

**CME Group Webcast**

**Practitioners' Guide to Riding the Yield Curve  
While the Fed Unwinds QE**

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## Transcript of Chairman Bernanke's Press Conference June 19, 2013

“Although the Committee left the pace of purchases unchanged at today’s meeting, **it has stated that it may vary the pace of purchases as economic conditions evolve. Any such change would reflect the incoming data and their implications for the outlook, as well as the cumulative progress made toward the Committee’s objectives since the program began in September.** Going forward, the economic outcomes that the Committee sees as most likely involve continuing gains in labor markets, supported by moderate growth that picks up over the next several quarters as the near-term restraint from fiscal policy and other headwinds diminishes. **We also see inflation moving back toward our 2 percent objective over time. If the incoming data are broadly consistent with this forecast, the Committee currently anticipates that it would be appropriate to moderate the monthly pace of purchases later this year.** And if the subsequent data remain broadly aligned with our current expectations for the economy, we would continue to reduce the pace of purchases in measured steps through the first half of next year, ending purchases around midyear. In this scenario, when asset purchases ultimately come to an end, the unemployment rate would likely be in the vicinity of 7 percent, with solid economic growth supporting further job gains, a substantial improvement from the 8.1 percent unemployment rate that prevailed when the Committee announced this program. **I would like to emphasize once more the point that our policy is in no way predetermined and will depend on the incoming data and the evolution of the outlook as well as on the cumulative progress toward our objectives. If conditions improve faster than expected, the pace of asset purchases could be reduced somewhat more quickly.** If the outlook becomes less favorable, on the other hand, or if financial conditions are judged to be inconsistent with further progress in the labor markets, reductions in the pace of purchases could be delayed. Indeed, should it be needed, the Committee would be prepared to employ all of its tools, including an increase in the pace of purchases for a time, to promote a return to maximum employment in a context of price stability.”

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## How important is Economic Data when trading CME Group's UST Futures?



## Agenda

### Who I am ?

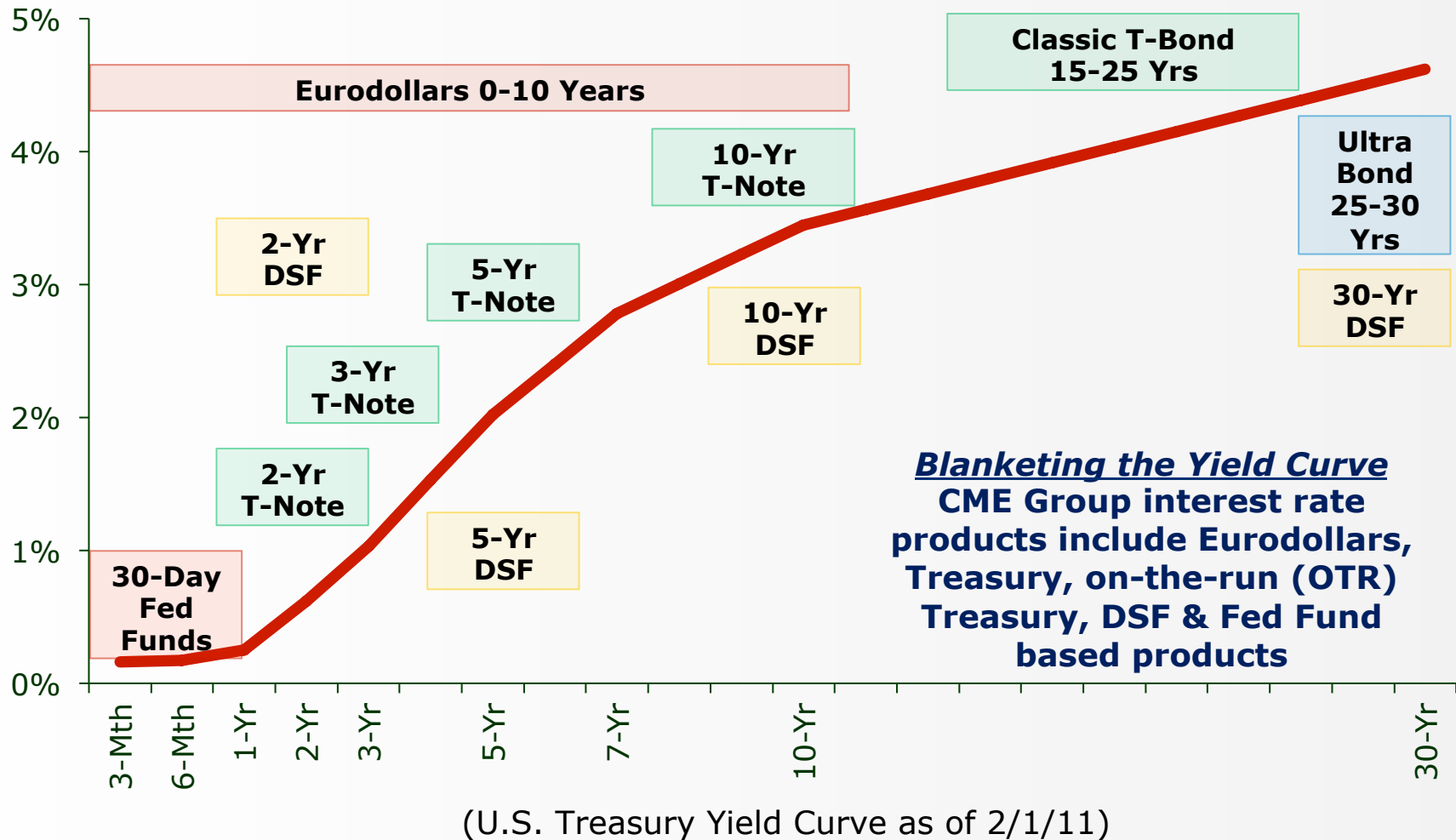
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- **Why Interest Rates?**
- **Finding the right home for you along the Yield Curve.**
- **Common Strategies & Terminology**
- **Lets Get Started.**

## CME Interest Rate Complex Blanketing the Yield Curve



# CME Group's Eurodollar Futures

# Market Development

## *Birth of Eurodollar or LIBOR market ...*

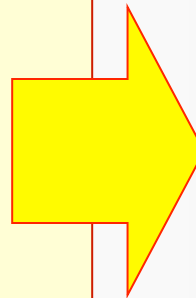
- USD denominated time deposits held in banks outside U.S.
  - **LIBOR market developed in London in 1950's and 60's because (1) Reg Q limited rates that U.S. banks could offer domestic depositors; (2) Soviets were reluctant to make deposits with U.S. banks for fear of asset seizure during cold war era**
  - **LIBOR succeeded "Prime Rate" as benchmark rate for corporate funding ... corporations borrow with "floating" rate plus credit spread**
- Most active short-term interest rate futures worldwide
  - **Launched December 1981, market growth facilitated by interplay vs. interest rate swap (IRS) markets**
  - **Most active users include ... bank asset/liability managers, interest rate swap dealers, proprietary traders, hedge funds**
  - **Over 95% of Eurodollar futures volume is now electronic**

# Market Development

## *Multiple uses and users ...*

### Users

- Commercial & investment banks
  - Swap desks, money market & repo desks, Treasury desks, mortgage desks, corporate/credit desks, asset/liability management
- Hedge funds and Commodity Trading Advisors (CTAs)
- Proprietary traders
- Asset managers
- Mortgage servicers
- Regional banks



### Uses

- Price & hedge interest rate swap (IRS) exposures
- Hedge corporate & commercial paper borrowing rates
- Manage asset/liability mismatches on balance sheet
- Adjust duration of fixed income portfolios
- Trade shape of yield curve
- Outright interest rate speculation

# Eurodollar Fundamentals

## *Eurodollars “color-coded” ...*

- Most futures trade in nearby month actively but very little in deferred months
- But Eurodollars often traded in “strips” extending out up to 10 years to match interest rate swaps (IRS) structures
- Years are “color-coded” to prevent possible confusion

Year 1 - White
Year 2 - Red
Year 3 - Green
Year 4 - Blue
Year 5 - Gold
Year 6 - Purple
Year 7 - Orange
Year 8 - Pink
Year 9 - Silver
Year 10 - Copper

# PACK VERSUS OUTRIGHT

	<b>ED1</b>	<b>ED2</b>	<b>ED3</b>	<b>ED4</b>
	<b>LEG1</b>	<b>LEG2</b>	<b>LEG3</b>	<b>LEG4</b>
TRADE 1	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
TRADE 2		<b>-4</b>		
TRADE 3	<b>-1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-1</b>	
TRADE 4		<b>1</b>		<b>-1</b>
<b>NET</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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- Opposite is the pack (long) versus 4<sup>th</sup> Outright (short). To exit this strategy you simply sell 1 ed1/ed4, sell 1 ed2/ed4 and sell 1 ed3/ed4.
- These are all very liquid spreads.

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TRADE 2				-4
TRADE 3	-1			1
TRADE 4		-1		1
TRADE 5			-1	1
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# PACK versus Outright

- Opposite you have pack (long) versus 3<sup>rd</sup> outright (short). To exit you trade the following. Sell 1 ed2/ed3/ed4 butterfly. And sell 1 ed1/ed3. all these are liquid.

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TRADE 3		-1	2	-1
TRADE 4	-1		1	
TRADE 5				
NET	0	0	0	0

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TRADE 5	<b>1</b>	<b>-1</b>		
NET	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### Different Spread strategies along the ED \$ Curve

	<b>Mar-14</b>	<b>Jun-14</b>	<b>Sep-14</b>	<b>Dec-14</b>	<b>Mar-15</b>	<b>Jun-15</b>
<b>Calendar</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>1</b>				
<b>Butterfly</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-1</b>			
<b>Condor</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-1</b>		
<b>Double Fly</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>1</b>		
<b>1Yr vs 3m</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-4</b>		<b>1</b>	
<b>1Yr vs 3m</b>	<b>-1</b>		<b>-4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	
<b>DoubleFly Sprd</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-1</b>	

## ED\$ Outright and Calendar Matrix

Eurodollar Spread Matrix

Butterfly Cancel ALL Cancel Spreads Zoom Default ights

L	9948.0	9937.0	9923.5	9905.5	9882.5
	0.5 522	1.0 3627	1.0 1040	1.5 519	1.5 485
	0.0 4126	0.5 278	0.5 850	1.0 686	1.0 619
	Sep14	Dec14	Mar15	Jun15	Sep15
	Sep14	11.0 18923	25.0 5958	43.0 1627	65.5 1215
		10.5 21222	24.5 999	42.5 147	65.0 73
	9948.0 522	Dec14	14.0 910	32.0 355	54.5 202
	9947.5 4126		13.5 37436	31.5 7463	54.0 1650
		9937.5 3627	Mar15	18.0 57	40.5 100
		9937.0 278		17.5 36455	40.0 8822
			9923.5 1040	Jun15	23.0 35656
			9923.0 850		22.5 45
				9905.5 519	Sep15
				9905.0 686	
					9883.0 485
					9882.5 619

Matrix 1

## ED\$ Outrights/Calendars/Flies and Condors

ED FLY and CONDOR

Calendar Cancel ALL Cancel Spreads Cancel Outrights

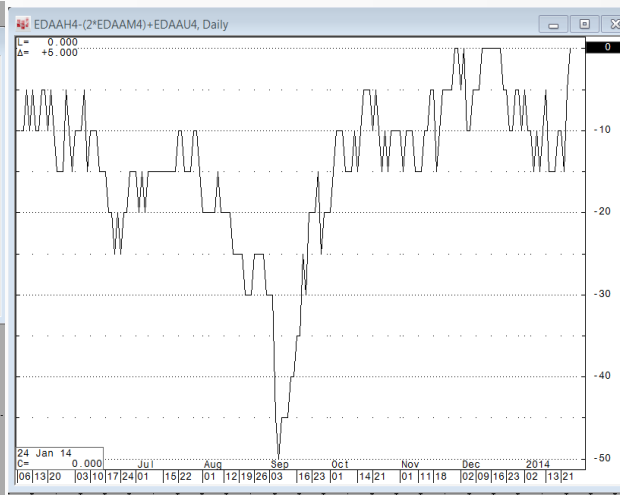
Last Prc	Net Pos	Contract	Outright		Calendar		Butterfly		Condor	
9948.0		Sep14	9948.0	3756						
			9947.5	1872	11.0	27349				
9937.0		Dec14	9937.0	770	10.5	50374	-3.0	2639		
			9936.5	4611	14.0	307	-3.5	24947	-7.0	341
9923.0		Mar15	9923.0	310	13.5	55820	-4.0	732	-7.5	55
			9922.5	4422	18.0	53	-4.5	21952	-8.5	59
9905.0		Jun15	9905.0	506	17.5	57438	-4.5	1120	-9.0	304
			9904.5	3055	22.5	1	-5.0	23241		
9882.5		Sep15	9882.5	404	22.0	58355				
			9882.0	2226						

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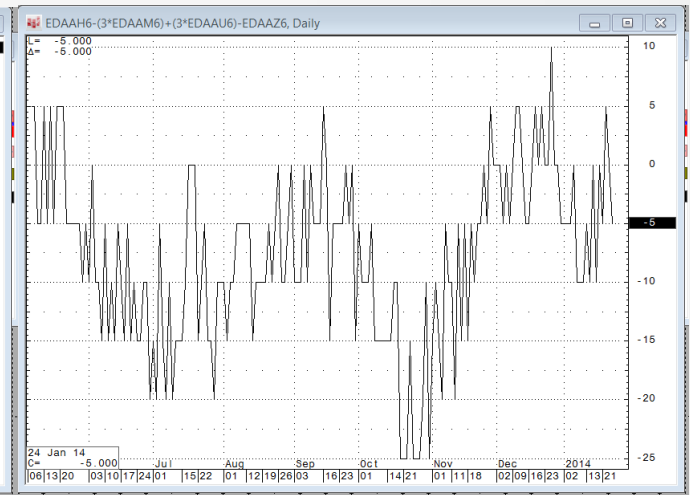
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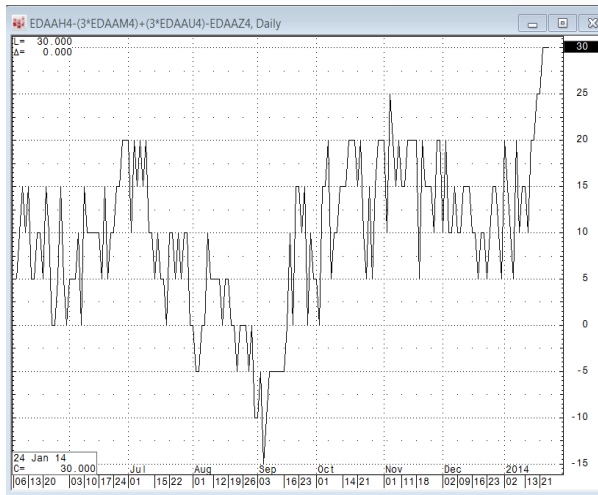
# EDH4-M4-U4 BFIy



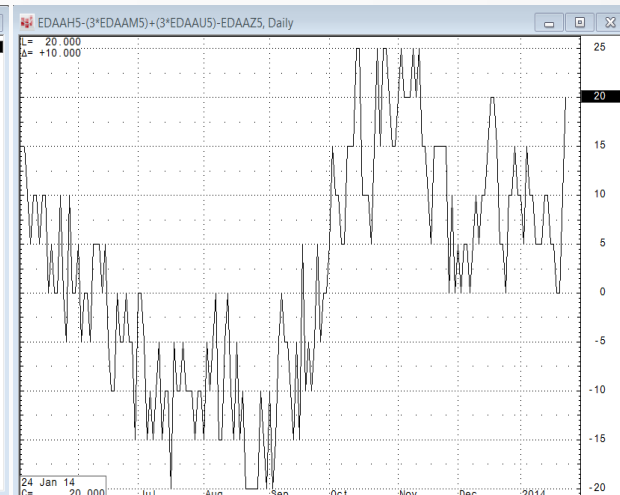
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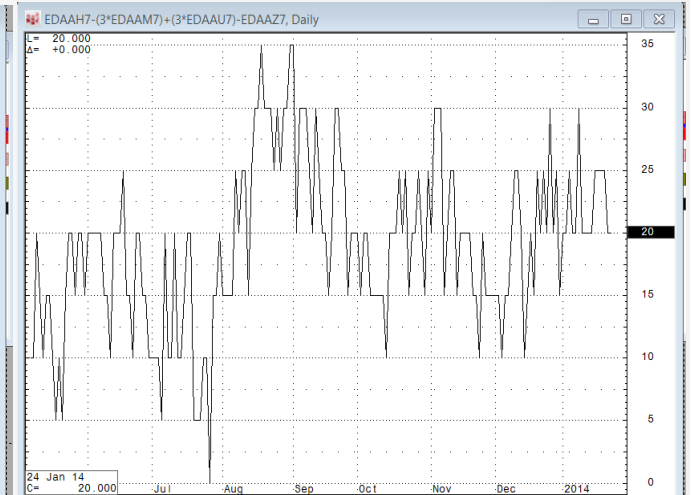
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# EDH5-M5-U5-Z5 DFIy



