

# Assets-Liability Management in Insurance Business

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# Objectives

- ❑ ALM Objectives
- ❑ ALM Analysis and Techniques
- ❑ ALM Organization

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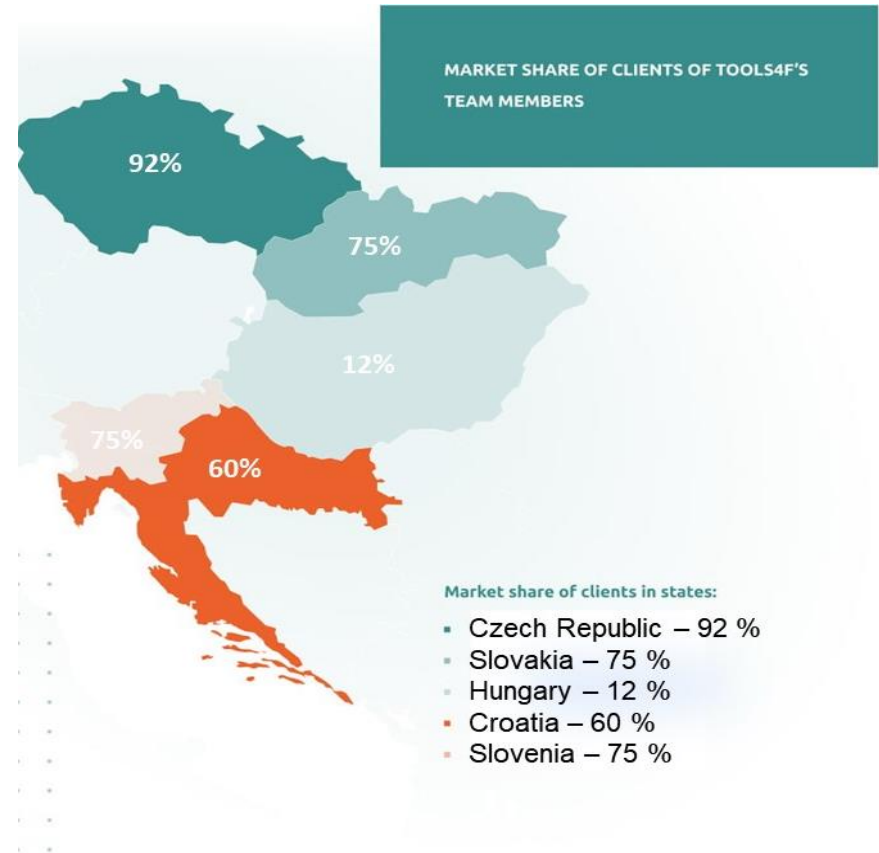
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2. ALM analysis
  - A. Value Management
  - B. Cash Flow Management
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# Introduction to ALM (1)

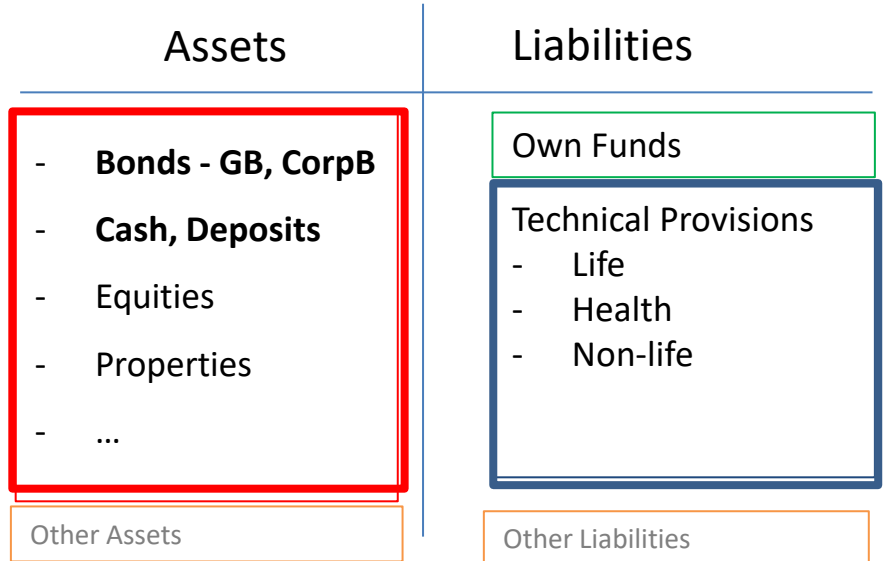
## ALM – what we speak about

### Liabilities

- **Technical Provisions**
  - based on sold contracts
  - calculated by actuaries
  - **limited management**
- Own Funds (= A – L)
- Others

