Swap Pricing Convention Before and After the GFC

# What happened outside of the classroom?

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#### **Objectives**

- Walk through how swap discounting convention has changed from before the GFC to after the GFC, i.e. single curve discounting → dual curve discounting.
- Understand the rationale of collateral driven discounting and OIS rates(indexed to RFR) coming into risk free rates.
- Identify the inherent risks of non-collateralized swap transactions that is able to justify the valuation adjustment.
- Find out challenges to achieve the fair value pricing in the domestic swap market.

#### Quiz 1 – Risk Free Curve

- Before the GFC, which USD curve was used as risk free curve out of IRS, Gov't bond and OIS curve?
- Now, which USD curve is used as risk free curve among IRS, Gov't bond and OIS curve?
- Before the GFC, which KRW curve was used as risk free curve out of IRS, Gov't bond and CCS curve?
- Now, which KRW curve is used as risk free curve among IRS, Gov't bond and CCS curve?



#### Quiz 2 – Swap Value (True or False)



#### **Over-rated LIBOR before the GFC**

- LIBOR used as Landmark Index in derivatives products, loan and funding since 1990.
- Market participants not bothered with discounting default risk of swap dealers.
- LIBOR as unsecured funding rate not that higher than overnight funding rate.
- Swap rates indexed to LIBOR used as the proxy of risk free rates.

#### LIBOR as Credit Risky Index



#### **USD 3M Rates during the GFC**



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#### **Transition of LIBOR to RFR**

- After the GFC, CCP Clearing and Global Margin pushed collateralized swap transactions to grow substantially.
- Benchmark rapidly moved to RFR from LIBOR.
- OIS rates indexed to RFR newly accepted as risk free rates.
- Swap pricing re-organized from single curve discounting to dual curve discounting.

## **Single and Dual Curve Discounting**

- Before the GFC single curve discounting, collateral not considered
- After the GFC dual curve discounting, collateral considered



\*After the GFC, USD swap without CSA is priced by USD/OIS, however, PV(USD/OIS) should be adjusted upon funding and credit risk. \*\*KRW/CD is used for pricing in the absence of KRW/OIS, but KRW/CD should be replaced with KRW/OIS, once KRW OIS has been traded.

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#### **KRW Curve from KRW and USD Collateral**



- For KRW swap with KRW collateral cleared through KRX CCP, its pricing should be done by KRW curve like KRW/Modeled OIS.
- For KRW swap with USD collateral, USD/OIS to be converted to KRW curve, which is used for discounting KRW cash flow, i.e. KRW swap cleared through CME is priced by KRW curve derived from USD/OIS.



#### **Rationale of Collateral Driven Discounting**

	t			Т	Rate
Internal borrowing	(a)	Vt	(a)'	$-V_t(1+R_L)^T$	RL
Loan to outside	(b)	-V <sub>t</sub>	(b)'	100	?
Collateral from outside	(c)	Vt	(c)′	$-V_t(1+R_c)^T$	R <sub>c</sub>
Repayment of borrowing	(d)	-V <sub>t</sub>	(d)'	$V_t(1+R_L)^T$	RL

- Value at t: Zero = (a)+(b)+(c)+(d)
- Value at T: Zero = (a)'+(b)'+(c)'+(d)', where no arbitrage condition holds

 $100 = V_{t}(1+R_{L})^{T}+V_{t}(1+R_{C})^{T}-V_{t}(1+R_{L})^{T}$   $100 = V_{t}(1+R_{C})^{T}$  $V_{t} = 100/(1+R_{C})^{T}$ 

- Under CSA, collateral cost is RFR as CSA rate, i.e. R<sub>c</sub>.
- For collateralized swap, OIS curve indexed to RFR has been used for discounting since the GFC.
- Collateralized swap is nothing but funding instrument

Swap

Dealer

Collateral

SA Rate (R<sub>c</sub>)

CSA

C'pty

#### **Standard CSA World & Standard Discounting**

	Standard CSA	Standard Discounting	Remark			ſ
USD Swap	USD Cash <i>,</i> US Treasury(TT*)	USD/SOFR	From OIS market	Anything deviated from Standard CSA?	Actual CSA •Funding risk	Credit & Funding Risk to be incorporated into swap valuation
GBP Swap	GBP Cash <i>,</i> UK Treasury(TT*)	GBP/SONIA	From OIS market			
EUR Swap	EUR Cash <i>,</i> EURO Treasury(TT*)	EUR/ESTR	From OIS market		No CSA • Funding risk	
JPY Swap	JPY Cash, JPN Treasury(TT*)	JPY/TONAR	From OIS market		•Credit risk	
KRW Swap	KRW Cash <i>,</i> KOR Treasury(TT*)	KOR/KOFR	To be from OIS market			

\*TT stands for Title Transferred.

#### **Credit and Funding Risk without Collateral**



### **Types of Valuation Adjustment**

- Firstly, swap is priced by OIS rates, regardless of collateral.
- Secondly, any deviation from Standard CSA is reflected into swap value, which is so called the valuation adjustment



#### **Example of Valuation Adjustment**

- Hedged Swap Portfolio (A) is always valued at zero, in case the valuation adjustment is ignored.
- However, the valuation adjustment highlights how much cost swap dealer should bear, thanks to non-collateralized swap.

Hedged USD Swap Portfolio (A)	(Unit: USD)		IRS <sup>Paid</sup>	IRS <sup>Received</sup>
(CSA C'pty and No CSA C'pty)	C'pty	CVA	6,611	
•Trade Date: 2021-12-31 •Tenor: 10Y		DVA	806	
•Notional: \$1M •Recovery Rate: 40%	L La da a	FVA		970
CSA No CSA	Hedge C'ntv	FCA		2,209
USD USD Eived Bate	Cpty	FBA		1,239
C'pty (A Rating)	Adjusted Value	-CVA+DVA-FVA	-6,	775
	Note) The adjus	ted value is estimated	using interest	rate hinomial

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### **Example of Risk Metrics by the Valuation Adjustment**

- Hedged Swap Portfolio (A) will be shown no risks, in case the valuation adjustment is ignored.
- However, the risks that swap dealer runs will be popped up through the valuation adjustment.



(Unit: USD)	Risk Sensitivity
DV01 <sub>IRS</sub>	-192
DV01 <sub>OIS</sub>	54
Vega <sub>IRS</sub>	-517
Vega <sub>OIS</sub>	349
CS01 <sub>A-Rating</sub>	-6
CS01 <sub>BB-Rating</sub>	-46

Note) The risk sensitivity is calculated by using interest rate binomial tree with Ho-Lee model. Vega is by 1bp up in normal volatility.

#### **Challenges Post KOFR**

- Promote the growth of KOFR Futures and KRW OIS indexed to KOFR.
- Generate KRW OIS curve as KRW risk free curve across the short and long end to keep up with the global standard.
- Infer the KOFR forward term rates from KOFR Futures price.
- Introduce the valuation adjustment to any swap transactions away from the standard CSA.

# No one knows the fair price. However, the market is constantly pursue a fair price.

# Thank You!!