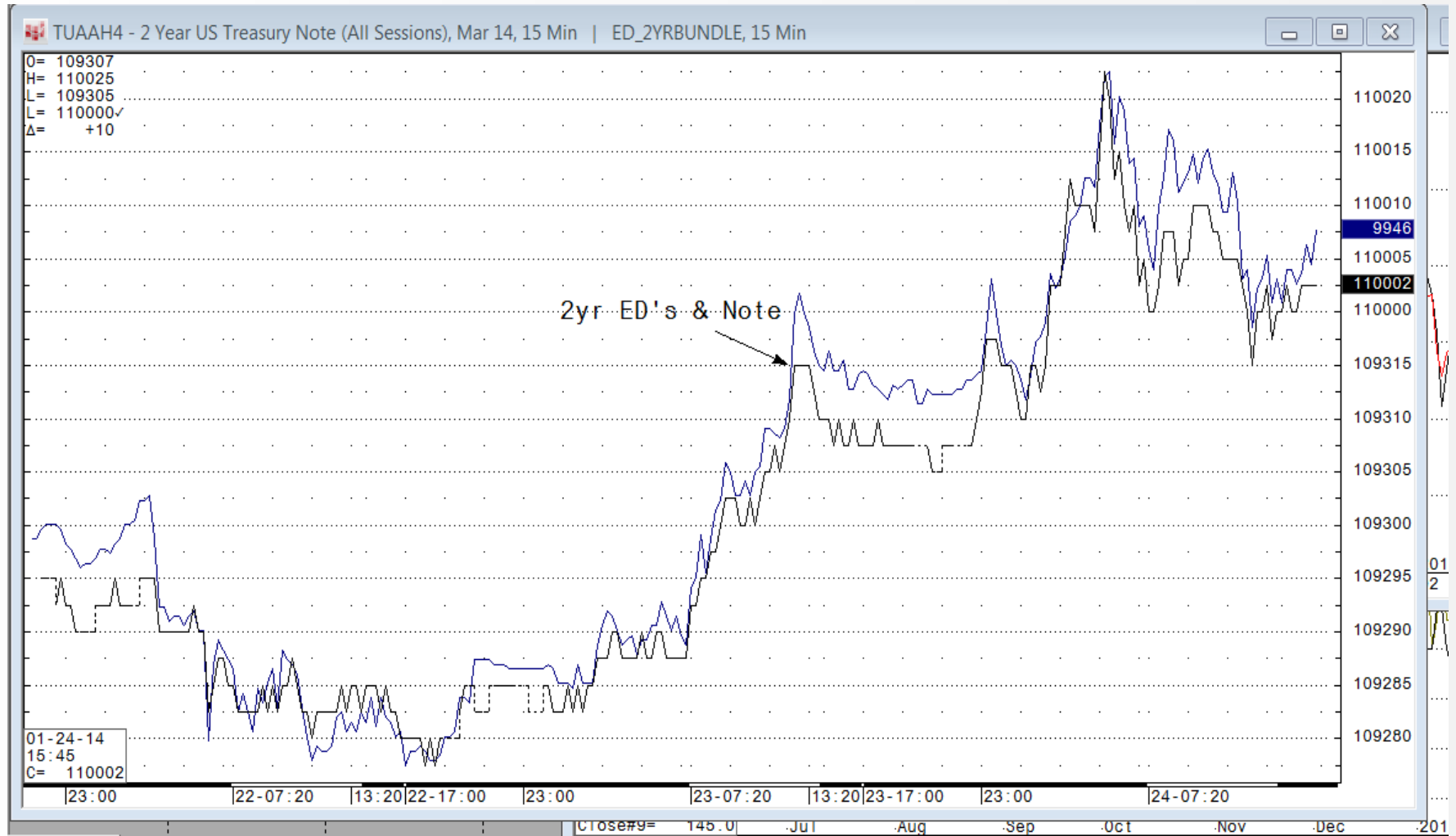
# EDH7-M7-U7-Z7 DFIy



# Relative Value ?

Potential Opportunities / Perils along the US Yield Curve

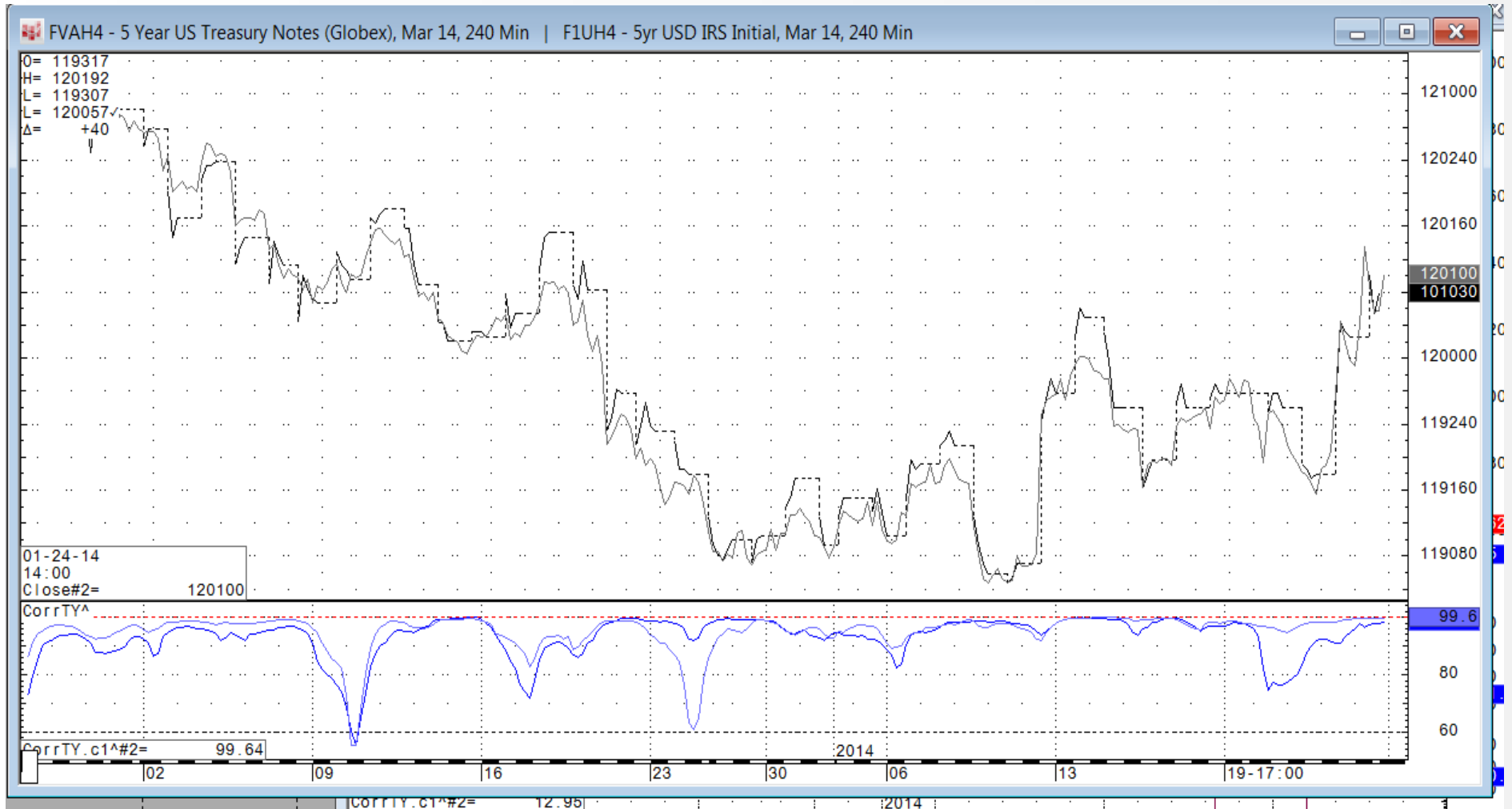
# Obvious one. 2yr Note versus 2yr Bundle



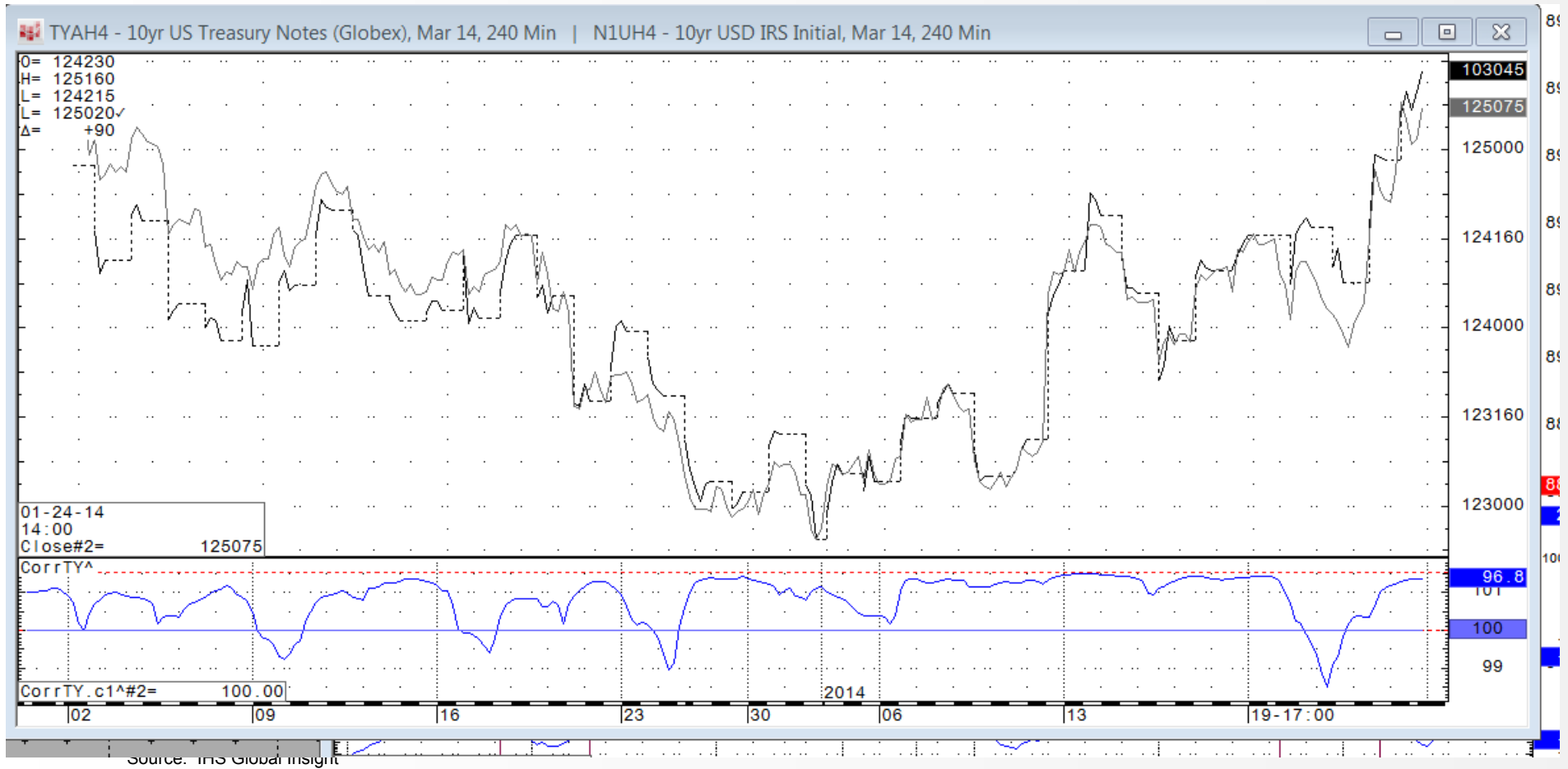
# Obvious one. UST 5yr Note Future versus 5yr Bundle