### Assets

- **Investments**
  - Bonds, Depo, Cash > 80%-90%
  - **might be managed** – sold/bought
- Others



# Introduction to ALM (2) – ALM Objectives

- Our goal:  
How to adjust the investment structure to meet **defined Assets-Liability characteristics**.
- What characteristics
- Why them



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# A. Value Management (1)

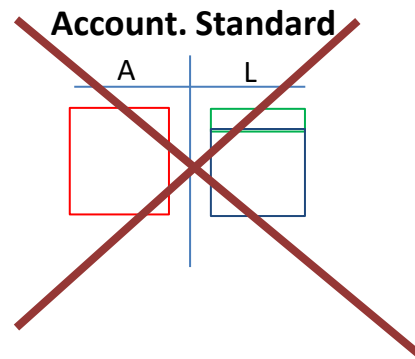
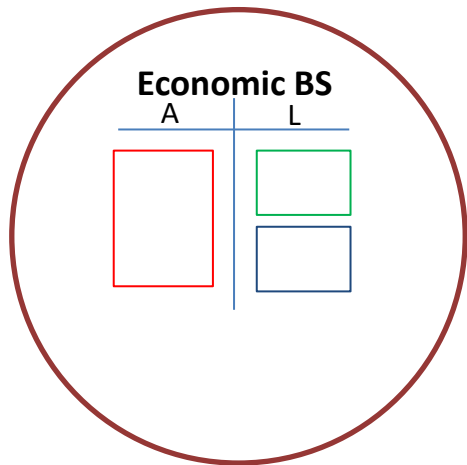
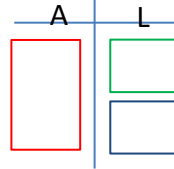
## □ What is the S/H objective?

