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Liquidity Analysis That's More Science Than Art

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Agenda

- Global Liquidity Trends
- Liquidity as a Science
- Incorporating Liquidity into your Workflow
- Bloomberg's Liquidity Assessment solution (LQA)

Global Liquidity Trends – Global Liquidity Report

- Surveyed 1,000+ financial practitioners across the globe about liquidity
- Liquidity is important to a wide range of roles and functions
- Industry lacks a consistent methodology to assess liquidity
- Timely, accurate data remains the biggest challenge

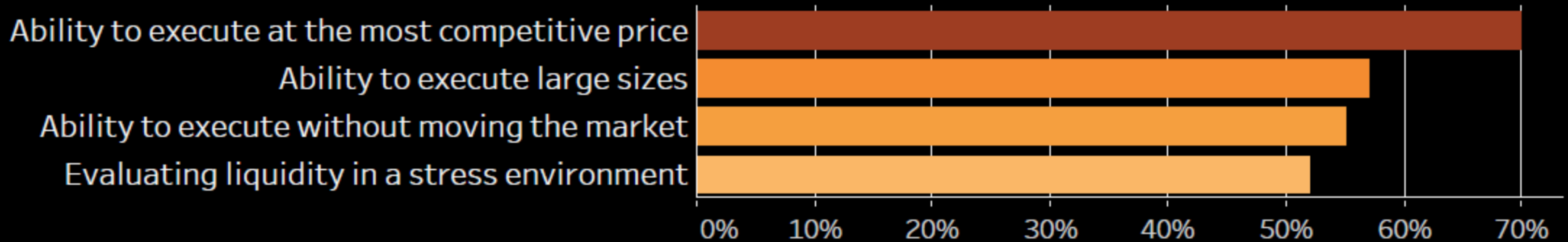
Global Liquidity Trends – Global Liquidity Report

- How confident are you in the accuracy of your liquidity analysis/estimates?
 - 69% somewhat confident
 - 14% Very confident
- What challenges do you face when using a proprietary or vendor solutions approach to assess liquidity?

Proprietary Solution	Vendor Solution
54% Gathering appropriate data 48% Time consuming process	45% Model transparency 41% Model Flexibility 40% Data accuracy

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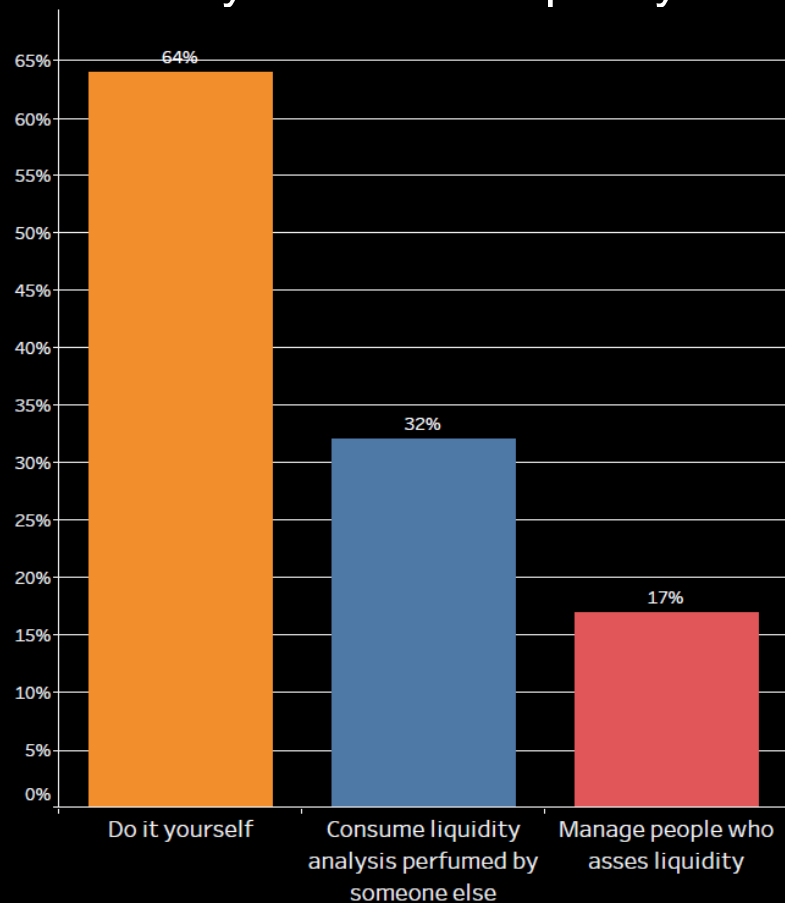
- How important are these aspects of monitoring/assessing liquidity?