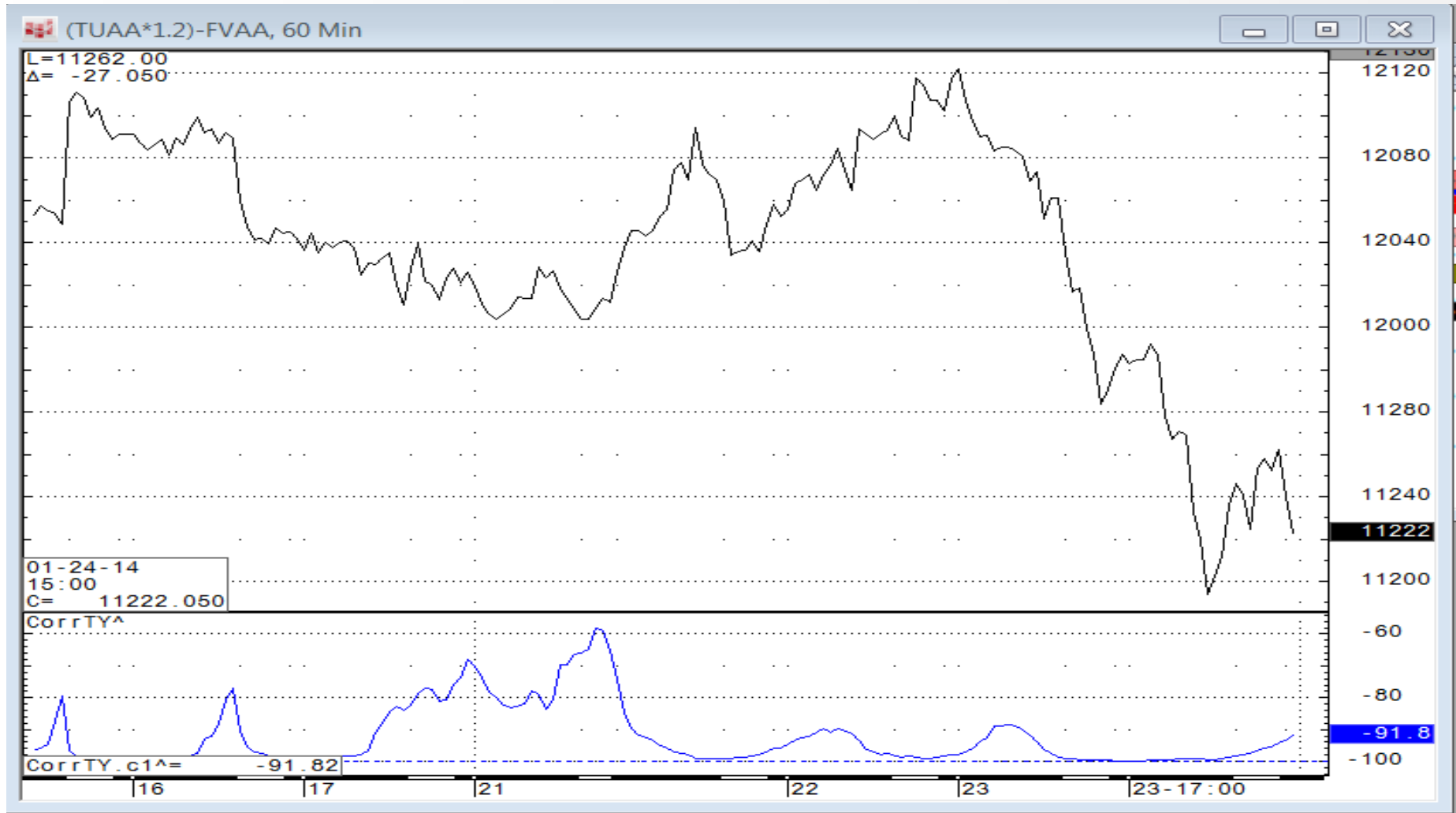
# Obvious one. 5yr UST and 5yr DSF



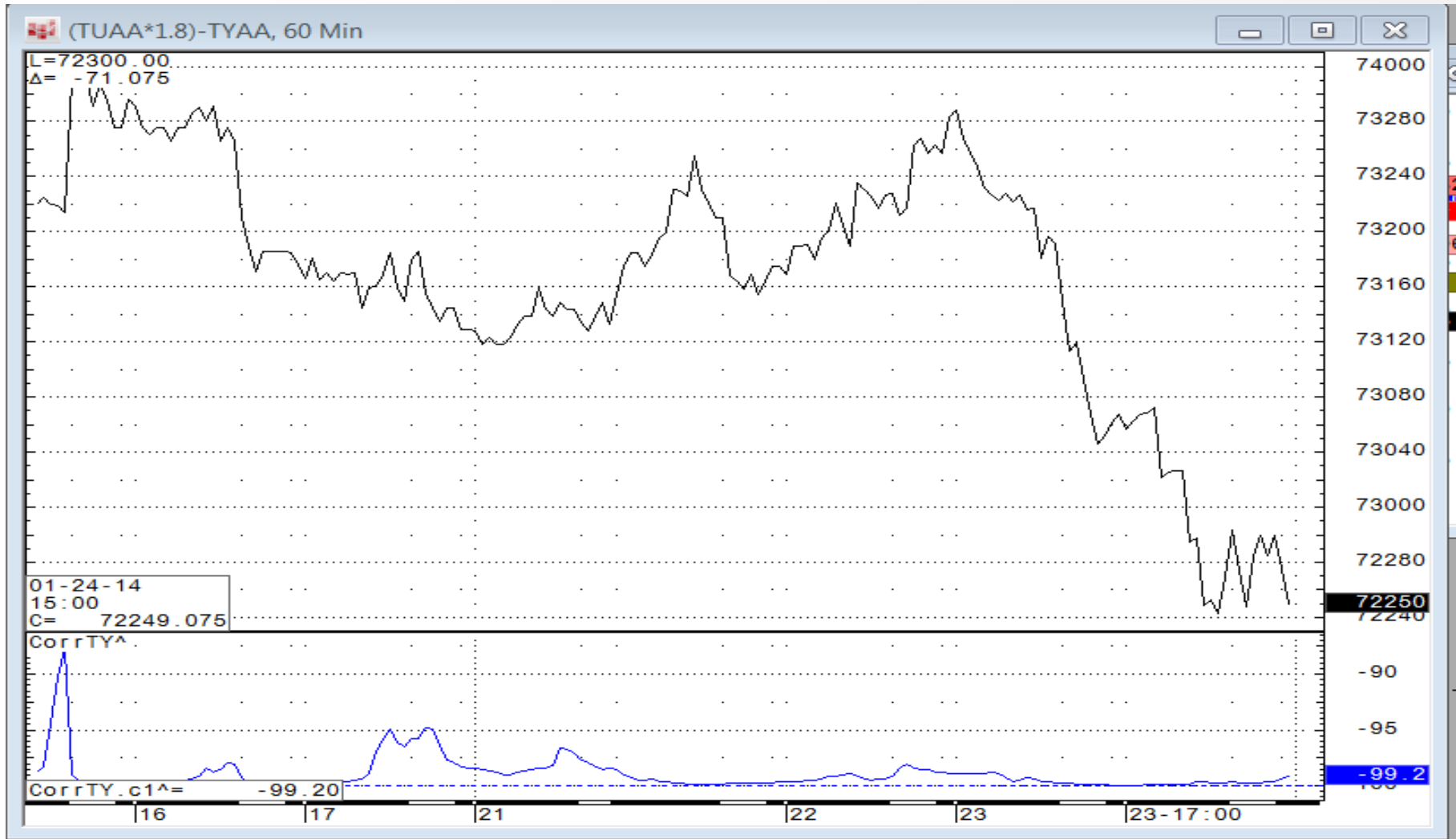
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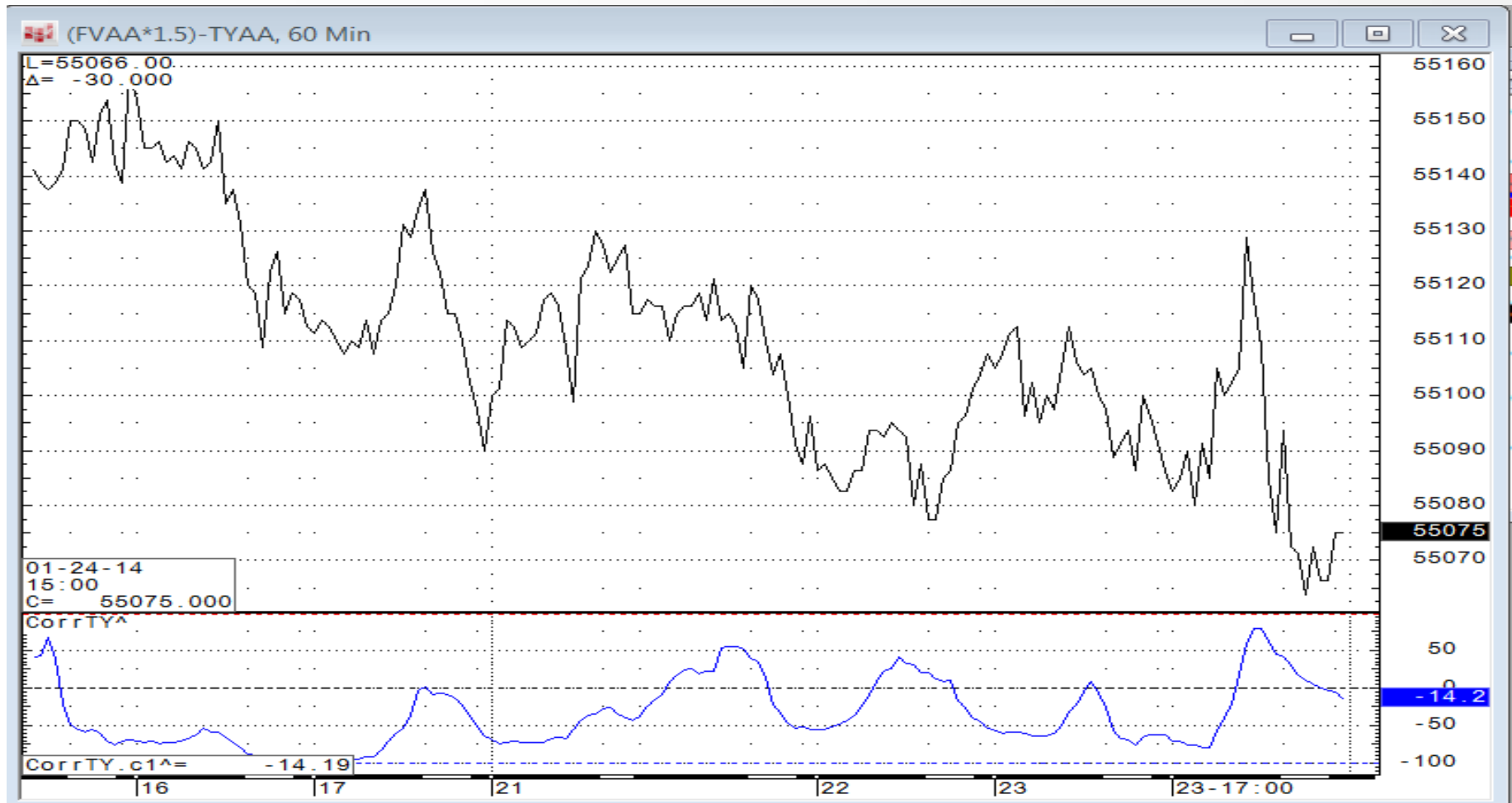
# Obvious one. UST 2yr/5yr Spread correlation to 10yr



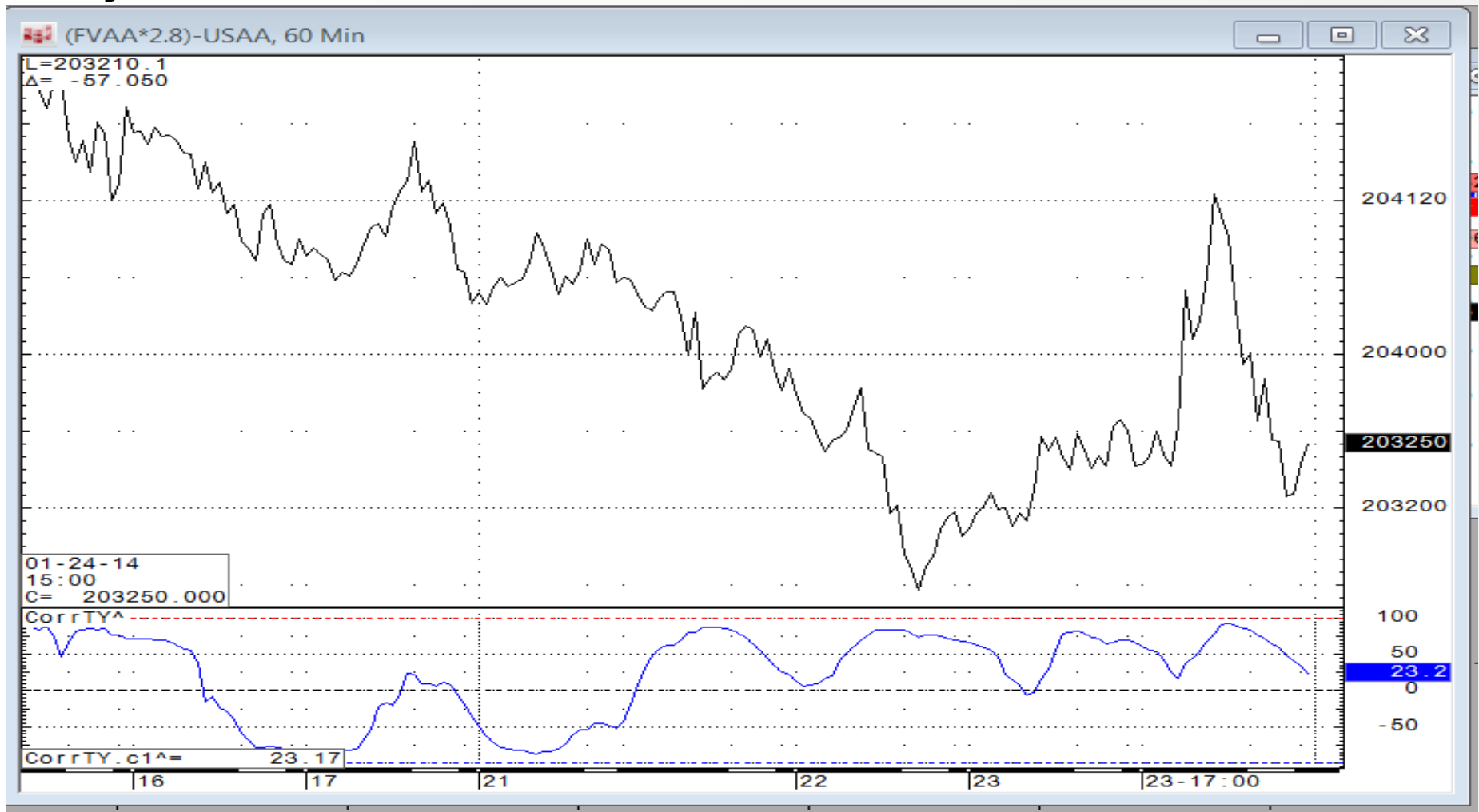
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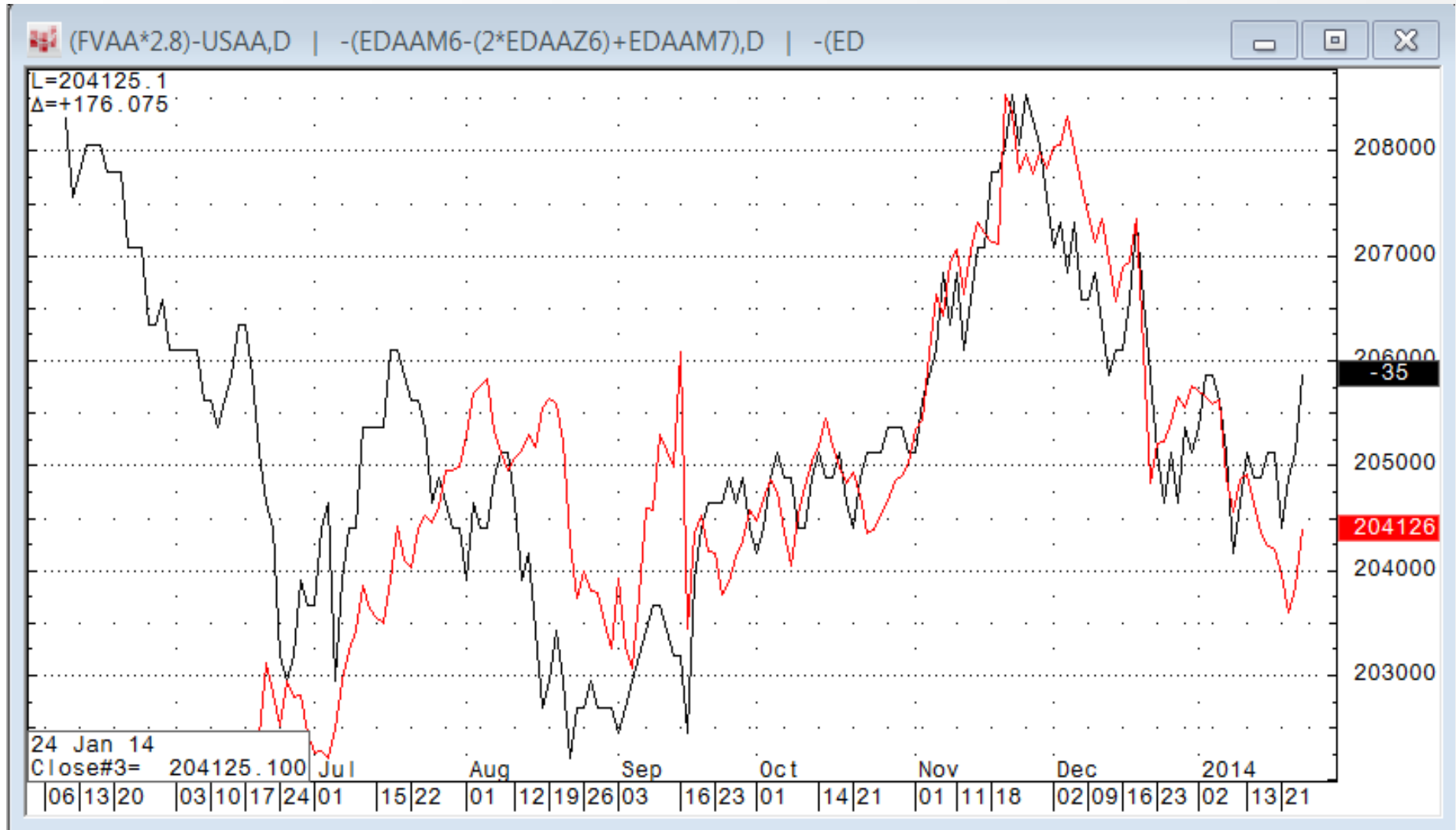
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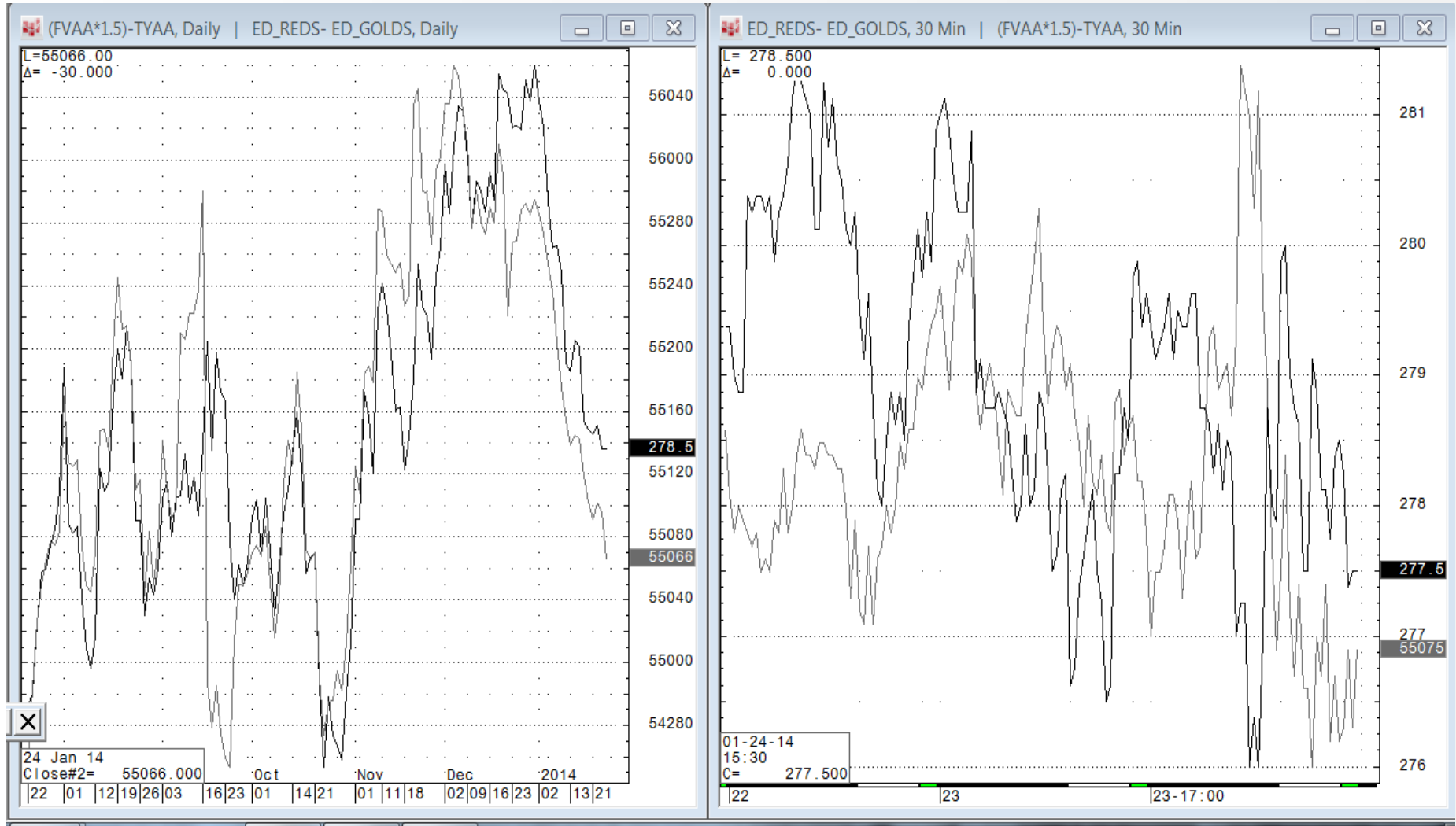
# Not so obvious one. UST 5yr/30yr Spread correlation to 10yr