### □ Company value is:

- increasing
- stable

### □ Where to find the Company value in its BS?

□  $OF = A - L$

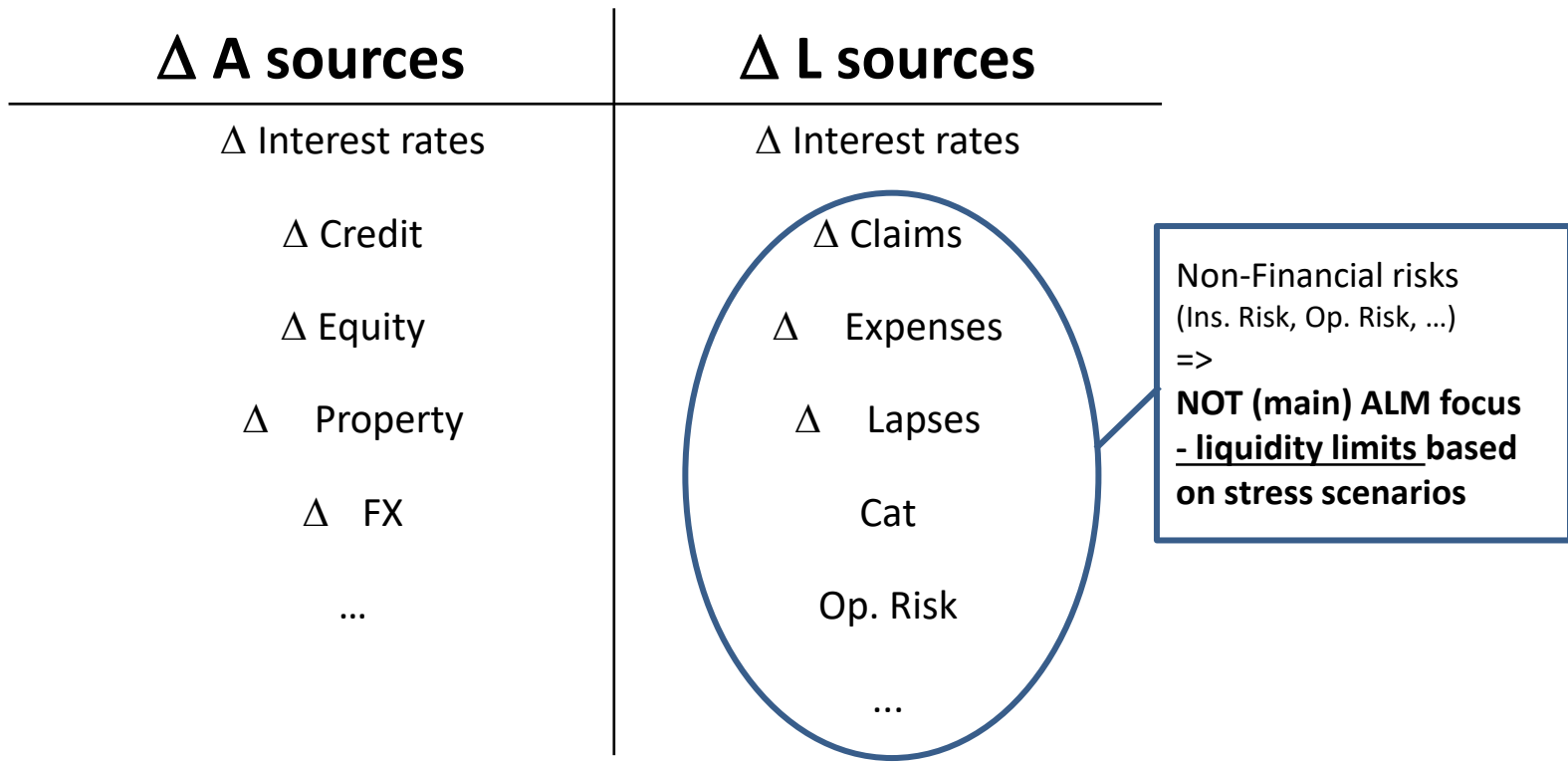


## A. Value Management (2) – $\Delta A, L$ Sources

- What drives the changes in A and L?

$\Delta A$ sources	$\Delta L$ sources
$\Delta$ Interest rates	$\Delta$ Interest rates
$\Delta$ Credit	$\Delta$ Claims
$\Delta$ Equity	$\Delta$ Expenses
$\Delta$ Property	$\Delta$ Lapses
$\Delta$ FX	Cat
...	Op. Risk
	...

# A. Value Management (3) – Non-Financial Risk



# A. Value Management (4) – Financial Risks

## Δ A sources

Δ Interest rates

Δ Credit

Δ Equity

Δ Property

Δ FX

...

## Δ L sources

Δ Interest rates

Δ Claims

Δ Expenses

Δ Lapses

Cat

Op. Risk

...

Non-Financial risks  
(Ins. Risk, Op. Risk, ...)

=>

**NOT (main) ALM focus**  
**- liquidity limits based**  
**on stress scenarios**

Financial risks

x

Not (directly) affecting L

⇒ **Limits:**

- Ratings limits – x%ptf
- Sector (gov., fin., municip., ...) – y%ptf
- In/out group
- Backed securities
- Equity, Property VaR
- FX – usually limit~0

# A. Value Management (5) – Interest Rate Risk

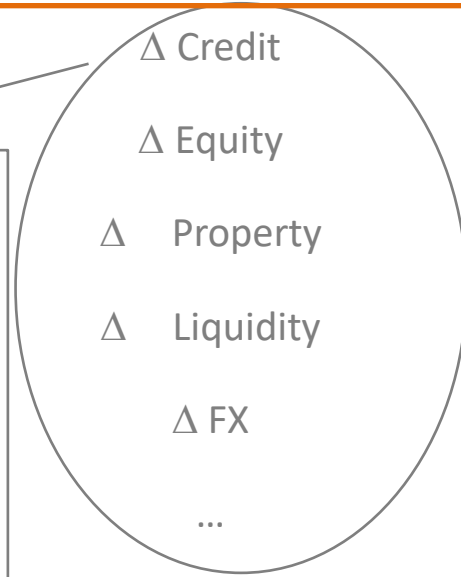
## Δ A sources

## Δ L sources

Δ Interest rates

Δ Interest rates

Both sides effect!



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- Equity, Property VaR
- Liquidity – z% of ptf
- FX – usually limit~0

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# A. Value Management (6) – Interest Rate Risk

## ☐ $\Delta$ (Market) Interest Rates

- ☐ Changes every day and may be significant.
- ☐ No management possibility to affect the market
- ☐  $\Delta i \Rightarrow$ 
  - ☐  $\Delta A$ 
    - ☐  $\Delta$  MV bonds ( $i \uparrow \Rightarrow MV \downarrow$  and vice versa)
  - ☐  $\Delta L$ 
    - ☐  $\Delta$  Fair Value (FV, MV) liabilities
      - ☐ discounting
      - ☐ profit share

## ☐ Yield curve example

[https://www.investing.com/rates-bonds/czech-republic-government-bonds?maturity\\_from=90&maturity\\_to=290](https://www.investing.com/rates-bonds/czech-republic-government-bonds?maturity_from=90&maturity_to=290)

# A. Value Management (7) – Insurance Liability Ptf

## ☐ Insurance Liability Portfolios:

### ☐ Life With-Profit products:

- ☐ long-term
- ☐ company cannot unilaterally terminate
- ☐ min. investment return guaranteed
- ☐ profit share if invest return > guaranteed rate