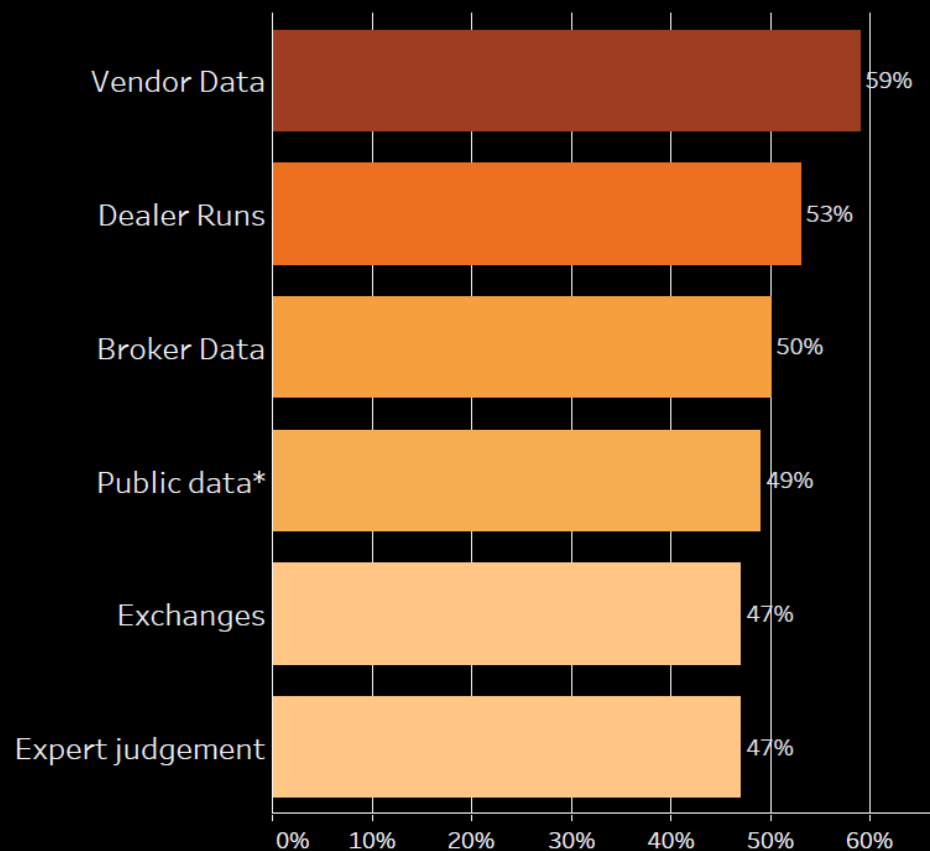
- What is the single most important aspect of monitor/assessing liquidity
 - **25%** Ability to execute at the most competitive price
 - **20%** Ability to execute without moving the market

Global Liquidity Trends – Global Liquidity Report

- How do you assess liquidity?



- Where do you source liquidity data?



* For example: TRACE, MSRB

Global Liquidity Trends – Global Liquidity Report

- How would you say market liquidity has changed in the past year?



- Of those who said liquidity conditions have improved:
55% Change in market depth is a sign of improving liquidity
- Of those who said liquidity conditions have worsened:
79% Change in market depth is a sign of worsening liquidity

Global Liquidity Trends – Liquidity in the News

- **May 17th** - “Collapse in Liquidity” is the biggest concern in JPMorgan’s Macro Quantitative and Derivatives Conference survey
- **June 3rd** – Neil Woodford suspends redemptions on his Equity Income Fund. “Financial markets . . . seem more and more a bigger house with smaller exit doors...and that would be exacerbated in case of market turmoil.” Pascal Blanque, Chief Investment Officer, Amundi
- **June 5th** – Pimco says “challenging liquidity conditions” here to stay
- **June 6th** – Mark Carney (Governor of the Bank of England), “more than \$30tn of global assets are held in investment funds that promise daily liquidity to investors despite investing in potentially illiquid underlying assets, such as [emerging market] debt”

Liquidity as a Science

- **Create a consistent definition of liquidity**
 - Relationship between volume, cost and time
- **Re-define “liquidity questions” to seek specific quantitative metrics** – many requests for liquidity metrics remain ‘under-defined’
 - “How liquid is this bond (in bps) compared to others in the sector?” (rather than “Is this bond liquid?”)
 - “At what cost, could I sell \$5 million of this security in 3 days?” (rather than “Can I sell this in 3 days?”)
- **Use data to eliminate subjectivity and bias**
 - Collect trade, quote, and pricing data for the available universe
 - Allow the data to identify relationships, and extrapolate to a wider universe

Incorporating Liquidity – Portfolio Construction

- Consider a set of bonds where the industry is “Internet Media”

Issuer Name	Ticker	Coupon	Maturity	Cntry	Region
Baidu Inc	BIDU	4.875	14-Nov-28	CN	APAC
Booking Holdings Inc	BKNG	3.600	1-Jun-26	US	AMER
Kakao Corp	DAUM	2.296	11-Apr-21	KR	APAC
eDreams ODIGEO SA	EDRSM	5.500	1-Sep-23	ES	EMEA
Expedia Group Inc	EXPE	3.800	15-Feb-28	US	AMER
Alphabet Inc	GOOGL	1.998	15-Aug-26	US	AMER
Match Group Inc	MTCH	5.625	15-Feb-29	US	AMER
Netflix Inc	NFLX	4.375	15-Nov-26	US	AMER
Perform Group	PERLN	8.500	15-Nov-20	GB	EMEA
Uber Technologies Inc	UBERUS	8.000	1-Nov-26	US	AMER
VeriSign Inc	VRSN	4.750	15-Jul-27	US	AMER
Yahoo Japan Corp	YAHOJP	0.500	6-Dec-28	JP	APAC

- How do you determine how which ones are ‘most liquid’?

Incorporating Liquidity – Portfolio Construction

- Using qualitative rules to define liquidity:

Issuer Name	Ticker	Coupon	Maturity	Cntry	Region	Credit Rating	HY/IG
Alphabet Inc	GOOGL	1.998	15-Aug-26	US	AMER	AA	IG
Kakao Corp	DAUM	2.296	11-Apr-21	KR	APAC	AA-	IG
Yahoo Japan Corp	YAHOJP	0.500	6-Dec-28	JP	APAC	A	IG
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VeriSign Inc	VRSN	4.750	15-Jul-27	US	AMER	BB+	HY
Netflix Inc	NFLX	4.375	15-Nov-26	US	AMER	BB-	HY
Match Group Inc	MTCH	5.625	15-Feb-29	US	AMER	BB-	HY
eDreams ODIGEO SA	EDRSM	5.500	1-Sep-23	ES	EMEA	B	HY
Uber Technologies Inc	UBERUS	8.000	1-Nov-26	US	AMER	B3	HY
Perform Group	PERLN	8.500	15-Nov-20	GB	EMEA	CCC+	HY