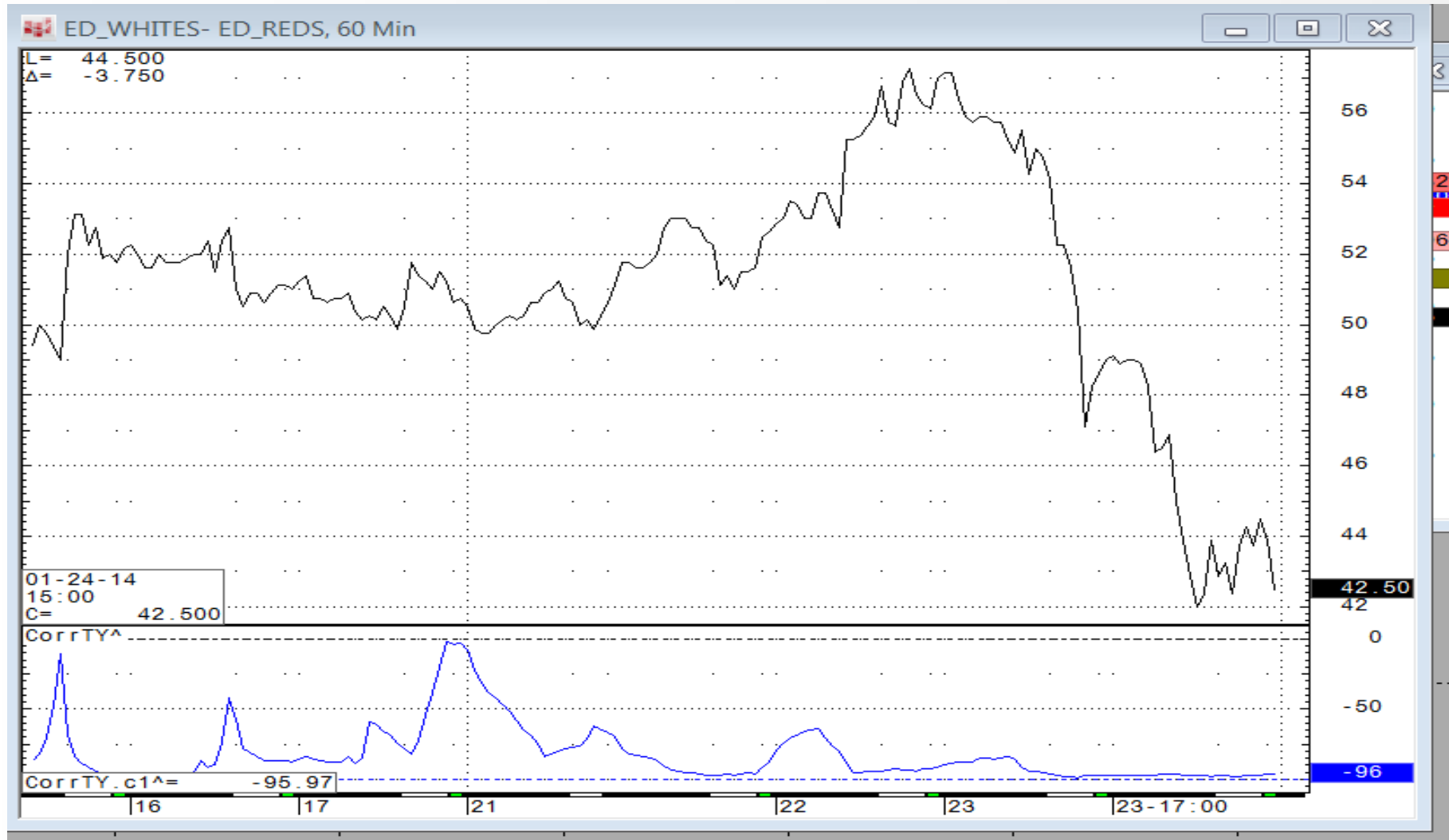
# UST 5/30s Futures Spread overlaying the EDM6/Z6/M7



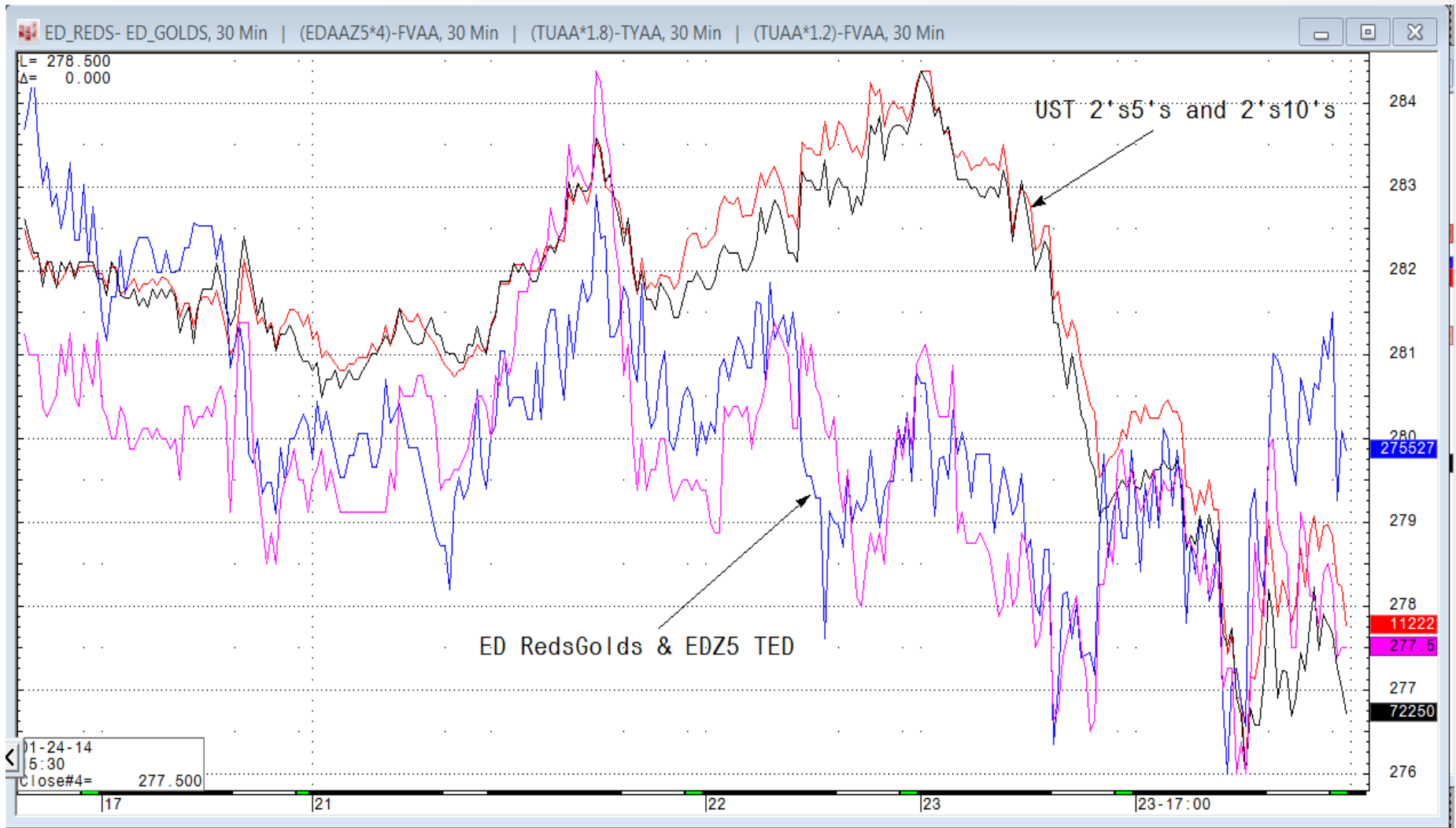
# UST 5/10s Overlaying ED Reds/Golds



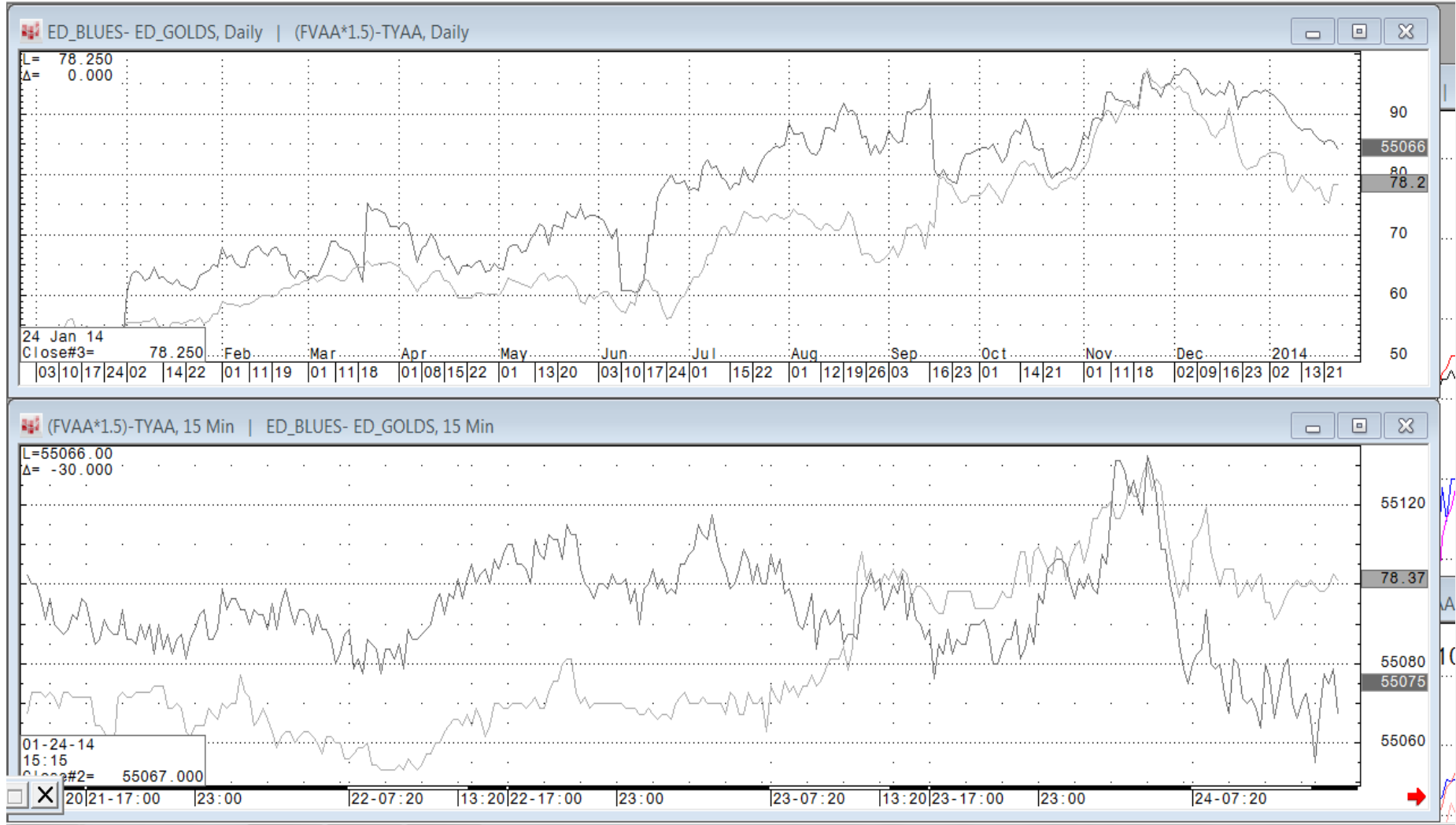
# ED Whites / reds Correlation to UST 10yr Futures