### ☐ Life w/o Profit share (risk products):

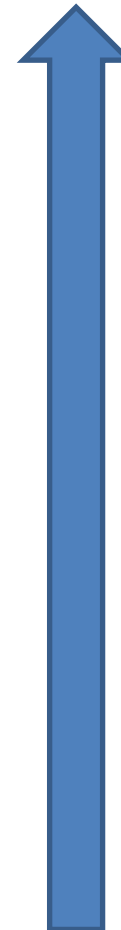
- ☐ long-term
- ☐ company cannot unilaterally terminate
- ☐ min. investment return guaranteed
- ~~☐ profit share if invest return > guaranteed rate~~

### ☐ Unit-linked:

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- ☐ company cannot unilaterally terminate
- ~~☐ min. investment return guaranteed~~
- ~~☐ profit share if invest return > guaranteed rate~~

### ☐ Non-life:

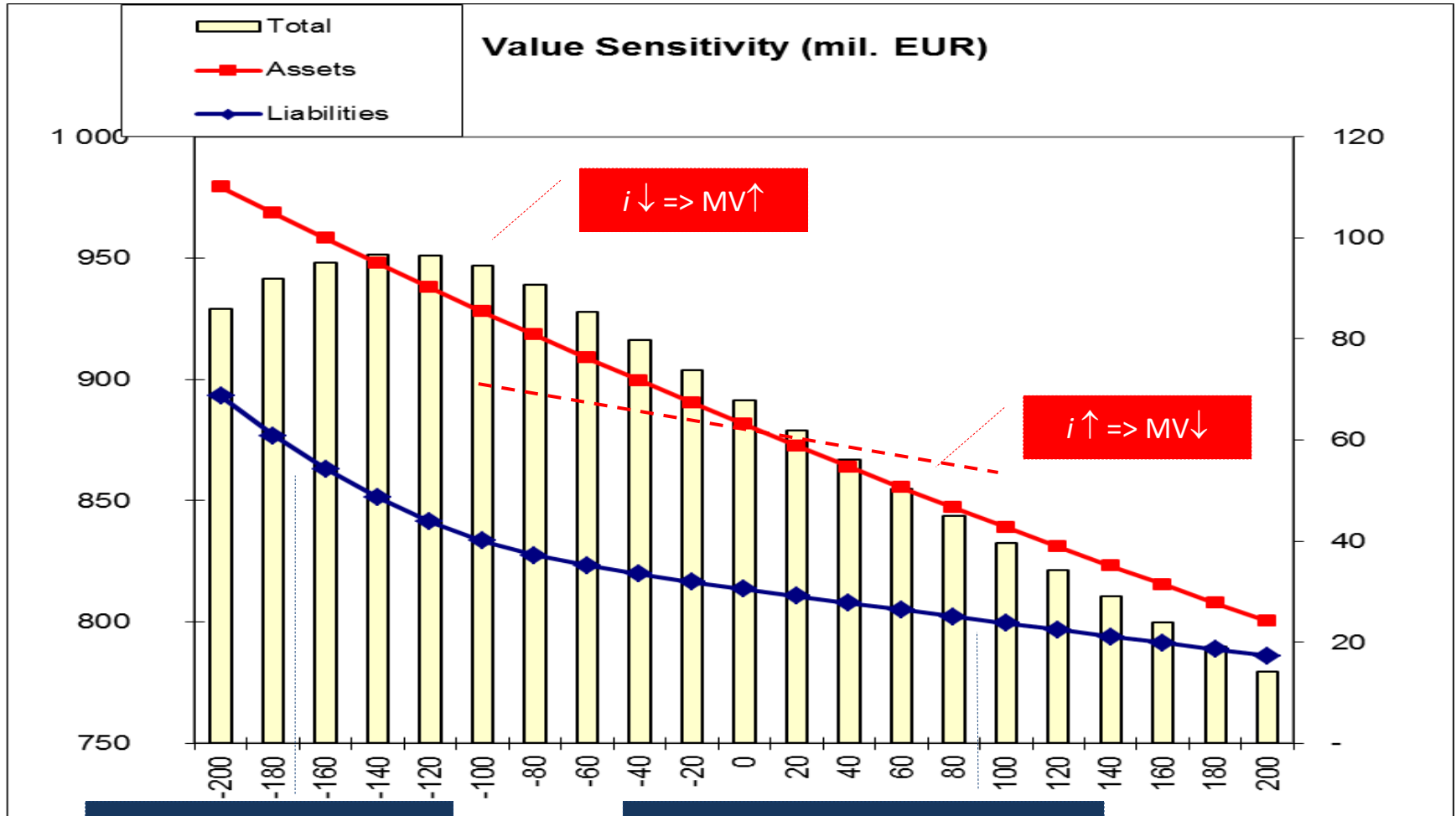
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ALM complexity



