

Bond Market Development in Emerging East Asia

Derivatives and Risk Hedging

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What is a Derivative?

- A financial agreement or contract between two parties in which its value is “derived” from an underlying asset or index.
- Uses:
 - Risk hedging
 - Speculative or investment motive

General Categories of Derivative

- Forward Commitment

In a forward commitment-type derivative, the transaction is carried out at a later date.

- Contingent Claim

In a contingent claim-type derivative, a transaction is carried out if a specified event occurs.

Examples of Forward Commitment Derivatives

- Forward Contracts
- Futures Contracts
- Interest Rate Swaps
- Currency Swaps

Examples of Contingent Commitment Derivatives

- Call Options – gives the holder the right but not the obligation to buy an asset at a set price.
- Put Options - gives the holder the right but not the obligation to sell an asset at a set price.
- Equity Warrants – a type of call option for equity.
- Swaptions – give the holder the right but not the obligation to enter in a swap agreement.

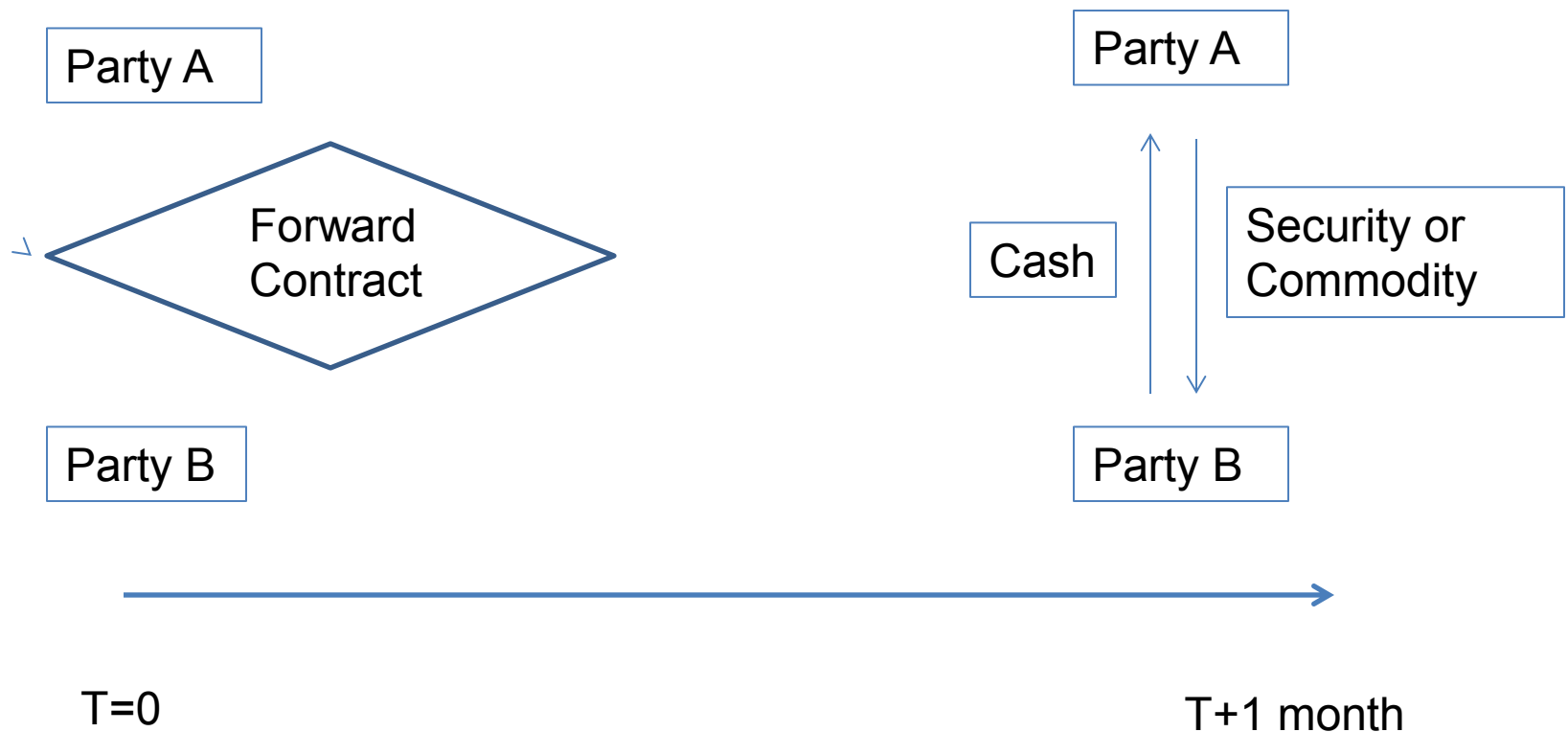
Forwards

- Forwards are derivative contracts that will allow parties to exchange assets at a future date at a specified price.
- Allows for hedging of price risk.
- Typically, cash is exchanged for another asset.

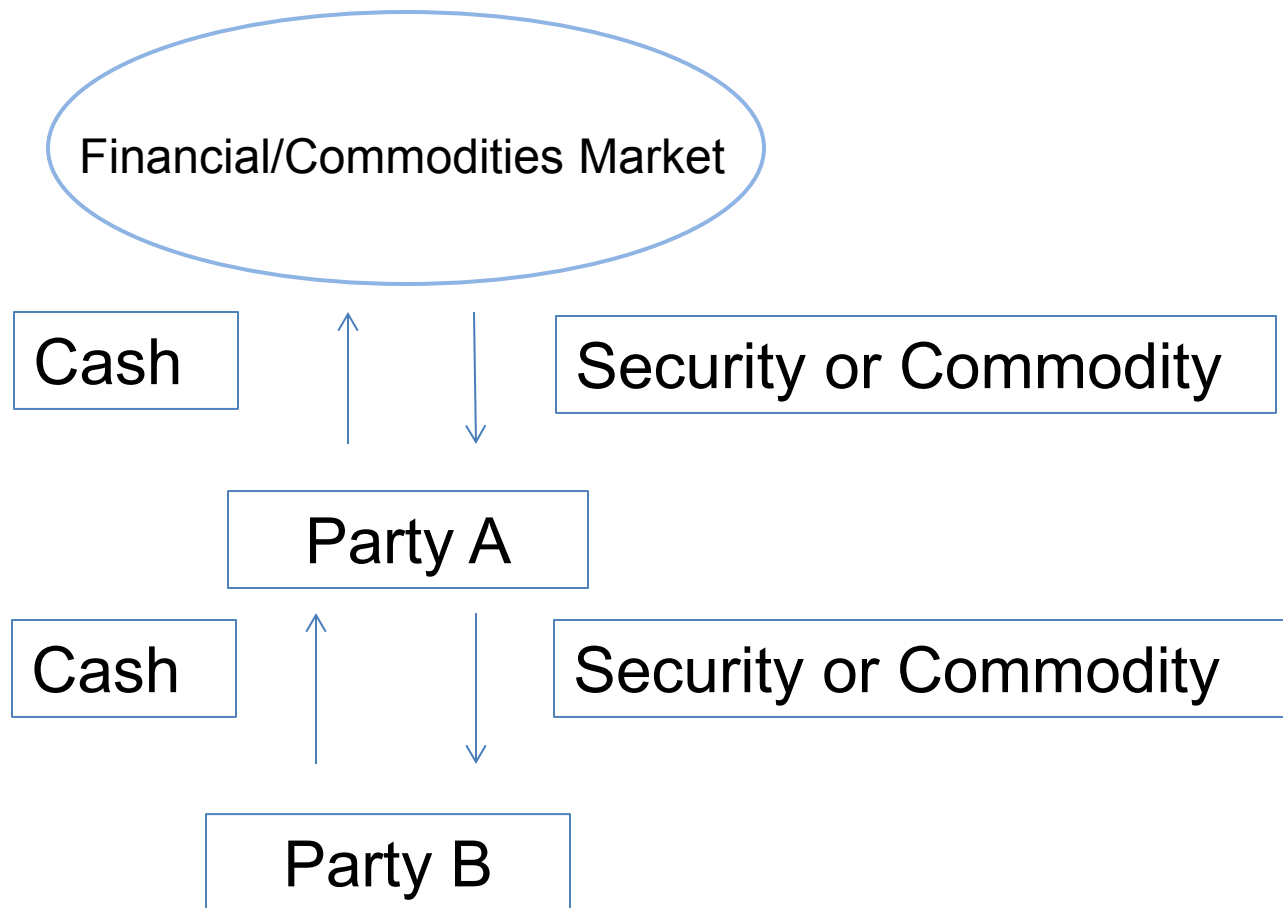
Terms Used for Derivatives

- Spot Price – the current price of the asset
- Forward Price – the agreed upon transaction price of the asset
- Underlying – the asset that is being referred to in the forward contract
- Notional – the size or amount of the underlying