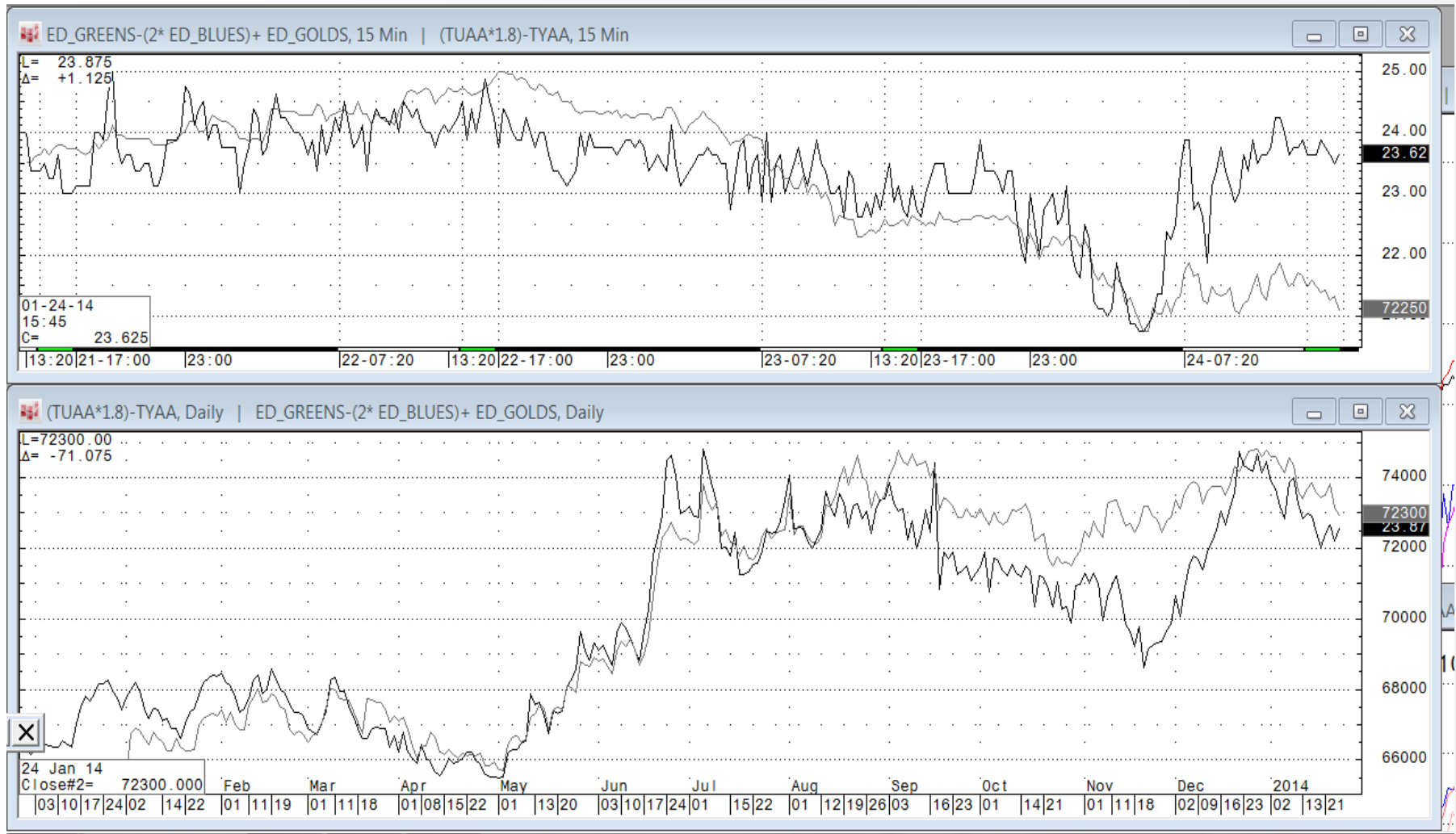
# Correlations/RVs across Teds and USTs



# UST 5s/10s Overlay ED Blues / Golds



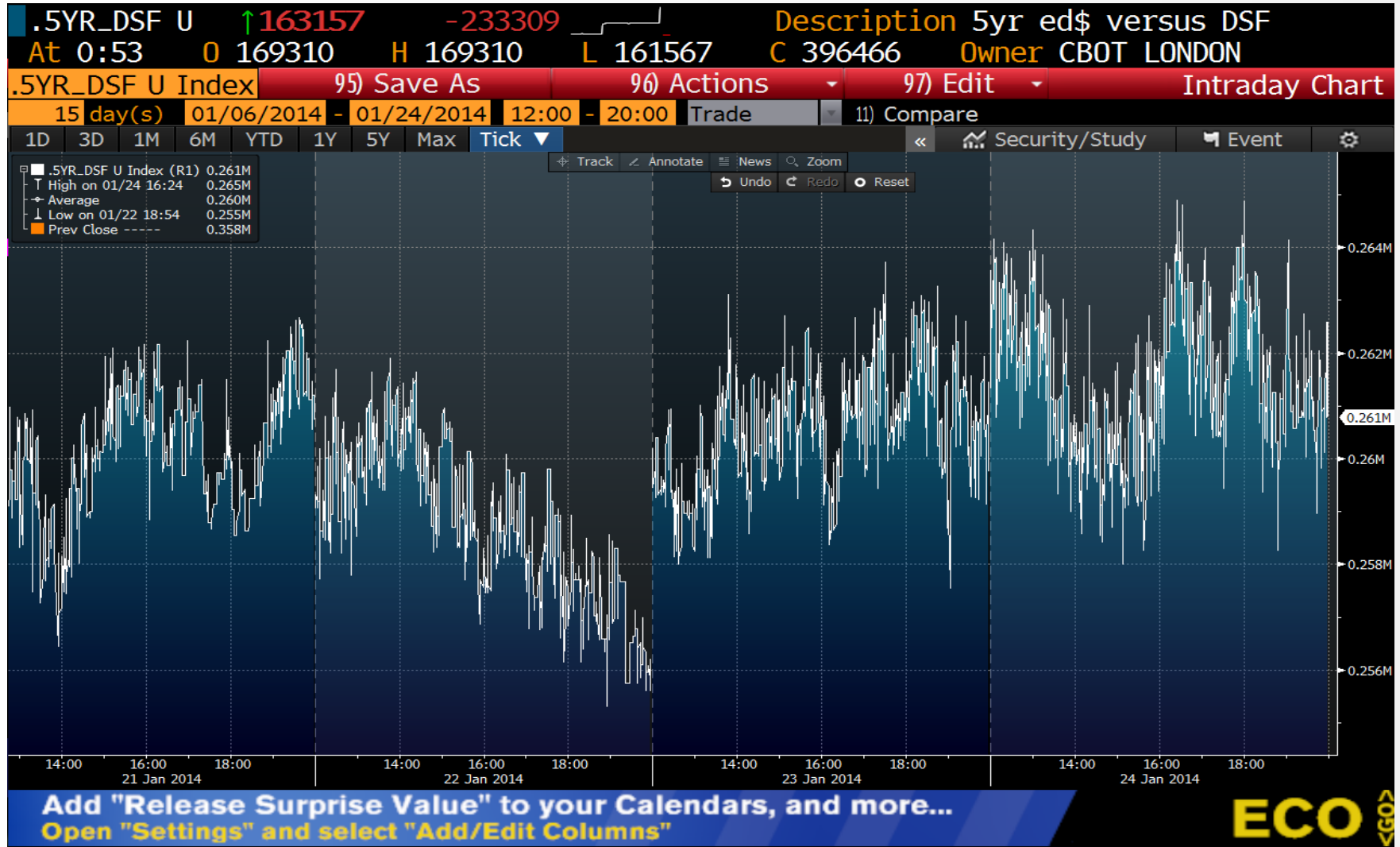
# UST 2s/10s overlaying ED Greens/Blues/Golds



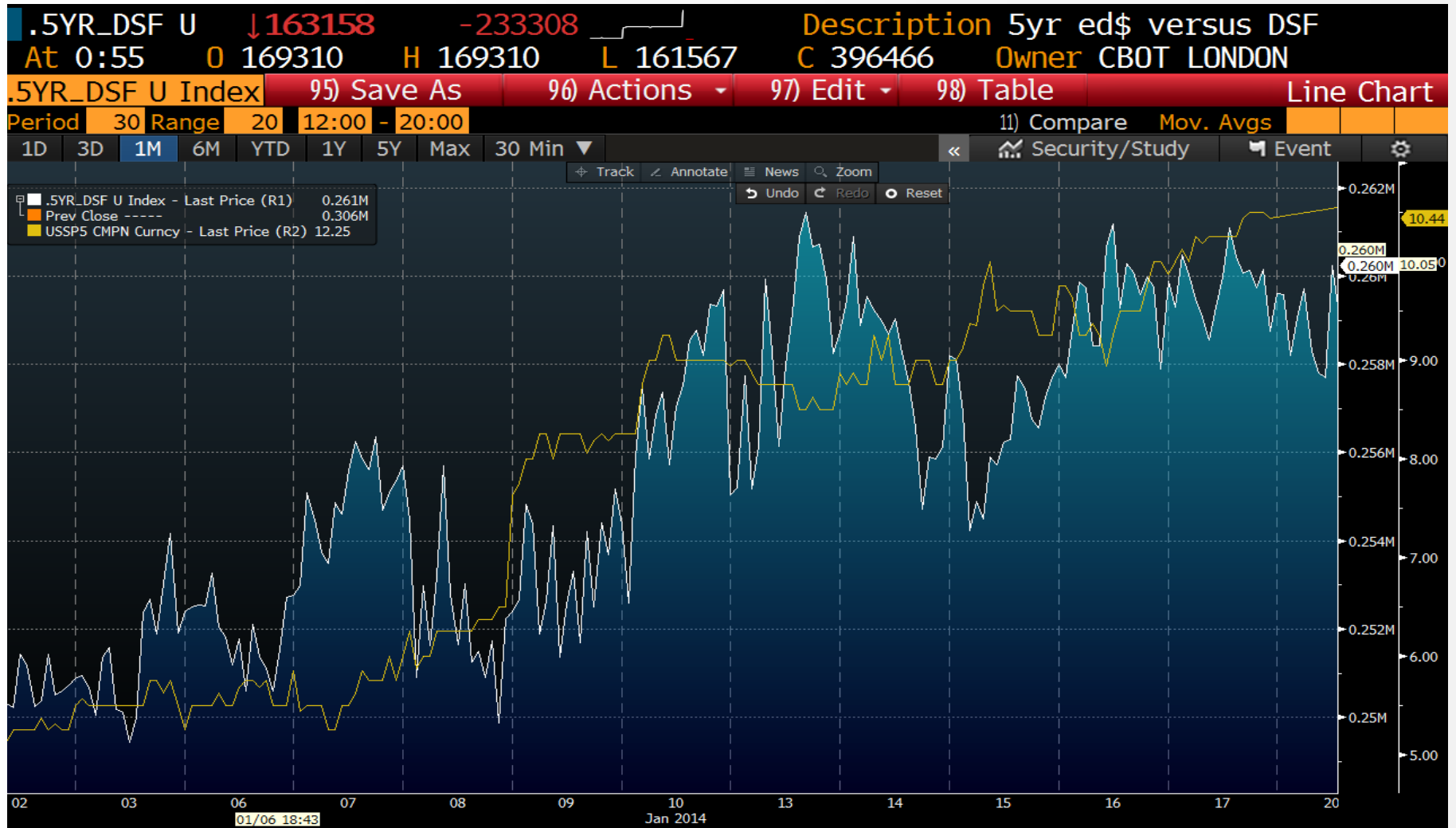
# RV. UST 5's & 10's Overlay the 2yr & 5yr US Credit Sprd



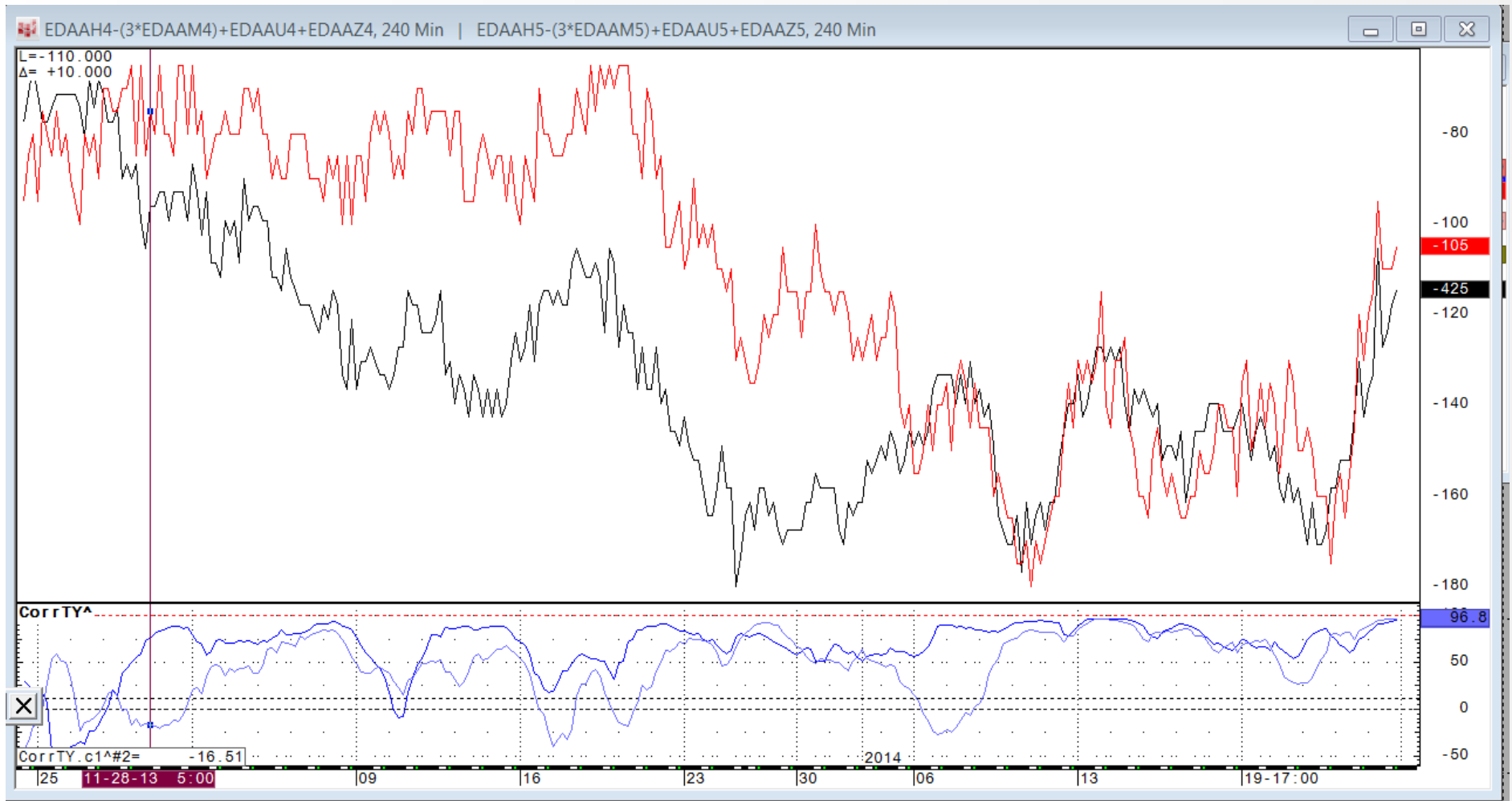
# RV. 5yr DSF – Equal strip of ED Futures



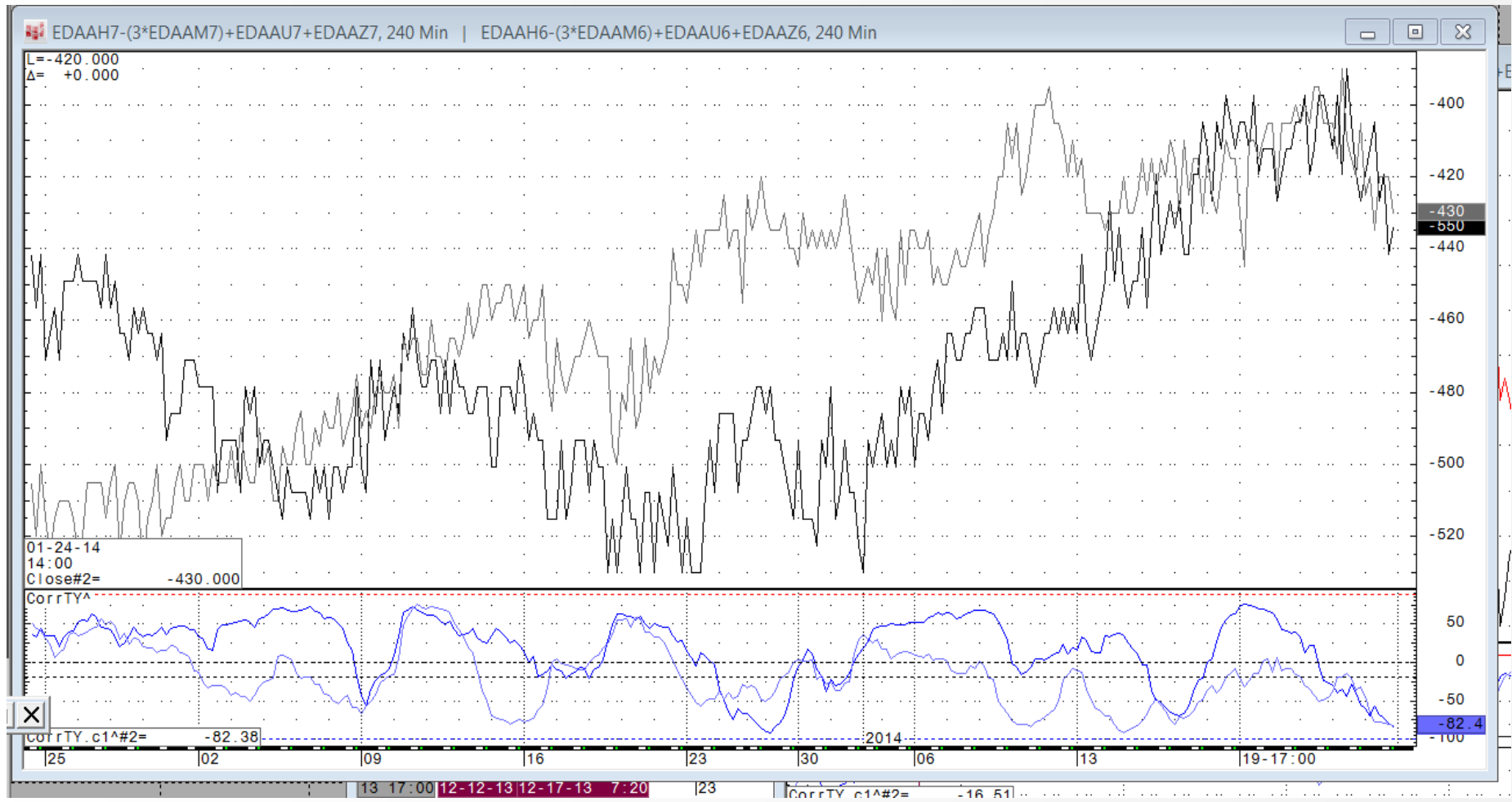
# RV. 5yr DSF – ED Strip overlaying 5 yr US Credit Sprd