# A. Value Management (8) – Life With-Profit products



CF guar. (no PShare)  
 $i \downarrow$  (discount)  $\Rightarrow$  FVL  $\uparrow$

$i \uparrow$  discount  $\Rightarrow$  FVL  $\downarrow$   
 CF with PS  $\Rightarrow$  ( $i \uparrow \Rightarrow$  CF  $\uparrow$ )  $\Rightarrow$  FVL  $\uparrow$



# A. Value Management (9) – Possible Solutions Life W/P

## ☐ Buy „similar“ option

### ☐ Buy interest rate option (ptf of IR options)

☺ Best hedge

☹ Illiquid

☹ Expensive

### ☐ Buy the same contract from the other company ☺

## ☐ Change in assets duration (dynamically)

☹ Transaction costs

☹ Capital gains realization => (unwanted) PL effect

☹ Future investment returns!

## ☐ Limits

### ☐ Duration gap

### ☐ Dollar duration gap or 10bps BPV

### ☐ Other than parallel shifts

☐ Partial duration, Key rate sensitivity

☐ NY7

☐ Internally defined scenarios (crisis, ...)

☐ Duration

☐ Modified:  $MD = -\frac{1}{MV} \frac{dMV(YtM)}{dYtM}$

☐ Fix-coupon bond – can be shown:  $MD = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{TtM} \frac{t \cdot CF_t}{(1+YtM)^t}}{\sum_{t=1}^{TtM} \frac{CF_t}{(1+YtM)^t}}$  ... avg. TtM

☐ Note (important): With-Profit Insurance Liabilities

☐  $CF_t = f(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_t)$

☐ => „fix-coupon bond formula“ **cannot be applied!**

☐ MD does not have the „average time TtM“ interpretation

☐ Usually: MD estimation („effective duration“)

$$MD \approx -\frac{1}{MV(0)} \frac{MV(+\Delta i) - MV(-\Delta i)}{2 \cdot \Delta i}$$

applied for both A and L

YC shift (bps)	Value Sensitivity			Assets	Duration		Gap
	Assets	Liabilities	Total		Liabilities		
-200	979 220 859	- 888 724 725	<b>90 496 134</b>	5,4	8,7	<b>-3,3</b>	
-180	968 571 564	- 873 276 556	<b>95 295 007</b>	5,4	7,3	<b>-1,9</b>	
-160	958 129 718	- 860 489 253	<b>97 640 465</b>	5,3	6,5	<b>-1,1</b>	
-140	947 890 026	- 849 376 112	<b>98 513 914</b>	5,3	5,5	<b>-0,2</b>	
-120	937 847 357	- 839 995 542	<b>97 851 815</b>	5,3	4,4	<b>0,8</b>	
-100	927 996 735	- 832 521 541	<b>95 475 194</b>	5,2	3,4	<b>1,8</b>	
-80	918 333 335	- 826 913 310	<b>91 420 025</b>	5,2	2,3	<b>2,8</b>	
-60	908 852 479	- 823 031 383	<b>85 821 096</b>	5,1	2,1	<b>3,1</b>	
-40	899 549 630	- 819 638 113	<b>79 911 516</b>	5,1	1,8	<b>3,3</b>	
-20	890 420 385	- 816 727 544	<b>73 692 841</b>	5,0	1,6	<b>3,4</b>	
0	881 460 475	- 814 033 775	<b>67 426 700</b>	5,0	1,6	<b>3,4</b>	
20	872 665 757	- 811 368 748	<b>61 297 009</b>	4,9	1,6	<b>3,3</b>	
40	864 032 210	- 808 731 914	<b>55 300 296</b>	4,9	1,6	<b>3,3</b>	
60	855 555 931	- 806 122 738	<b>49 433 193</b>	4,9	1,6	<b>3,3</b>	
80	847 233 134	- 803 540 702	<b>43 692 432</b>	4,8	1,6	<b>3,2</b>	
100	839 060 141	- 800 985 297	<b>38 074 844</b>	4,8	1,6	<b>3,2</b>	
120	831 033 381	- 798 456 030	<b>32 577 350</b>	4,7	1,6	<b>3,2</b>	
140	823 149 388	- 795 952 422	<b>27 196 966</b>	4,7	1,6	<b>3,1</b>	
160	815 404 794	- 793 474 002	<b>21 930 792</b>	4,7	1,5	<b>3,1</b>	
180	807 796 329	- 791 020 314	<b>16 776 015</b>	4,6	1,5	<b>3,1</b>	
200	800 320 816	- 788 590 913	<b>11 729 903</b>	4,6	1,5	<b>3,1</b>	



# A. Value Management (10) – Other Ins. Ptf's

## ☐ Life w/o Profit share:

- ☐ No IR option
- ☐ CF is fixed (i.e. not depending on  $i$ )
- ☐ => similar behavior as bonds => possible to be matched by bonds
- ☐ OF volatility given by the other drivers than interest rates (insurance risk, op. risk, ...)