- Challenges: Granularity, changing market conditions, subjective (hard to defend)

Incorporating Liquidity – Portfolio Construction

- Using ‘soft’ quantitative measures (# trades) to define liquidity:

Issuer Name	Ticker	Coupon	Maturity	Cntry	Region	TRACE Trades in 20 Days
Uber Technologies Inc	UBERUS	8.000	1-Nov-26	US	AMER	97
Expedia Group Inc	EXPE	3.800	15-Feb-28	US	AMER	30
Netflix Inc	NFLX	4.375	15-Nov-26	US	AMER	20
VeriSign Inc	VRSN	4.750	15-Jul-27	US	AMER	18
Booking Holdings Inc	BKNG	3.600	1-Jun-26	US	AMER	15
Alphabet Inc	GOOGL	1.998	15-Aug-26	US	AMER	13
Match Group Inc	MTCH	5.625	15-Feb-29	US	AMER	11
Baidu Inc	BIDU	4.875	14-Nov-28	CN	APAC	6
Kakao Corp	DAUM	2.296	11-Apr-21	KR	APAC	0
eDreams ODIGEO SA	EDRSM	5.500	1-Sep-23	ES	EMEA	0
Yahoo Japan Corp	YAHOJP	0.500	6-Dec-28	JP	APAC	0
Perform Group	PERLN	8.500	15-Nov-20	GB	EMEA	0

- Challenges: Lack of data, # trades leaves missing dimensions (does not account for cost or time)

Incorporating Liquidity – Portfolio Construction

- Using a quantitative metric (liquidation cost):

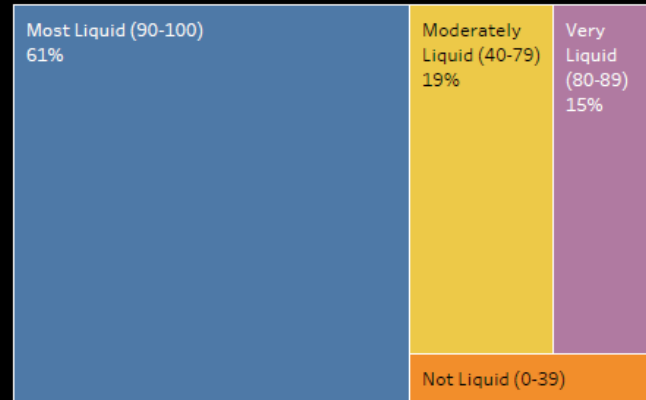
Issuer Name	Ticker	Coupon	Maturity	Cntry	Region	Roundtrip Cost (LQC)
Baidu Inc	BIDU	4.875	14-Nov-28	CN	APAC	0.18%
Alphabet Inc	GOOGL	1.998	15-Aug-26	US	AMER	0.27%
Booking Holdings Inc	BKNG	3.600	1-Jun-26	US	AMER	0.31%
Match Group Inc	MTCH	5.625	15-Feb-29	US	AMER	0.32%
Uber Technologies Inc	UBERUS	8.000	1-Nov-26	US	AMER	0.34%
Expedia Group Inc	EXPE	3.800	15-Feb-28	US	AMER	0.39%
VeriSign Inc	VRSN	4.750	15-Jul-27	US	AMER	0.42%
Kakao Corp	DAUM	2.296	11-Apr-21	KR	APAC	0.43%
Netflix Inc	NFLX	4.375	15-Nov-26	US	AMER	0.54%
eDreams ODIGEO SA	EDRSM	5.500	1-Sep-23	ES	EMEA	0.54%
Yahoo Japan Corp	YAHOJP	0.500	6-Dec-28	JP	APAC	0.90%
Perform Group	PERLN	8.500	15-Nov-20	GB	EMEA	1.01%

- Challenges: Gathering data, extrapolating to a wider universe, consistency, transparency

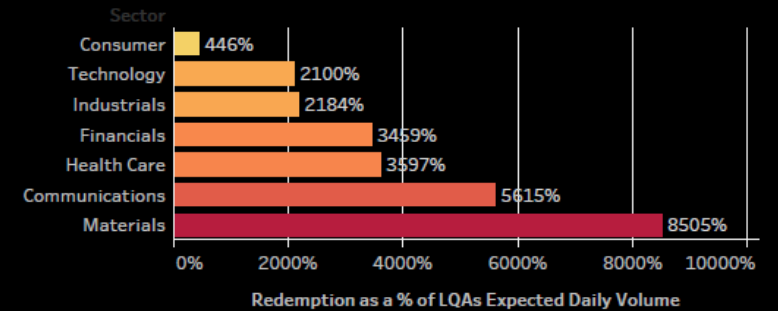
Incorporating Liquidity – Considering Volume

- On June 3rd, Neil Woodford suspended redemptions on his flagship fund as a spate of losses fueled outflows
- While the underlying securities in the **Woodford Equity Income Fund** appear somewhat liquid, Bloomberg's LQA analytics reveal that the fund's positions are significantly larger than the available market capacity
- As a result, it would be difficult to fulfill redemption requests in a timely manner without significant market impact under a number of redemption scenarios.