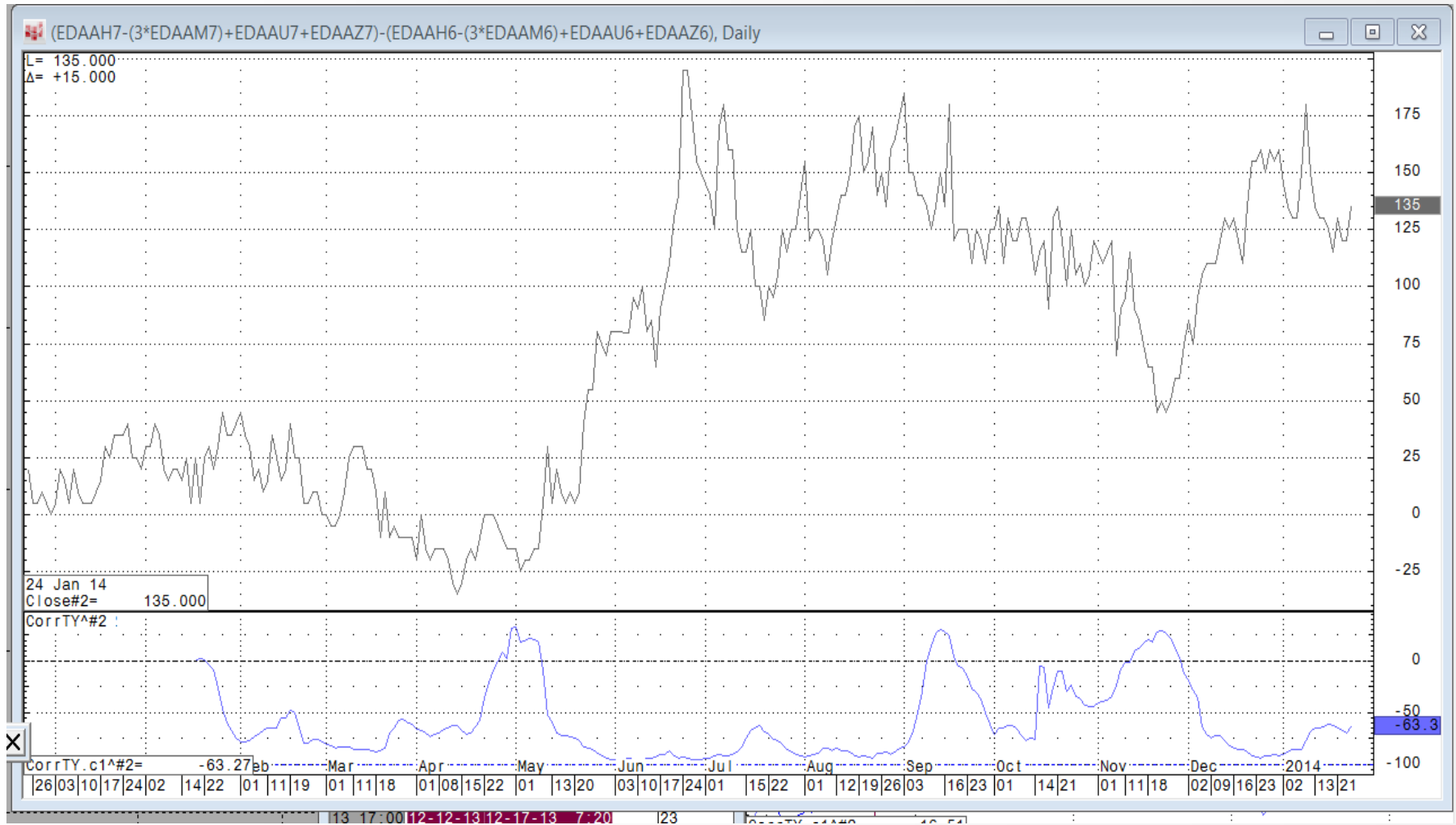
# RV. EDH4 1\*4\*1\*1 Fly overlaying EDH5 1\*4\*1\*1



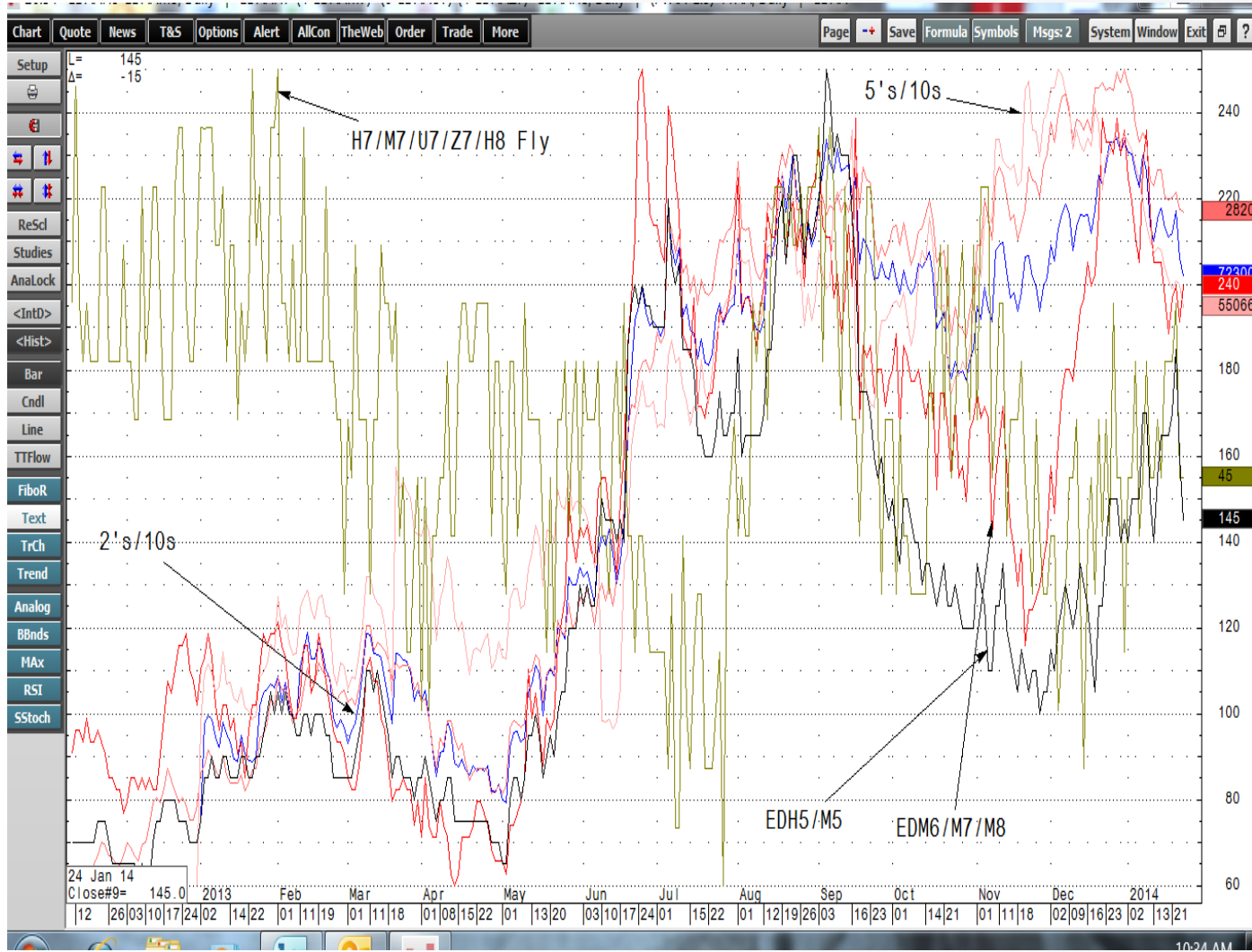
# RV. EDH6 1\*4\*1\*1 Fly overlaying EDH7 1\*4\*1\*1



# RV. EDH6 1\*4\*1\*1 Fly - EDH7 1\*4\*1\*1 as Actual spread



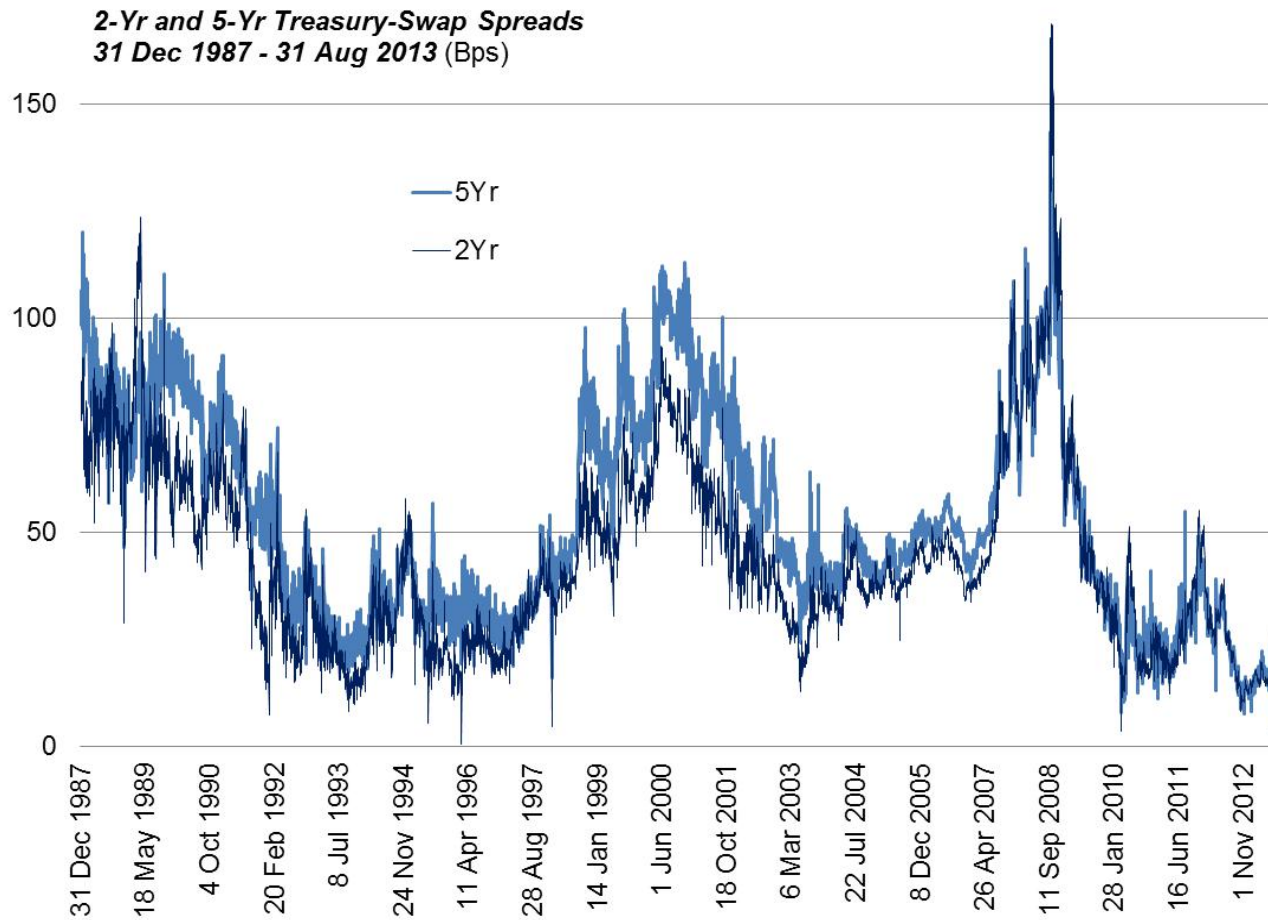
# Multi Product / Spread 2013 RV's



# What Makes TEDs Move

Volatility in the Large  
Volatility in the Small

# Volatility in the Large



Source: IHS Global Insight

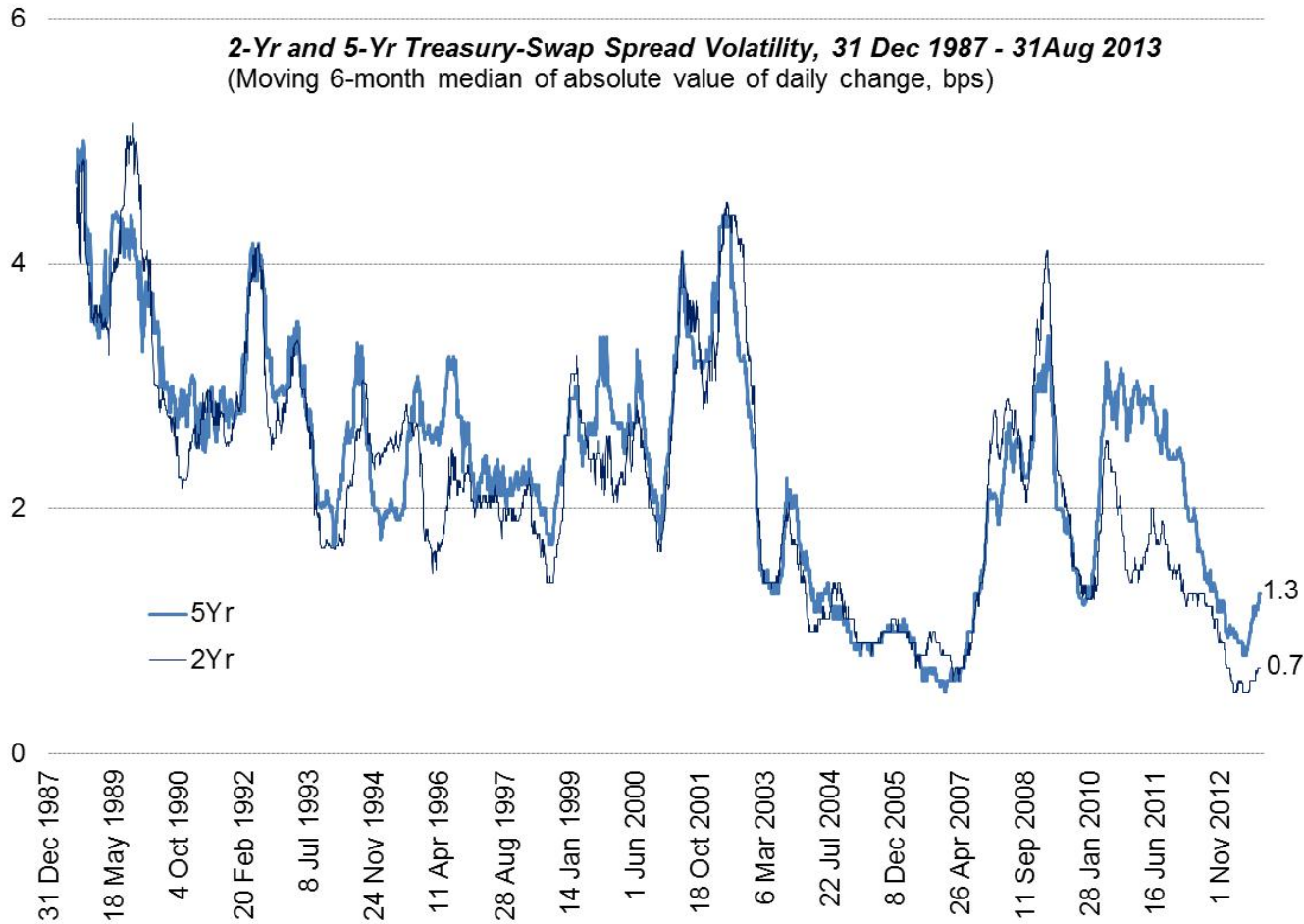
At low frequencies, pro-cyclical measure of commercial bank credit-spread exposure.

Leading indicator of real economic cyclicality.

TED widens in late stages of business cycle expansions, and narrows in business cycle downturns.