Sample Transaction



Risks in a Forward Transaction



Examples of Forwards

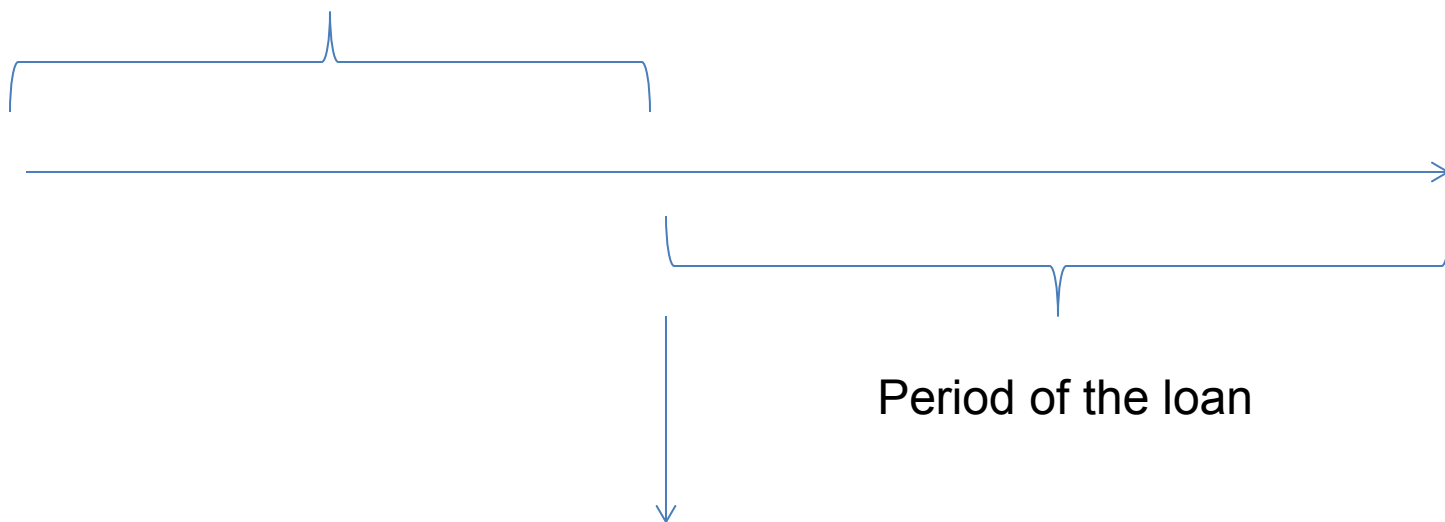
- Commodity Forwards
- Equity Forwards
- Bond Forwards
- Interest Rate Forwards or Forward Rate Agreements

Forward Rate Agreement

- Used to hedge a change in interest rate.
- The payout is based on a difference between the agreed upon interest rate at the time the contract is entered into and the current market rate of the reference interest rate.
- Normally used to hedge interest rate risk exposure before entering into a loan.
- The asset exchanged is an interest payment.

Forward Rate Agreement

Life of the FRA



$$Payout = \frac{Notional * (c - r) * \frac{t}{360}}{1 + r * t/360}$$

Futures Versus Forwards

Futures	Forwards
Marked-to-market	Not marked-to-market
Traded on a centralized exchange	Traded on the over-the-counter (OTC) market
Standardized	Not standardized
Settled daily	Settled at the end of the contract
Margin requirements	No Margin Requirements

Methods of Settlement

- Physical Delivery
- Cash Settlement
- Offsetting Position

Leverage in Derivatives

- Prior example shows that derivatives are highly leveraged transactions.
- Can be an efficient way of gaining exposure to the underlying asset classes.
- But potentially increases risk.