Liquidity Scores by Security

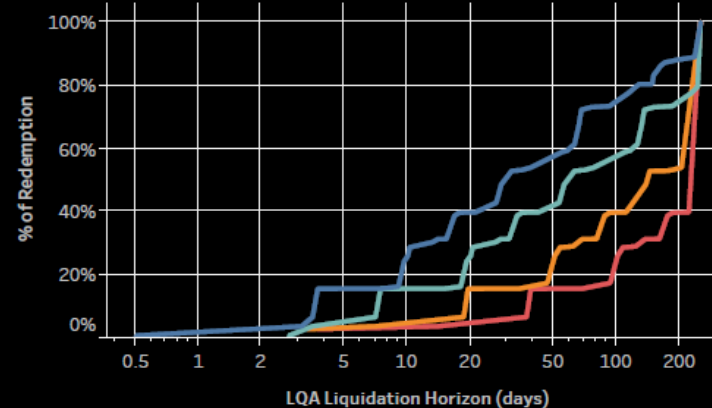


5% Redemption vs LQA Expected Daily Volume



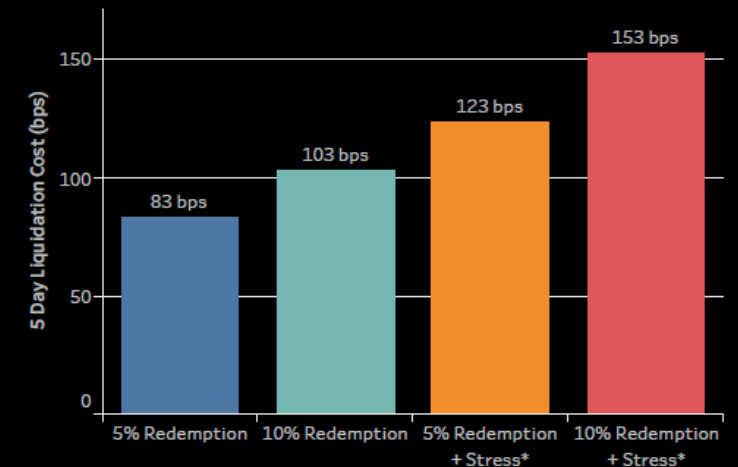
Liquidation Timeline by Scenario

Redemptions are applied pro-rata across the portfolio assuming a 20% participation rate



■ 5% Redemption
■ 10% Redemption
■ 5% Redemption + Stress*
■ 10% Redemption + Stress*

Average 5 Day Liquidation Cost by Scenario



* This stress scenario consists of a 50% increase in price volatility, and 30% decrease in expected daily volume (EDV) applied at the security level

Incorporating Liquidity – Pre/Post Trade Analysis

- Analyze the impact of volume on cost and horizon

Liquidation Cost (LC) Analysis - Trading Horizon = 1 Day

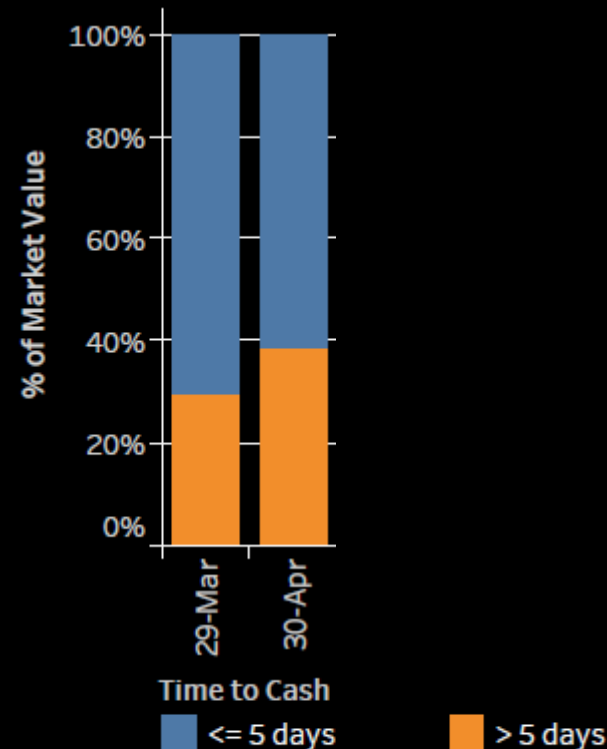
Ticker	Trade Size	Expected LC	25th Percentile LC	50th Percentile LC	75th Percentile LC
BIDU 4 7/8 11/14/28	5,000,000	0.09%	0.07%	0.09%	0.11%
	10,000,000	0.11%	0.09%	0.10%	0.13%
	15,000,000	0.12%	0.09%	0.11%	0.14%
GOOGL 1.998 08/15/26	5,000,000	0.11%	0.09%	0.11%	0.13%
	10,000,000	0.13%	0.11%	0.13%	0.15%
	15,000,000	0.15%	0.12%	0.14%	0.17%

Liquidation Horizon (LH) Analysis - Cost Threshold = 0.10%

Ticker	Trade Size	Expected LH (Days)	25th Percentile LH	50th Percentile LH	75th Percentile LH
BIDU 4 7/8 11/14/28	5,000,000	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.6
	10,000,000	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.7
	15,000,000	1.3	0.7	1.1	1.6
GOOGL 1.998 08/15/26	5,000,000	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.6
	10,000,000	1.3	0.7	1.1	1.7
	15,000,000	2.4	1.5	2.5	3.9

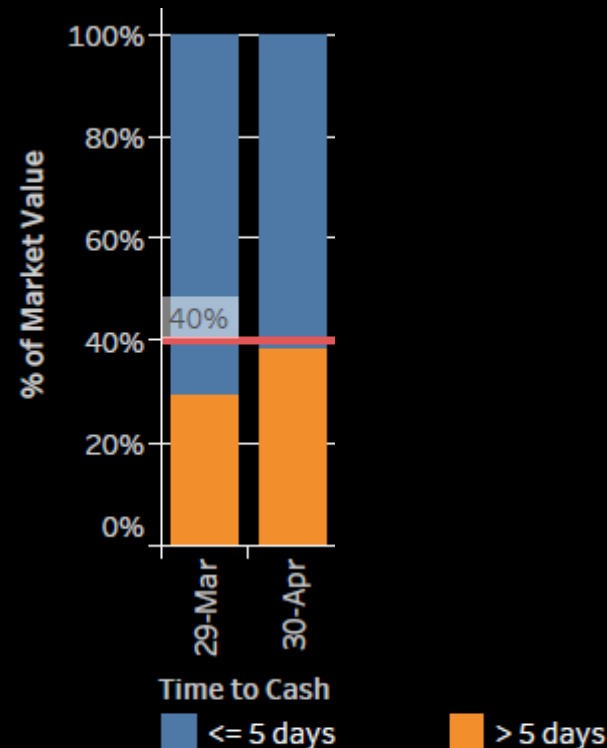
Incorporating Liquidity – Risk Limits

- Goal: Satisfy a large redemption request without significant market impact
- Parameters:
 - Redemption size: 10%
 - Cost threshold: 50 bps
 - Confidence level: 90%
 - Target: Convert to cash in 5 business days