Where business cycle downturn is preceded by financial upheaval, TED's cyclical peak tends to coincide with the upheaval (eg., US equity market crash of 1987, US equity market "tech wreck" of 2000, US banking crisis of 2008).

# Volatility in the Large



Source: IHS Global Insight, CME Group calculations

As Libor-reference interest rate swap market has matured, TED volatility has trended lower.

In terms of median of absolute daily changes in TED spread:

1988-2000 –  
 2.7 bps for 5-yr  
 2.5 bps for 2-yr

2001-present –  
 1.7 bps for 5-yr  
 1.4 bps for 2-yr

# Preliminaries: GE Leg -- Analytical or Empirical?

## Analytical TEDs

Popular in the 1990s, especially among strategic users.

- \* Use term structure of GE futures rates to construct term structure of Libor-basis discount factors.
- \* Use Libor-basis discount factors to value Treasury security cash flows as if it were a Eurobond.
- \* For each GE futures contract, perturb that segment of term structure of Libor-basis discount factors to find PV01.
- \* Result: GE combination that mimics synthetic Eurobond with cash flows identical to Treasury security.

**Pro:** Synthetic Eurobond structure can be expressed in terms of notional yield comparable to Treasury yield.

**Con:** GE combination is rigid. Requires great care and effort to enter and exit.

## Empirical TEDs

Pioneered by government securities dealers and interest rate swap dealers for tactical use.

TED = Forward 3-month Libor associated with an arbitrarily chosen GE contract of combination of GE contracts (stack, pack, bundle)  
minus  
Forward-starting Treasury note yield.

**Pro:** Agnostic, tractable, easy to trade.

**Con:** Lacks yield that is directly comparable to Treasury yield.

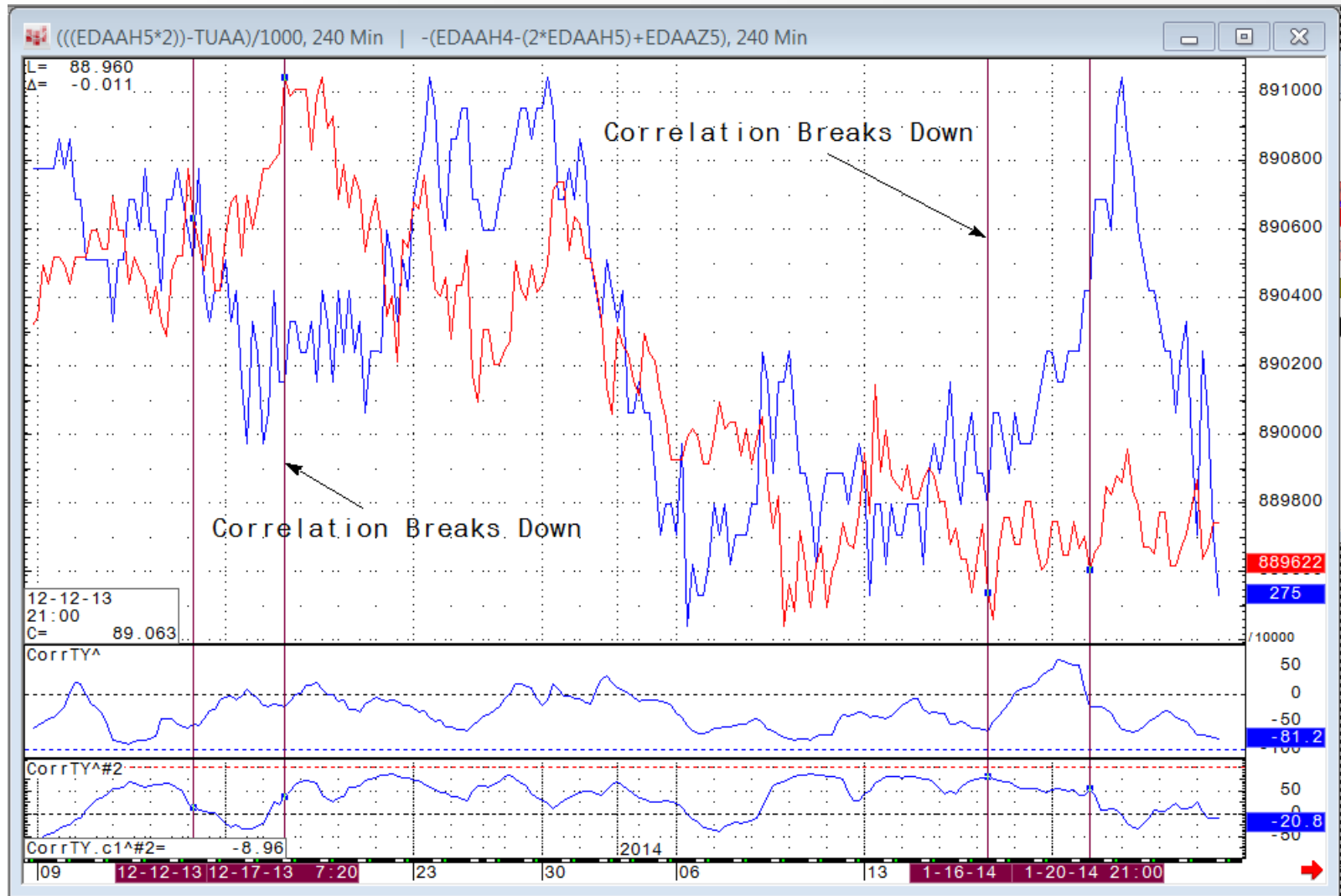
# Preliminaries: GE Leg -- Analytical or Empirical?

Example: On 23 Aug 2013, which GE, and how many, to spread v 1,000 ZTU3?

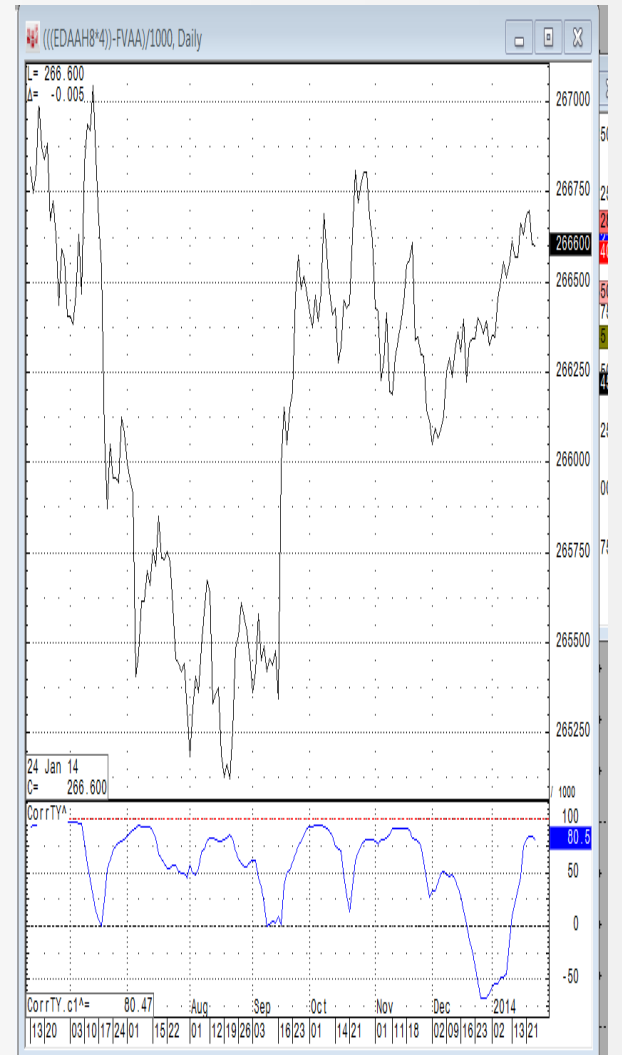
Delivery Month		Analytical Synthetic Eurobond	Semi-Analytical "Lemon" TED	Empirical Stack	Empirical Pack	Empirical Bundle
U13	} Whites	184				189
Z13		219				189
H14		218				189
M14		217	838			189
U14	} Reds	216	676	1,513	378	189
Z14		215			378	189
H15		213			378	189
M15		31			378	189
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,513</b>	<b>1,513</b>	<b>1,513</b>	<b>1,512</b>	<b>1,512</b>

Source: Our thanks to Bill Campbell for suggesting inclusion of the "Lemon" TED.

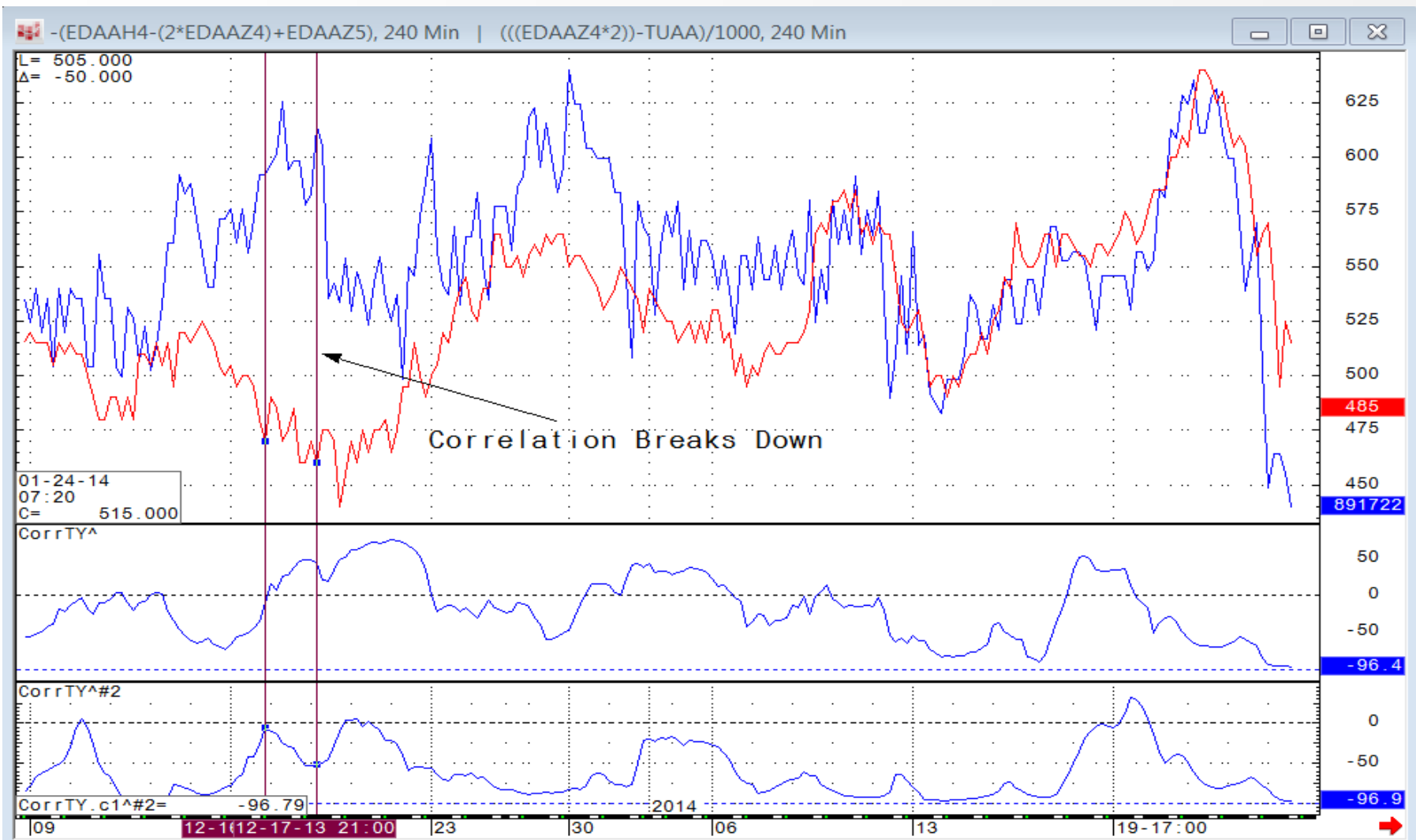
# Why Does the EDH5-TU correlate to the H4/H5/Z5 ?



# US 'Dirty' TEDs. EDH6, EDH7 and EDH8 Versus the UST 5yr Future

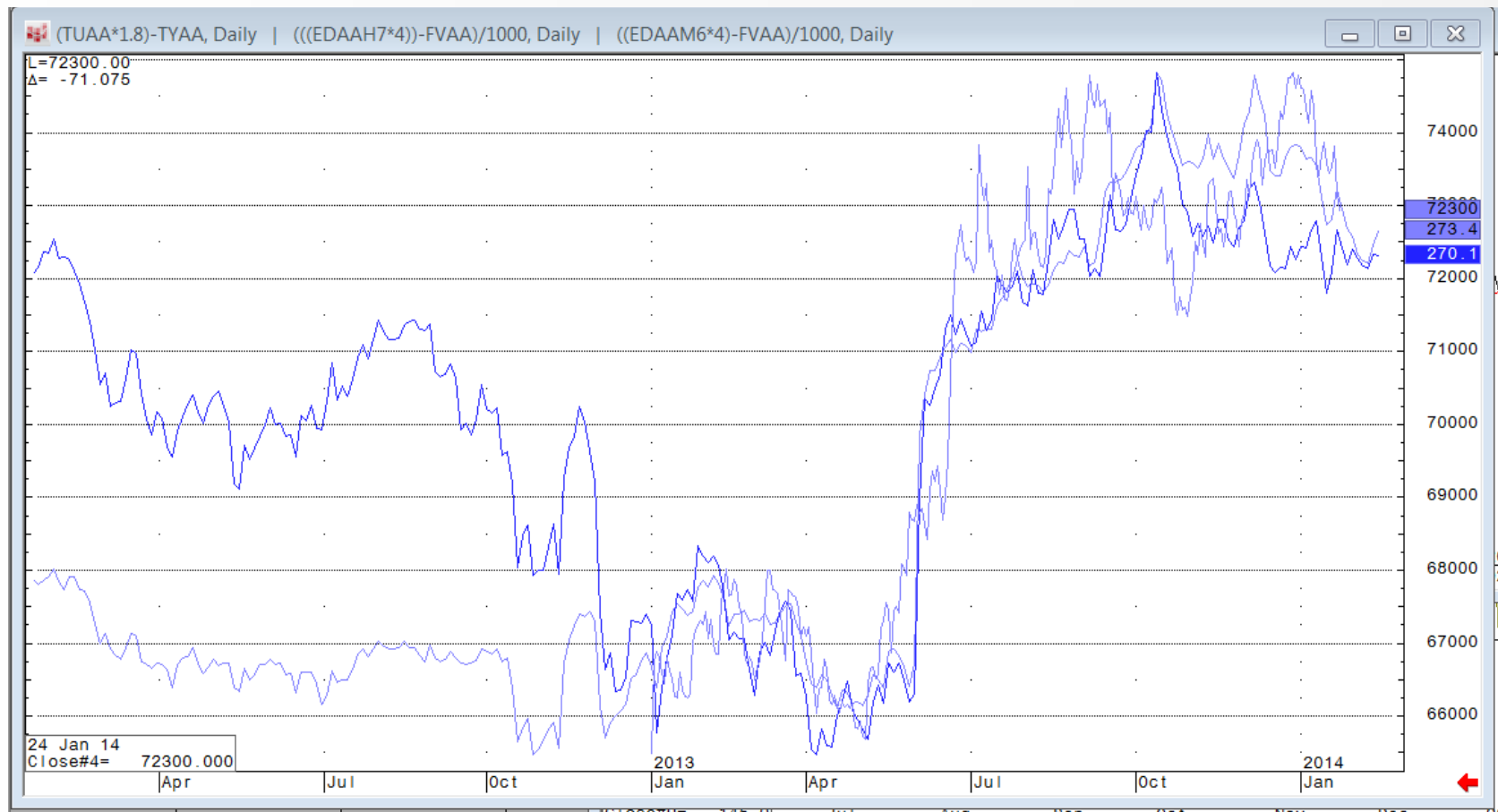


# US 'Dirty' TEDs. 2yr UST Future – EDZ4



## How the Curve plays a crucial part if you choose a Dirty TED ?

Each Spread shows similar characteristics yet have subtle well defined Risk profiles