Bond Futures/Forwards

- A type of derivative contract used to hedge or gain exposure to bond investments.
- Settlement can be cash-settled or physical delivery, depending on market.
- A hypothetical bond is used as the underlying.

Bond Futures/Forwards

	China, People's Republic of	Hong Kong, China	Korea, Republic of			Malaysia		Thailand
Instrument	5-year Treasury Bond Futures	3-year EFN Futures	3-year KTB Futures	5-year KTB Futures	10-year KTB Futures	3-year MGS Futures	5-year MGS Futures	5-year Government Bond Futures
Settlement	Physical	Physical	Cash	Cash	Cash	Cash	Cash	Cash
Contract Size		HKD5M	KRW100 M	KRW100 M	KRW100 M	MYR0.1 M	MYR0.1 M	THB1M
Exchange	China Financial Futures Exchange	Hong Kong Futures Exchange	Korea Exchange			Bursa Malaysia		Thailand Futures Exchange

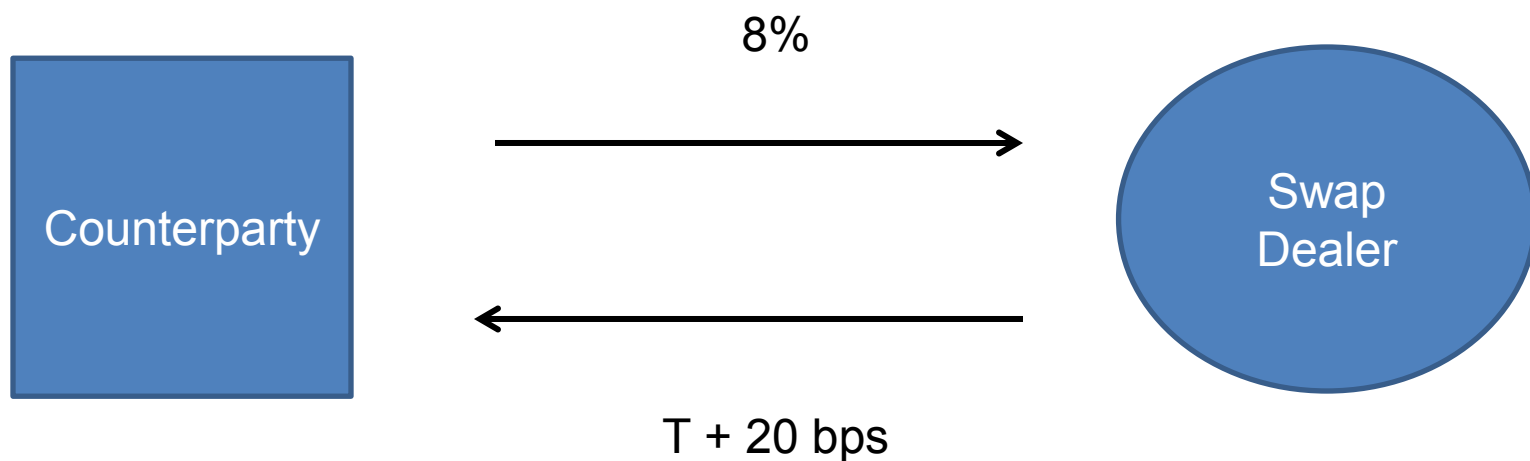
Swaps

- A type of derivative contract wherein periodic exchanges or payments are made over the life of the contract.
- Can be viewed as a series of forward transactions.

Interest Rate Swaps

- A type of swap wherein one party pays a periodic payment based on a fixed interest rate, while the other pays based on a variable interest rate.
- No exchange of principal

Interest Rate Swaps



Uses of Interest Rate Swaps

- Allows for transformation of a liability or asset.
- Converts exposure to a fixed rate to a floating rate or vice versa.
- Can hedge against either a fall or a rise in interest rates.