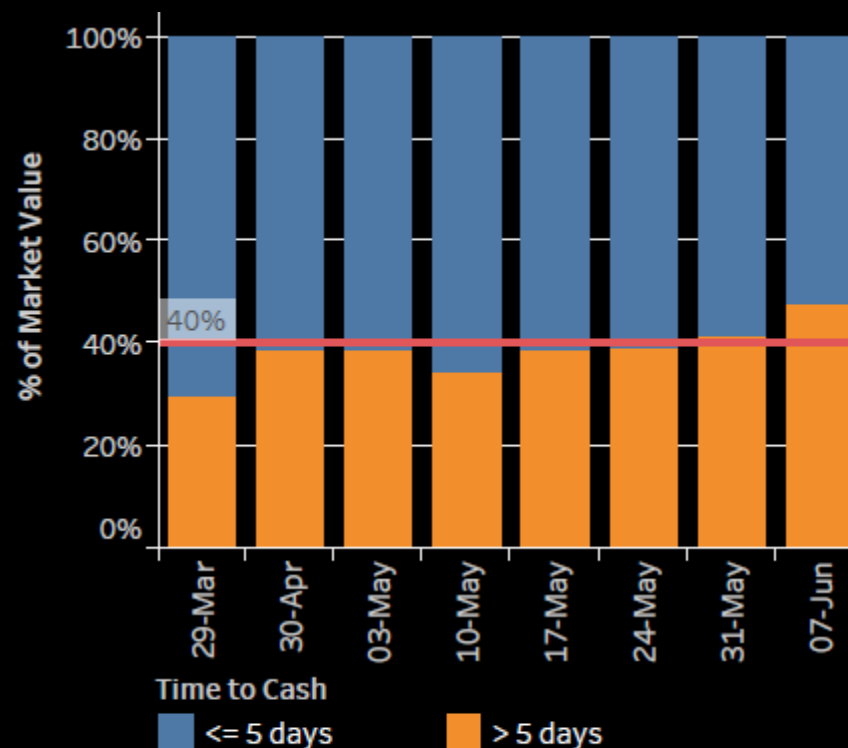
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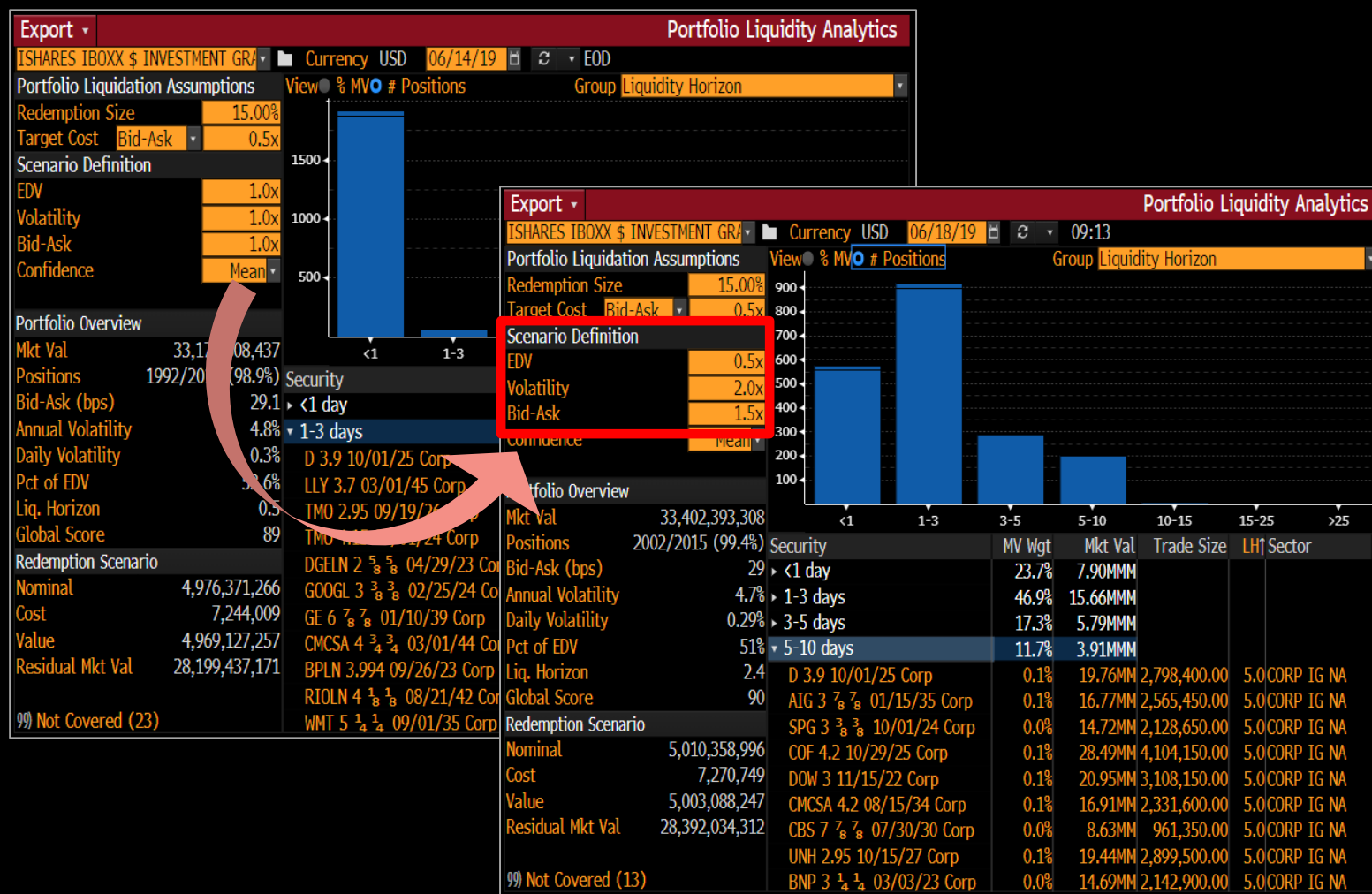
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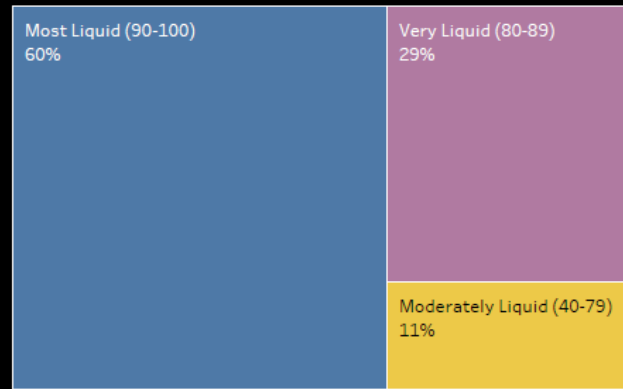
- Systematically assess liquidation cost and horizon under multiple scenarios
- Customize scenarios using:
 - Redemption Size
 - Bid-Ask Spread
 - Expected Daily Volume
 - Price Volatility
 - Confidence