## ☐ Unit-linked

- ☐ U-L fund (replicable) - matched perfectly by the investment strategy chosen by the P/H
- ☐ Non-replicable – similar to Life w/o Pshare

## ☐ Non-life

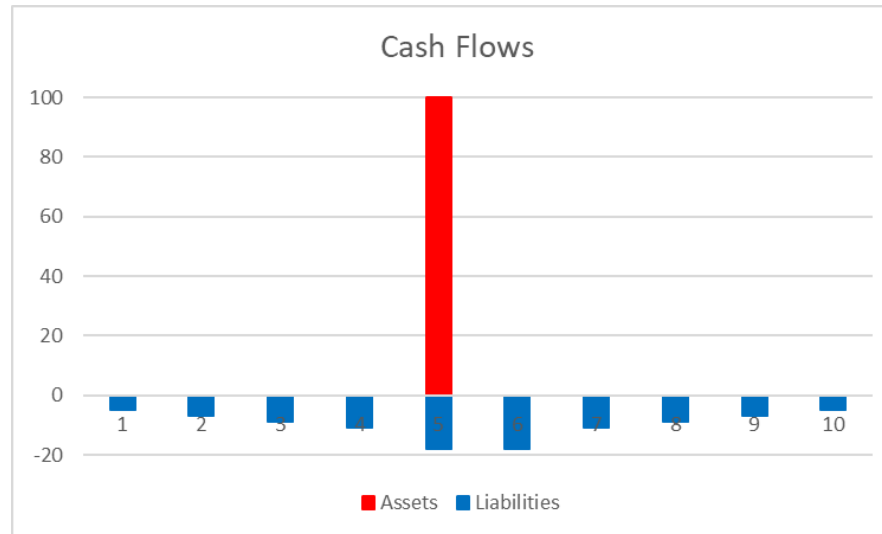
- ☐ Similar to Life w/o PShare
- ☐ + short term
- ☐ => short term investments match well

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## B. Cash flow management (1)

- Up to now – mgt. of immediate  $\Delta A$  and  $\Delta L$
- Illustrative company situation



- $i = 0\%$  flat
- Assets: 100 pcs of ZC Gov. Bond, 1 unit nominal each, TtM=5Y,  $D_A = 5$
- MVA = MVL = 100;  $D_A = D_L = 5 \Rightarrow$  Duration gap = 0;  
 $\Rightarrow$ we are OK...

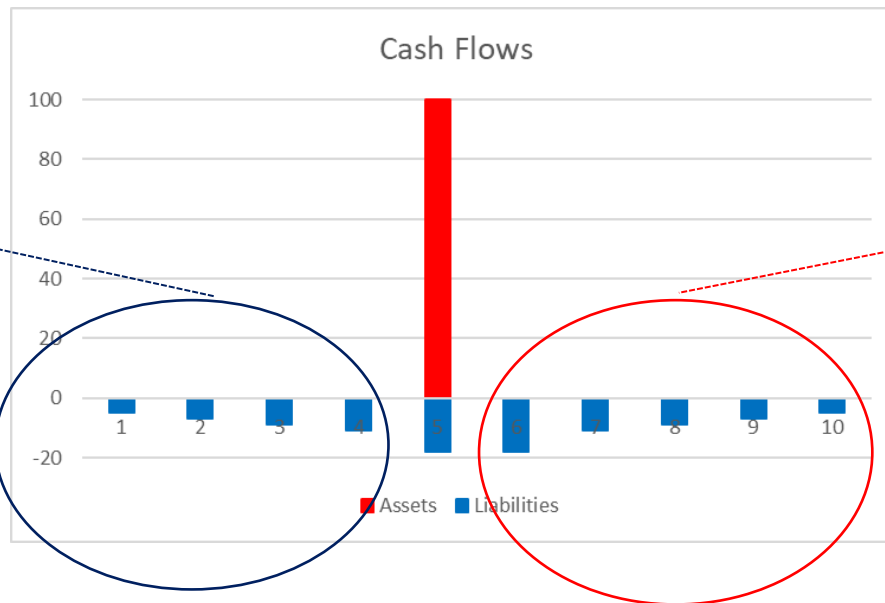
- Are we really OK?



## B. Cash flow management (2) – Reinvestment Risk

### □ What is the risk?

- Several pcs of the GBs will have to be **sold** in 1-5Y.
- **Risk:** Future MVs will be **low** => **More** than 50 pcs needs to **be sold**.