Example

	LIBOR	Floating Payment	Fixed Payment	Net
Q2 2013	4.2%			
Q4 2013	4.8%	2.1	2.5	-0.40
Q2 2014	5.3%	2.4	2.5	-0.10
Q4 2014	5.5%	2.65	2.5	0.15
Q2 2015	5.6%	2.75	2.5	0.25
Q4 2015	5.9%	2.80	2.5	0.30
Q2 2016	6.4%	2.95	2.5	0.45

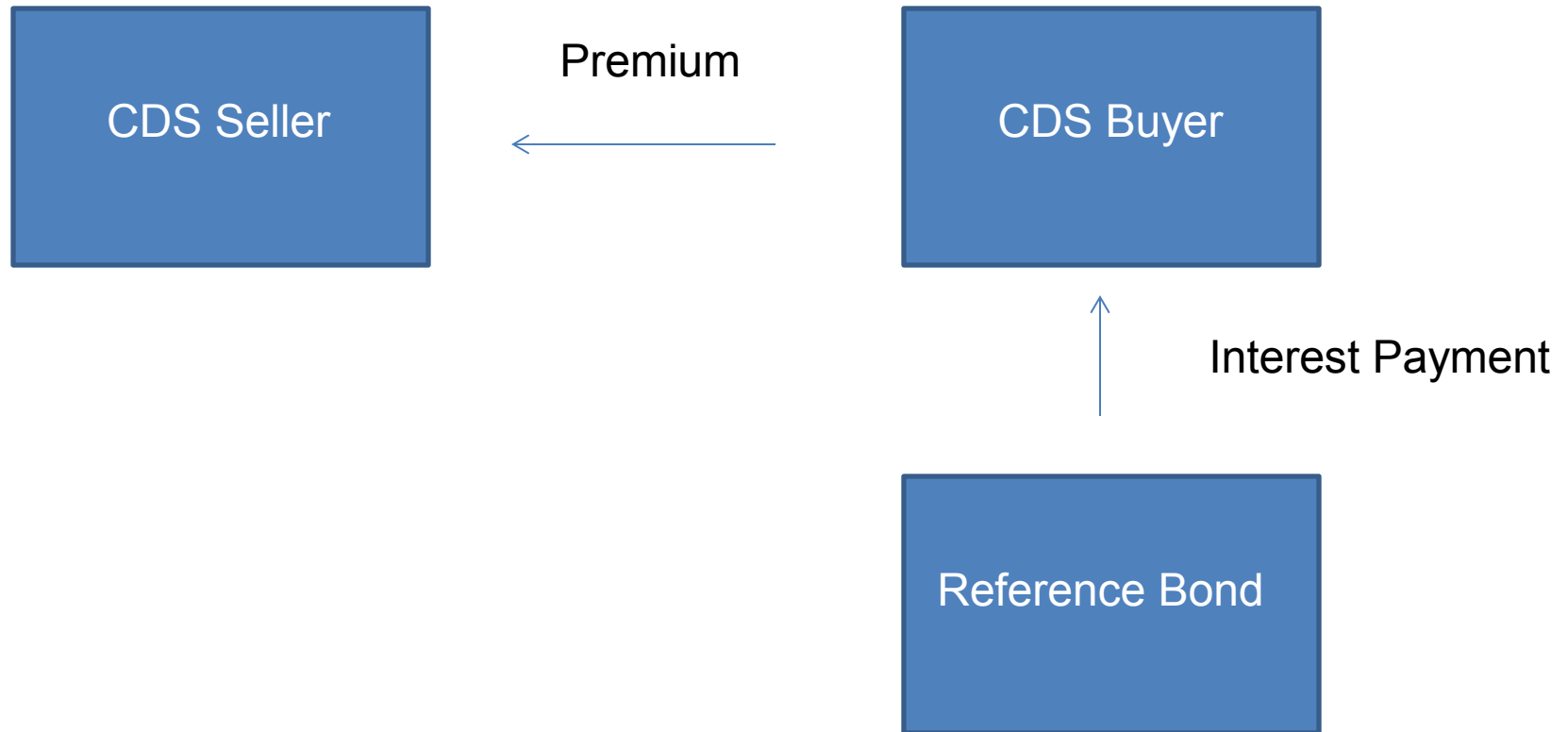
Use of Netting

- Not just for ease of payment.
- Mitigates credit risk.
- Netting applies if one counterparty should become bankrupt.
- Also reduces systemic risk of derivatives, by reducing total exposure.