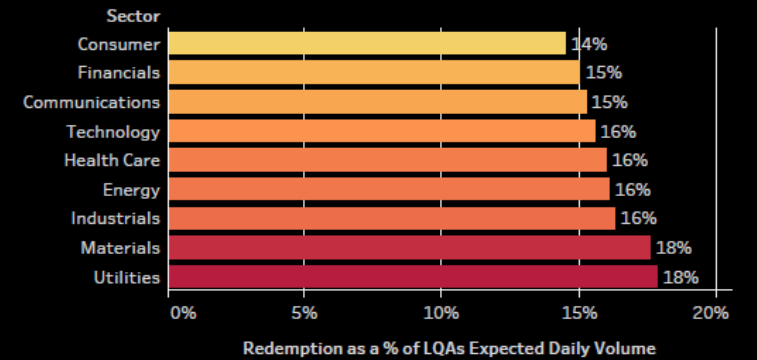
Incorporating Liquidity – Investor Reporting

- Detailed data-driven metrics give investors confidence in a fund's liquidity

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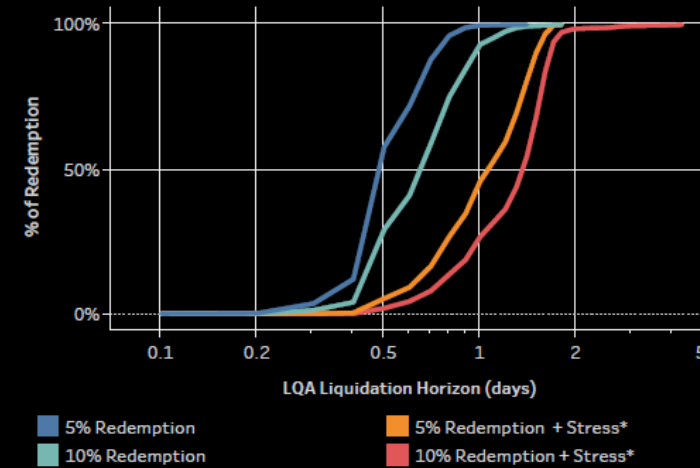


5% Redemption vs LQA Expected Daily Volume

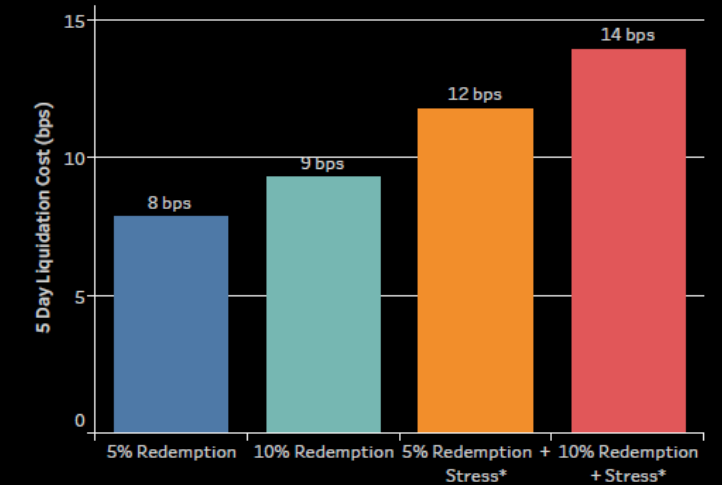


Liquidation Timeline by Scenario

Redemptions are applied pro-rata across the portfolio with a cost of half bid-ask spread