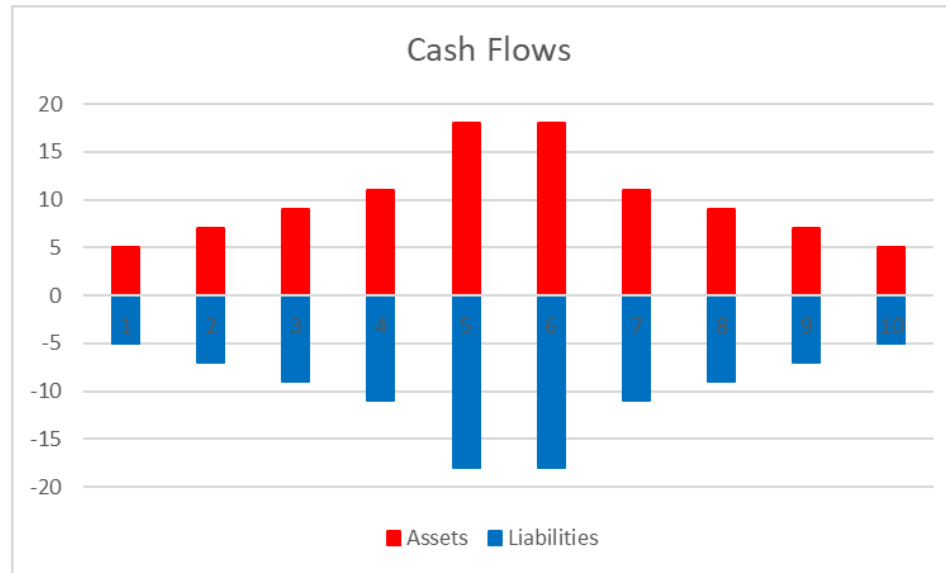


- Reinvestment of the GB after 5Y.
- **Risk:** Future MVs will be **high** => Not enough value will be obtained from the reinvestment to cover the remaining liabilities.



## B. Cash flow management (3) – Objective

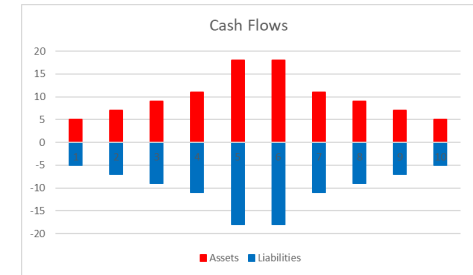
□ Objective:



## B. Cash flow management (4) – Practical Limitation

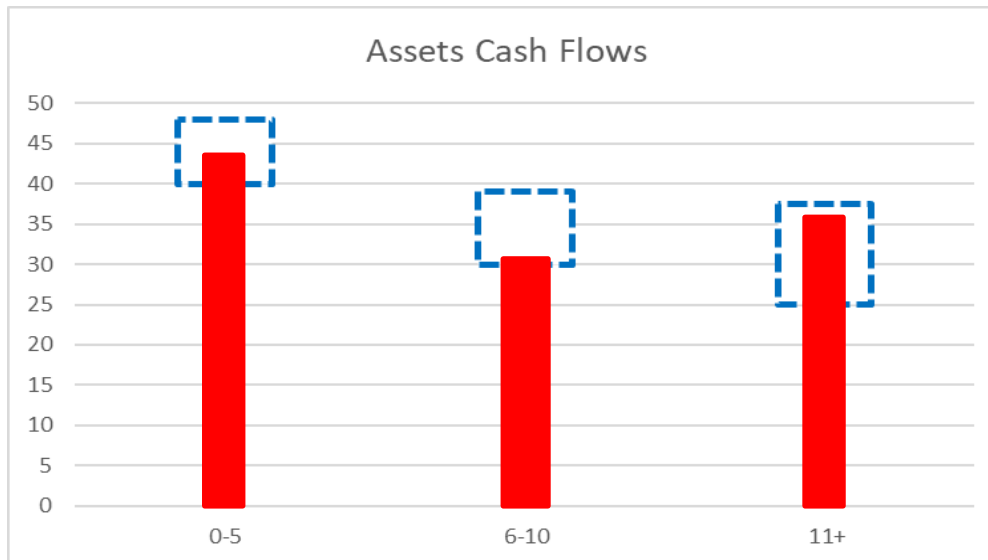
### ☐ Practical Limitations:

- ☐ Availability of relevant financial instruments
  - ☐ Every year
  - ☐ Long-term
  - ☐ [Státní ČR - Patria.cz](http://Státní ČR - Patria.cz)
- ☐ Insurance liability cash flow volatility
  - ☐ Insurance risk
  - ☐ Op. risk
  - ☐ Profit share
  - ☐ ...