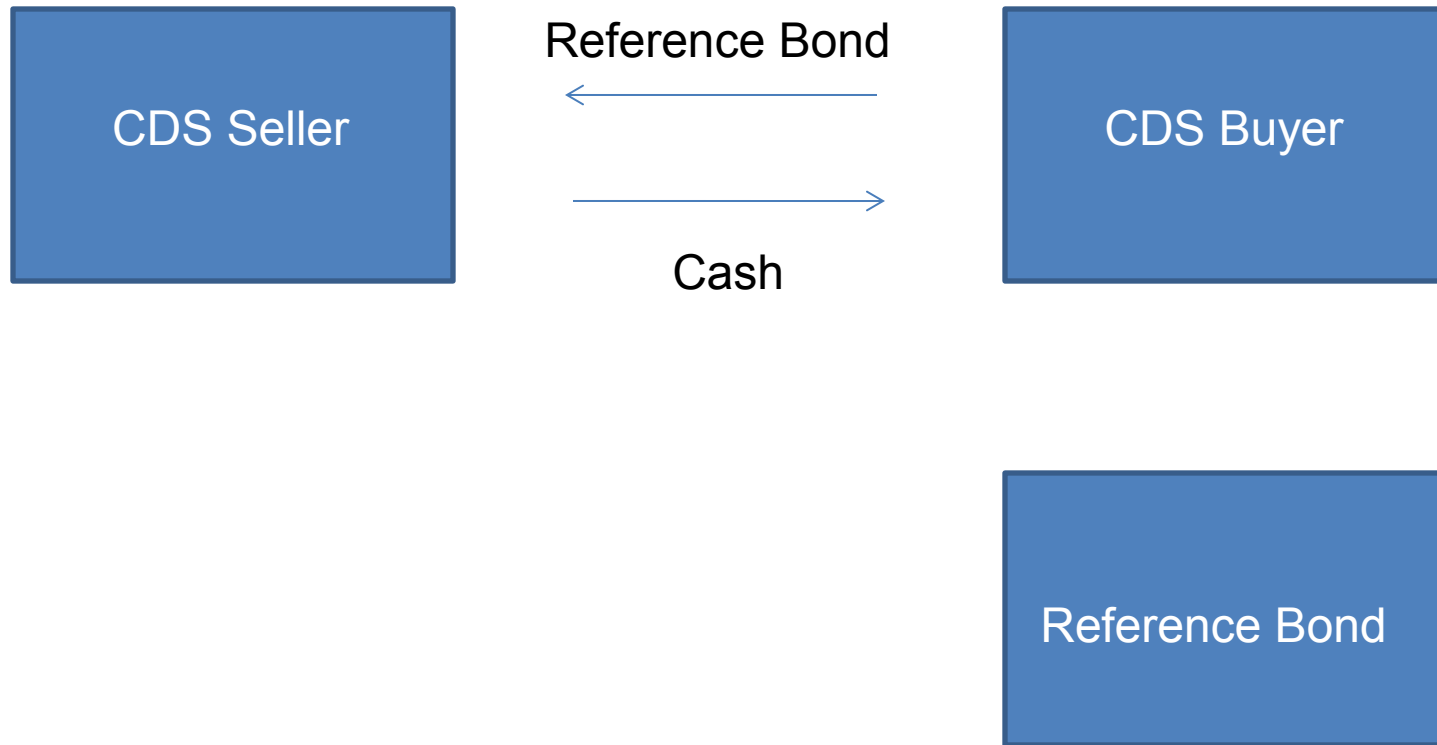
Credit Default Swaps

- A type of derivative transaction used to hedge credit risk.
- Credit default swaps are similar to insurance, wherein the triggering event for a payout is a credit event.
- Does not remove credit risk, merely transfer burden to the seller of the credit default swap.

Credit Default Swaps



Credit Default Swaps



Settlement for Credit Default Swaps

- Buyer delivers the bond, seller delivers cash equivalent to par value.
- Seller delivers cash value equal to par value less market value of bond.

Trigger Events for Credit Default Swaps

- Bankruptcy
- Failure to pay
- Restructuring
- Repudiation or moratorium
- Obligation acceleration or default