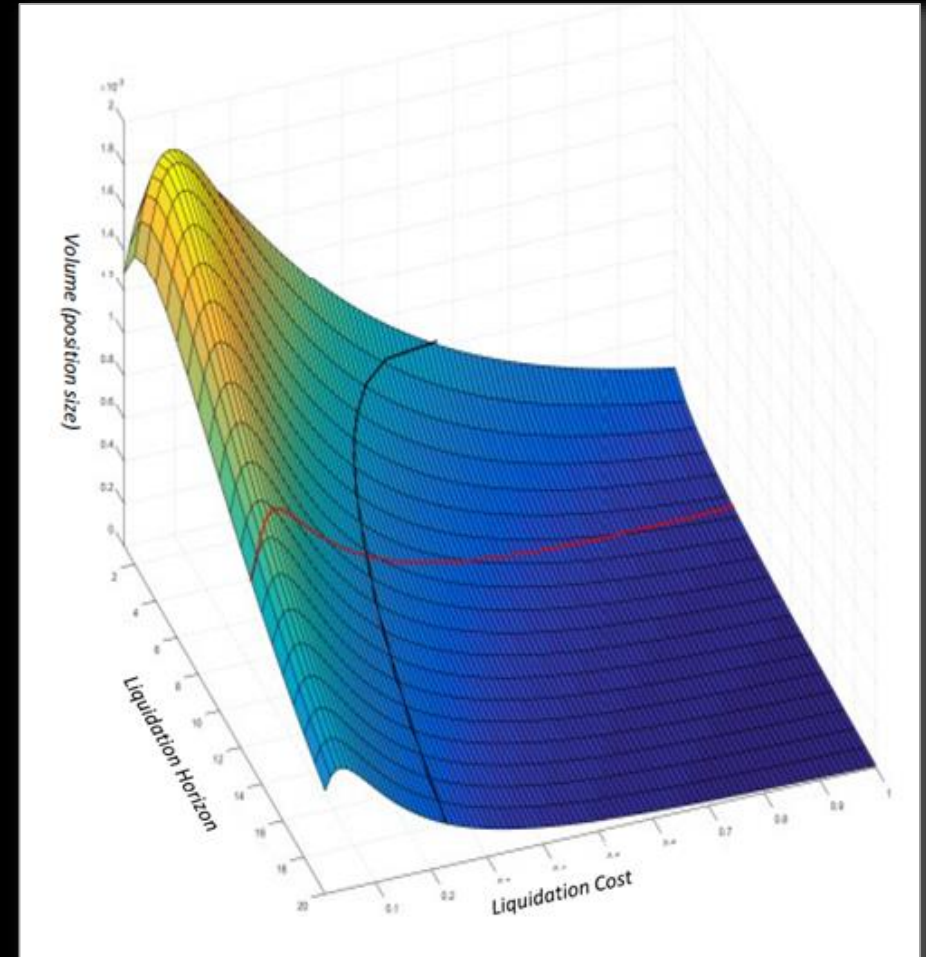


Average 5 Day Liquidation Cost by Scenario

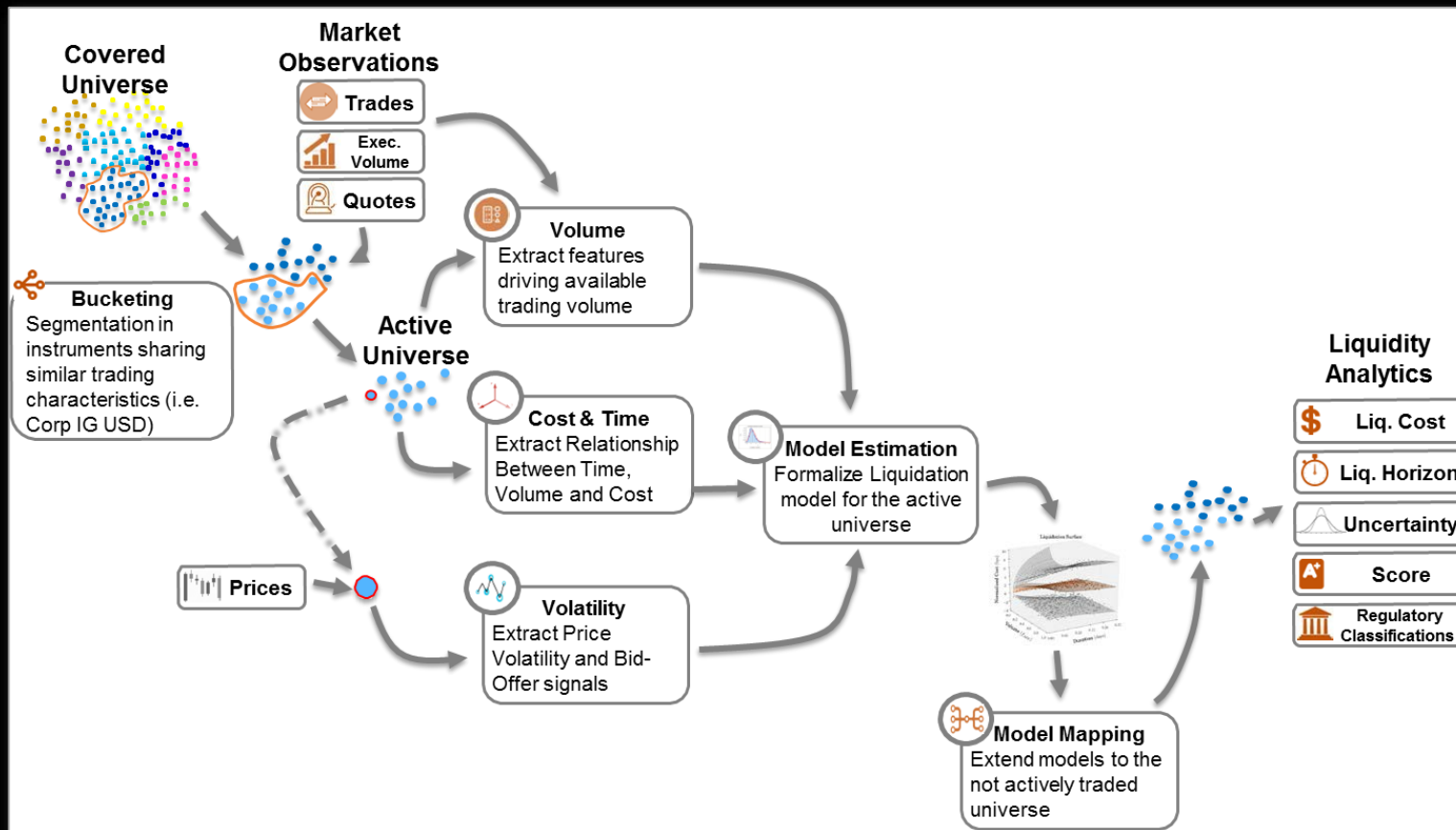


Bloomberg's Liquidity Assessment Solution (LQA)

- Data-driven model to measure liquidity
- Liquidity surface relating volume, horizon, and cost at a position-level
- Machine learning techniques used to extrapolate to instruments with minimal trade data

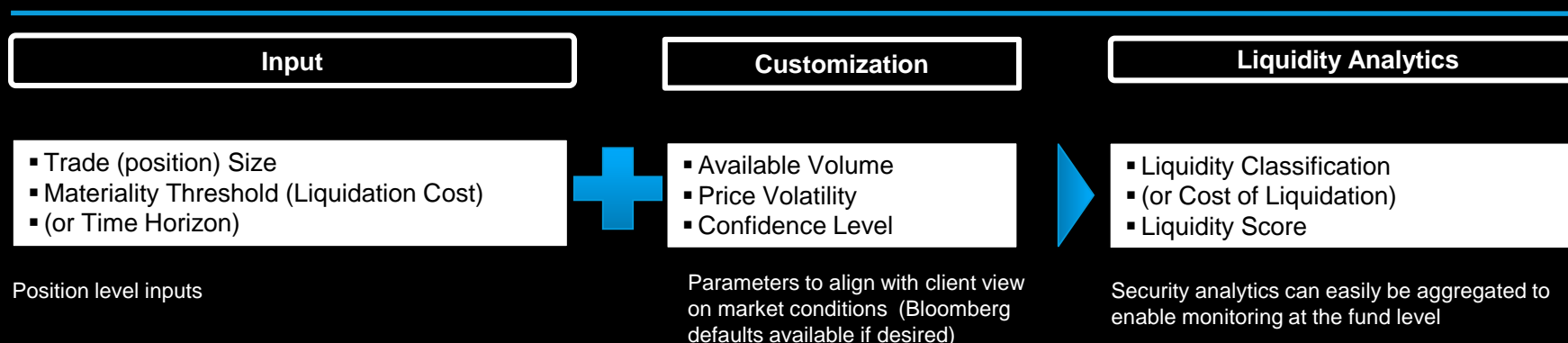


Bloomberg LQA – Machine Learning Process



Bloomberg LQA – Enterprise Data Feed Workflow

- Data provided via Bloomberg’s Data License platform
- Client submits a request, and receives a response with the LQA data



POSITION DATA				MARKET INPUTS			LIQUIDATION HORIZON ANALYSIS		REGULATORY FIELDS	
ISIN	SECURITY DESCRIPTION	POSITION SIZE	MATERIALITY THRESHOLD	PRICE VOLATILITY	EXPECTED DAILY VOLUME	LQA BID-ASK SPREAD	LIQUIDATION HORIZON	TIME TO CASH	AIFMD	SEC 22e4
FR0012278539	ARKEMA	2,300,000	0.1489%	0.80%	3,786,748	0.3257	0.4	2.4	2-7 days	HL
XS1508392625	ATF NETHERLANDS BV	4,700,000	0.2131%	1.79%	4,886,529	0.4493	0.4	2.4	2-7 days	HL
USF11494AA36	BPCE SA	4,000,000	0.1897%	0.58%	2,187,064	0.4500	1.5	3.5	2-7 days	HL
