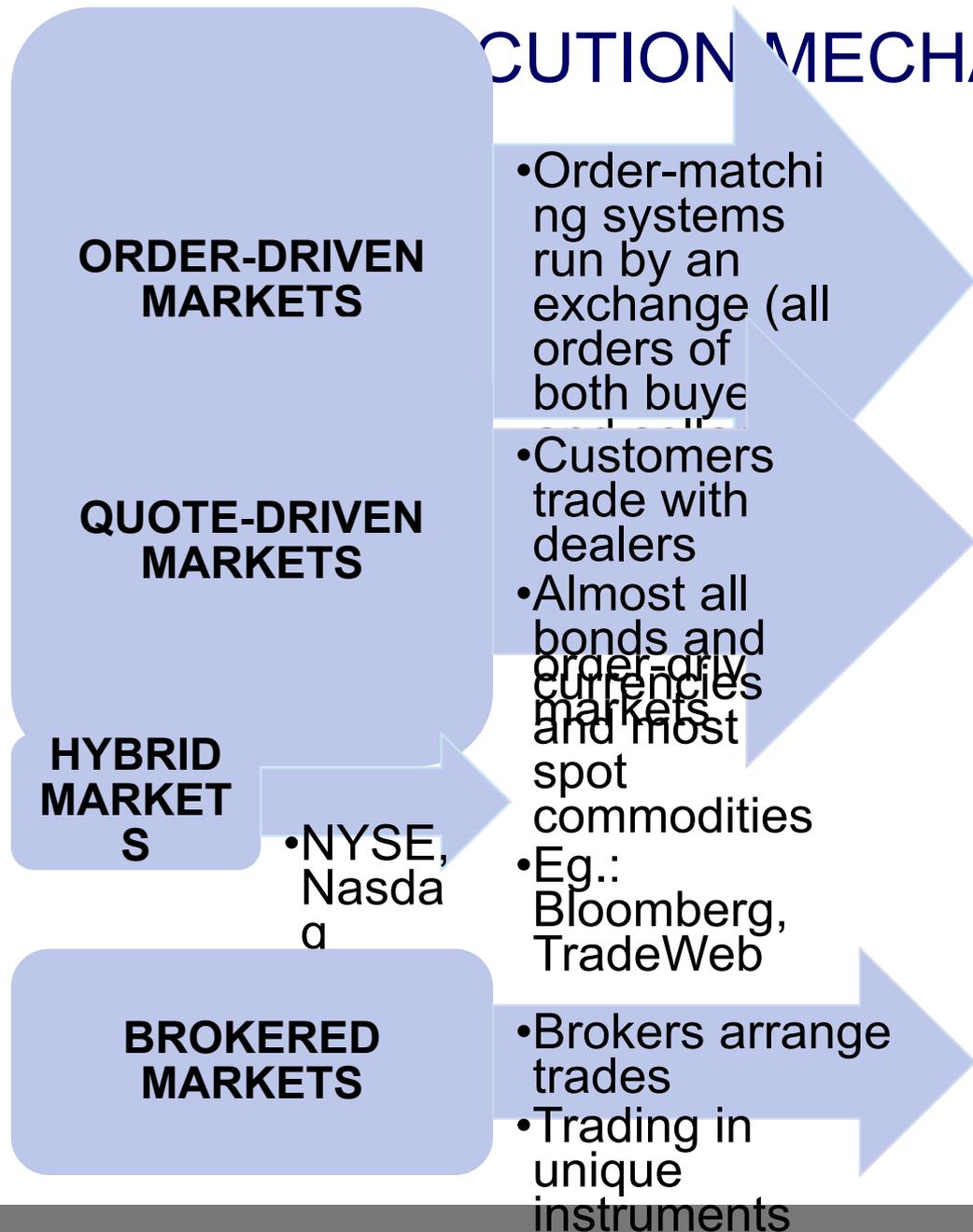
(stop-loss orders):  
stop-sell orders and  
stop-buy orders

# STOP ORDERS (STOP-LOSS ORDERS)



**STOP-SELL  
ORDER:  
Sell at \$30**

# EXECUTION MECHANISMS



# ORDER-DRIVEN MARKETS

- ORDER PRECEDENCE HIERARCHY
  - Price priority
  - Secondary precedence rules

# WHAT ARE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF WELL-FUNCTIONING FINANCIAL SYSTEM?

- **Well-functioning financial system**
  - Completeness
  - Operationally efficient
  - Informationally efficient

# WHAT ARE THE OBJECTIVES OF MARKET REGULATION?

Control fraud

Control

agency

problems

Promote

fairness

Set mutually

beneficial

standards

Prevent

exploitation

Insure

liabilities are

funded

# SUMMARY

- Main functions of the financial system
- Classifications of assets and markets
- Financial intermediaries
- Long and short positions
- Leveraged positions
- Execution, validity, and clearing instructions
- Market and limit orders
- Primary and secondary markets
- Quote-driven, order-driven, and brokered markets
- Characteristics of a well-functioning market
- Objectives of market regulation