## B. Cash flow management (5) – Solutions

- Usual Solutions - limits:
  - Cash flow gaps
    - Usually in buckets (e.g. 0-5, 6-10, 11+)
    - Stricter on short end



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# ALM Organization(1) – Investment Strategy example

## ☐ Investment Objectives

### ☐ *Objectives*

- ☐ *Max inv. performance to maximize long-term PL and Life Pshare*
- ☐ *Stay within all the defined risk limits*

### ☐ *Global company risk appetite statement*

- ☐ *Retain A- rating*
- ☐ *SII ratio > 200%*
- ☐ *Worst case loss < 1Y profit*
- ☐ *...*

## ☐ Portfolios Definition

### ☐ *Portfolios:*

- ☐ *A: Life&Hth W/P*
- ☐ *B: U-L;*
- ☐ *C: NL*
- ☐ *D: Own funds*
- ☐ *...*

☐ *Each ptf has assigned assets and is steered individually*

☐ *Rules for transfers between ptfs*

☐ *...*



# ALM Organization(2) – Investment Strategy ex. – Risk Limits

## ☐ Risk Limits

### ☐ Interest rate risk

#### ☐ Portfolio A:

- ☐ **BPV gap:  $10BPV_A - 10BPV_L < a\%$  of invested assets**
- ☐ *Duration gap:  $MD_A - MD_L < b$*
- ☐ *Key Rate Sensitivity < c% of invested assets for key rates (1, 3, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20)*
- ☐  $\Delta A - \Delta L < d$  [EUR] for each NY7 scenario
- ☐ ...

#### ☐ Portfolio B

- ☐ ...

### ☐ Reinvestment Risk

#### ☐ Portfolio A:

- ☐ *0-5: Cumulative CF = +-e% from the base scenario*
- ☐ *6-10: Cumulative CF = +-f% from the base scenario*
- ☐ *11: Cumulative CF = +-g% from the base scenario*

#### ☐ Portfolio B

- ☐ ...

# ALM Organization(3) – Investment Strategy ex. – Risk Limits

## ☐ Risk Limits (cont.)

### ☐ Bonds limits:

#### ☐ *Rating*

☐ *A rated and higher < h% of the invested assets*

☐ *BBB < i% of the invested assets*

☐ ...

#### ☐ *Sectors:*

☐ *GB <100%*

☐ *Municipality < j% of the invested assets*

☐ *Financial sector < k% of the invested assets*

☐ ...

#### ☐ *Countries:*

☐ ...

### ☐ Equities

☐ *VaR (1Y, 99%) < i % of the invested assets*

☐ *Ratings*

☐ *Sectors*

☐ ...

### ☐ Properties

☐ *VaR (1Y, 99%) < m% of the invested assets*



# ALM Organization(4) – Investment Strategy ex. – Risk Limits

- ☐ FX
    - ☐ *No risk allowed*
  - ☐ Derivatives
    - ☐ *Purely for FX risk mitigating*
  - ☐ Liquidity
    - ☐ *n% of invested assets with immediate liquidity*
    - ☐ ...
  - ☐ Concentration
    - ☐ Intra-Group
    - ☐ Out of the Group
- 
- ☐ Key terms definitions



# ALM Organization(5) – Investment Strategy ex. – Organization

## ☐ ALM organization:

### ☐ Roles:

- ☐ *CFO (BoD) + CRO (Risk Function)*
  - ☐ *Investment Strategy definition*
- ☐ *CFO*
  - ☐ *Assets Manager performance monitoring (benchmarking)*
  - ☐ *Comparison with the budget*
  - ☐ *Accounting recording of values of assets and liabilities*
  - ☐ *Head of A-L Committee*
- ☐ *CRO*
  - ☐ *Risk limits monitoring and reporting*
- ☐ *Assets manager:*
  - ☐ *Market trading*
  - ☐ *Maximal performance within the IS limits*
- ☐ *Actuarial Function*
  - ☐ *Actuarial figures calculated properly*
- ☐ ...

### ☐ A-L Committee

- ☐ *Monitoring, reporting, decisions rules and escalation procedures*
- ☐ ...



# ALM Organization(6) – ALM Report

- ☐ Comments on the market development – asset manager
  - ☐ political and financial situation, ...
  - ☐ interest rates, equities, ... development
  - ☐ market expectations
- ☐ Buy/sell operations realized – CFO (AM)
  - ☐ What has been bought/sold – what investment return realized
- ☐ Investment returns – CFO
  - ☐ market x accounting x plan x AM benchmark
- ☐ Risk position – CRO
  - ☐ Each limit check - 😊 x 😐 x 😞
- ☐ Buy/sell operations planned – CFO (AM)
  - ☐ Current and expected free cash investments

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