FR0011606169	CASINO GUICHARD PERRACHO	3,900,000	0.1849%	1.58%	3,238,257	0.3806	0.9	2.9	2-7 days	HL
FR0010814434	CREDIT AGRICOLE SA	2,050,000	0.1444%	0.39%	1,215,420	0.3306	2.0	4	2-7 days	HL
USF22797FK97	CREDIT AGRICOLE SA	5,000,000	0.1737%	2.23%	4,512,247	0.3841	0.7	2.7	2-7 days	HL
XS1139494493	GAS NATURAL FENOSA FINAN	7,800,000	0.1532%	2.05%	6,196,163	0.3319	1.2	3.2	2-7 days	HL
XS1140860534	GENERALI FINANCE BV	4,450,000	0.2143%	3.30%	5,380,701	0.4602	0.3	2.3	2-7 days	HL
XS1191320297	GRAND CITY PROPERTIES SA	1,500,000	0.2200%	0.90%	1,825,287	0.4731	0.3	2.3	2-7 days	HL
FR0011896513	GROUPAMA SA	6,200,000	0.2055%	2.77%	6,874,861	0.4911	0.4	2.4	2-7 days	HL

Bloomberg LQA – Asset Class Coverage

- Wide range of asset classes globally
- Consistent output across asset classes
- Clients can use proxies for securities not covered by LQA

3.7M Total Coverage

175k

GSAC

Governments, Supra-nationals, Agencies, and Corporates

950k

U.S. Municipals

Tax exempt, Taxable, High Yield, Distressed and Defaulted

1.3m

Structured Products

Mortgages including ABS, MBS and CMBS

4,000

Syndicated Loans

60k

Global Equity & ETFs

4,500

Preferred Stock

1.2m

Listed Derivatives

Equity Options, Equity Index Futures



Questions?