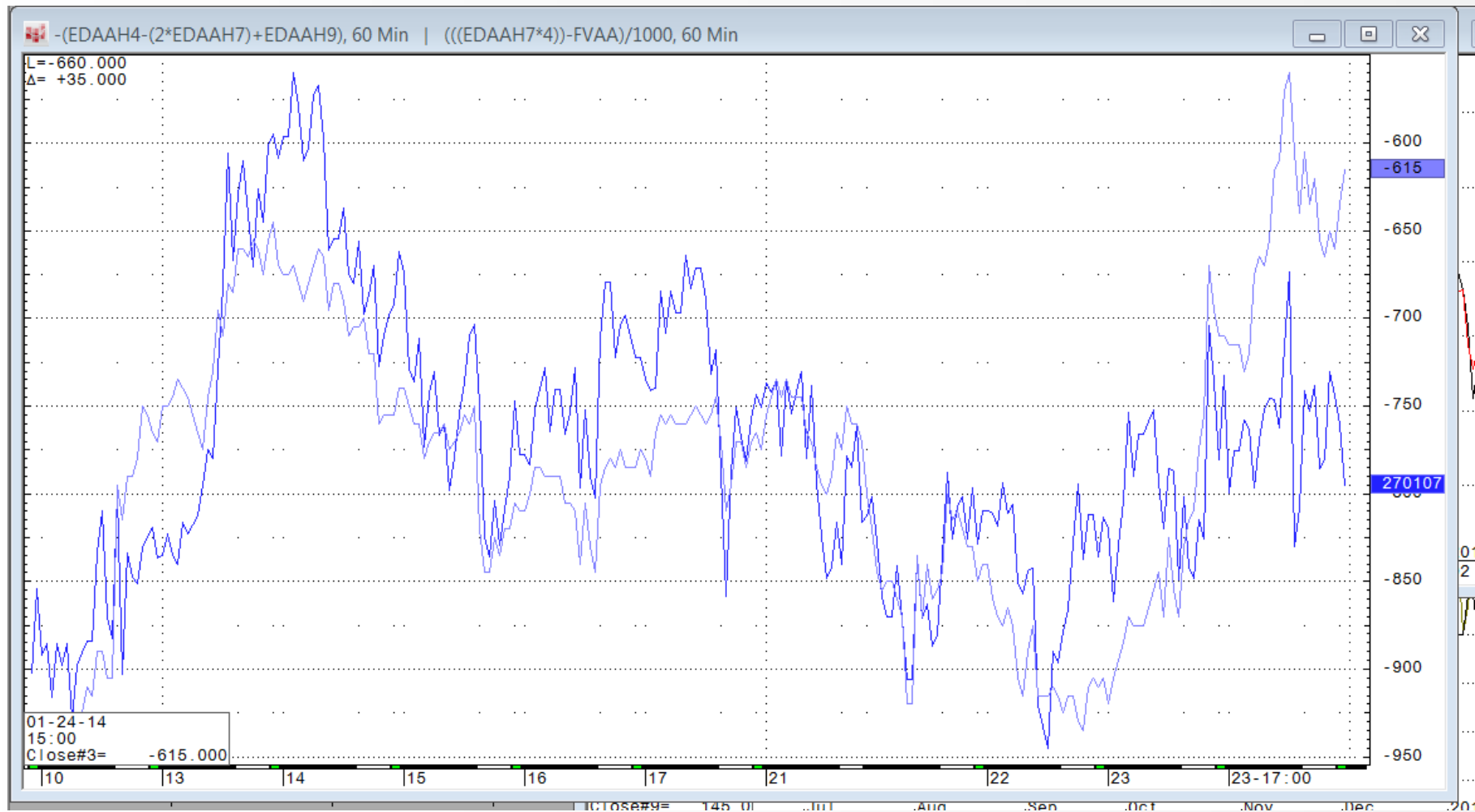
# What is a Dirty Spread ?

## Advantages and Disadvantages of the Dirty Spread

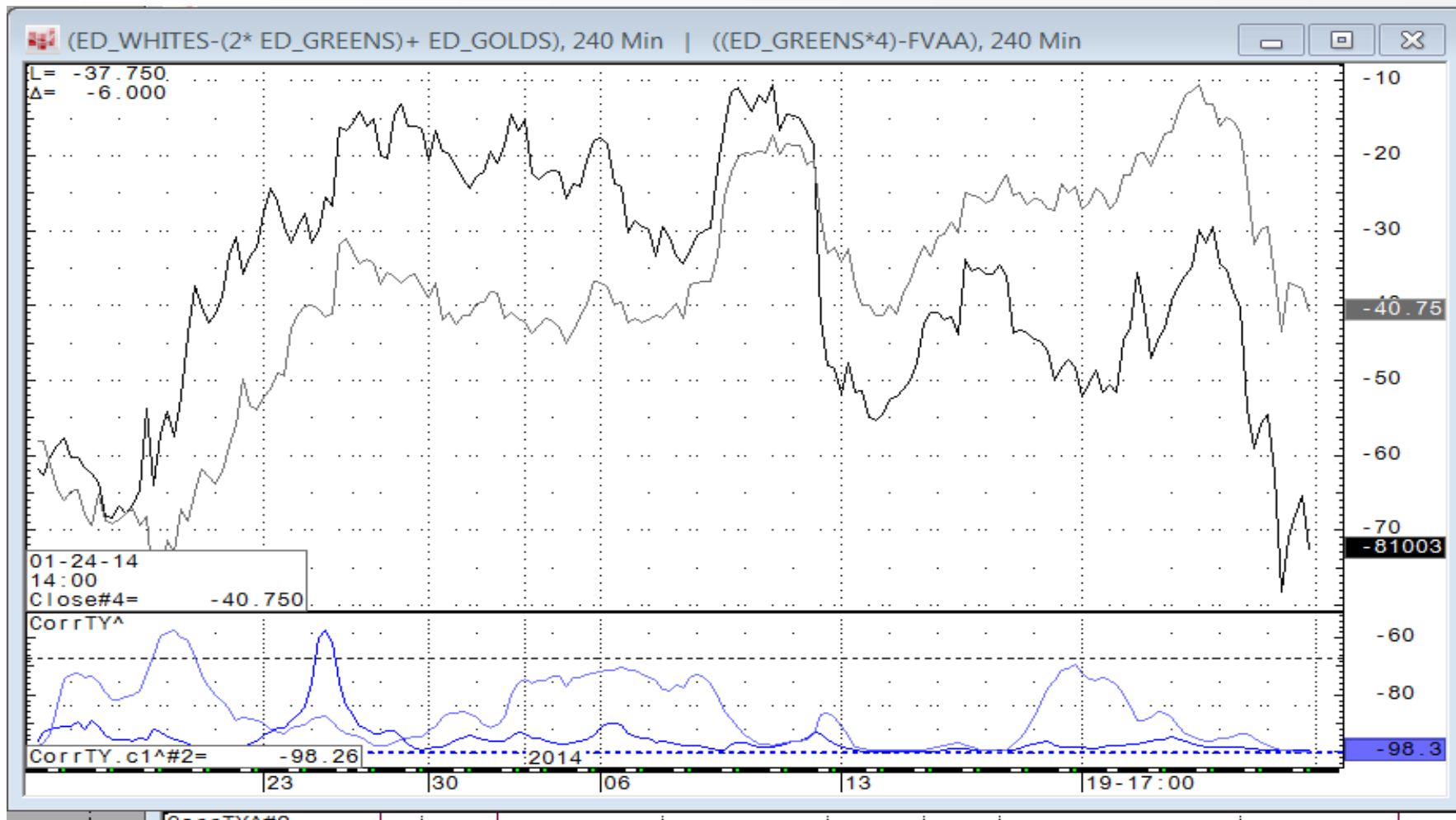
	Change on Day	Term Ted	Curve Ted	Synthetic		
Sep-13	0.50	10		-10	Synthetic 5yr UST 21 ED\$ Contracts	
Dec-13	1.00	10		-10		
Mar-14	1.50	10		-10		
Jun-14	1.50	10		-10		
Sep-14	2.00	10		-10		
Dec-14	2.00	10		-10		
Mar-15	2.50	10		-10		
Jun-15	3.50	10	210	200		
Sep-15	4.00	10		-10		
Dec-15	4.50	10		-10		
Mar-16	5.50	10		-10		
Jun-16	6.50	10		-10		
Sep-16	6.50	10		-10		
Dec-16	6.50	10		-10		
Mar-17	8.50	10		-10		
Jun-17	9.00	10		-10		
Sep-17	9.50	10		-10		
	<b>Term Ted</b>	<b>5yr UST</b>	<b>ED\$</b>			
		-126	long 210	10 lots in each month		<b>Less Basis Risk</b>
	<b>Curve Ted</b>	<b>5yr UST</b>	<b>ED\$</b>			
		-126	long 210	210 lots in one month		<b>Theo Fly Sep13/Jun15/Sep17</b>

## Why a 'Dirty' TED Spread ?

### EDH4/EDH7/EDH9 overlaying EDH7/UST 5 yr Future



# US 'Dirty' TED. ED Green Pack – UST 5yr Future overlaying ED White Pack/Green Pack/Gold Pack



**Be Prepared Plan your strategy, Markets can provide rich opportunity to those who plan. And Remember the Markets can remain Irrational a lot longer than we can remain solvent.**

spread	Monetary Policy bias Hiking	Direction following Strong/Bearish outright data.	Generic	Current
GE1/GE4 (or any part of)		BUY	GE1 GE2 GE3	EDU8 EDZ8 EDH9
GE4/GE7 (or any part of)		SELL	GE4 GE5 GE6	EDM9 EDU9 EDZ9
GE1/GE2/GE3/GE4 (condor +1/-1/-1+1)		BUY	GE7 GE8 GE9	EDH10 EDM10 EDU10
GE1/GE2/GE3 (fly ie +1/-2/+1)		BUY	GE10 GE11 GE12	EDZ10 EDH11 EDM11
GE2/GE3/GE4		BUY		
GE3/GE4/GE5		BUY		
GE4/GE5/GE6	Will roll up curve.	SELL ON RALLIES, GOOD RANGE		
GE5/GE6/GE7		SELL ON RALLIES, GOOD RANGE		
GE6/GE7/GE8		SELL ON RALLIES		
GE7/GE8/GE9		SELL ON RALLIES		
GE8/GE9/GE10		SELL ON RALLIES		
GE1/GE5/GE9 GE5/GE9/GE13		BUY SELL ON RALLIES		
2'S/5'S		BUY		
2'S/10'S	If 5/10's turn bullish buy aggressively	RANGE BOUND		
5'S/10'S		SELL ON RALLIES, RANGE BOUND		
5'S/30'S		SELL ON RALLIES, RANGE BOUND		
10'S/30'S		SELL ON RALLIES, RANGE BOUND		

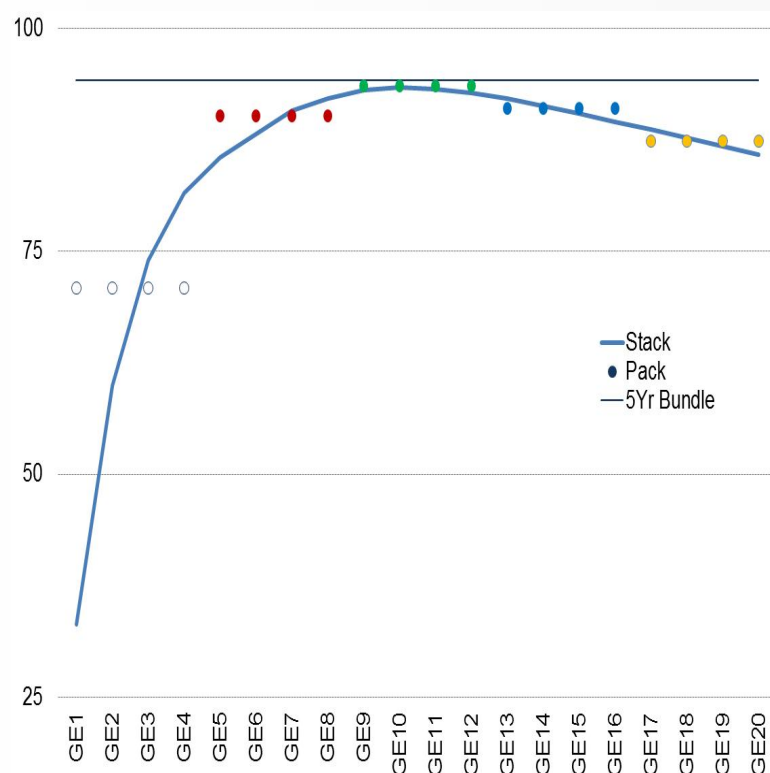
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# Empirical TEDs: Correlation Surface for ZF

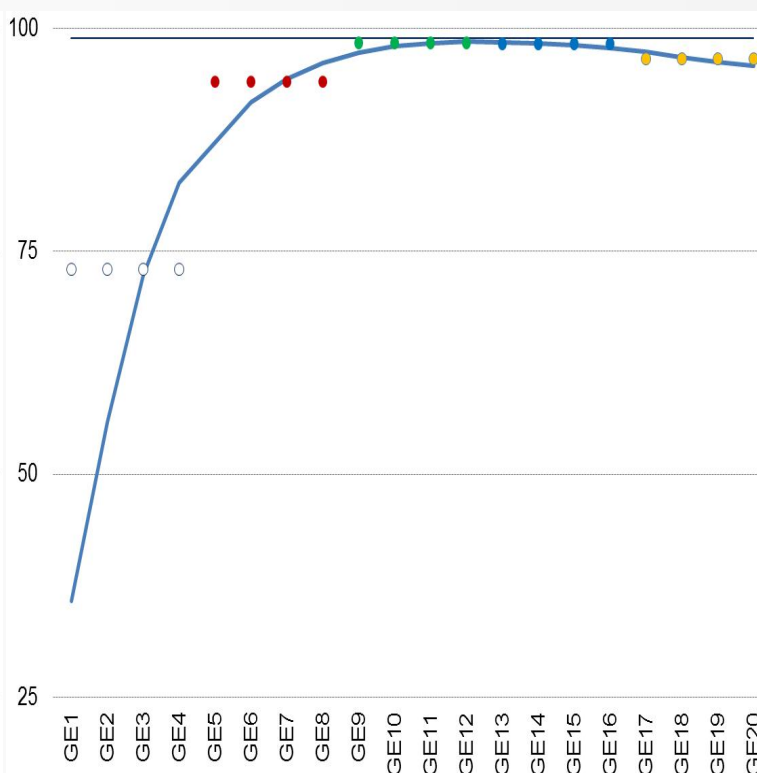
Establish how various GE contracts or contract structures correlate with Treasury exposure. Then pick spots on the correlation surface that suit your purposes.

## Correlations of daily price changes – Front ZF v GE

In the long run: 28 Aug 2003-2013



...and lately: 30 May – 28 Aug 2013

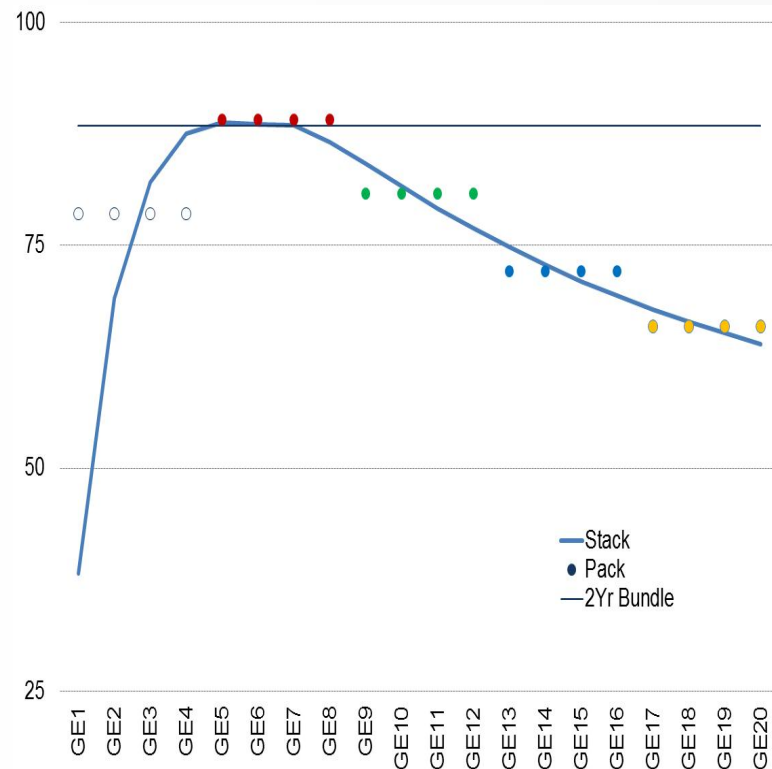


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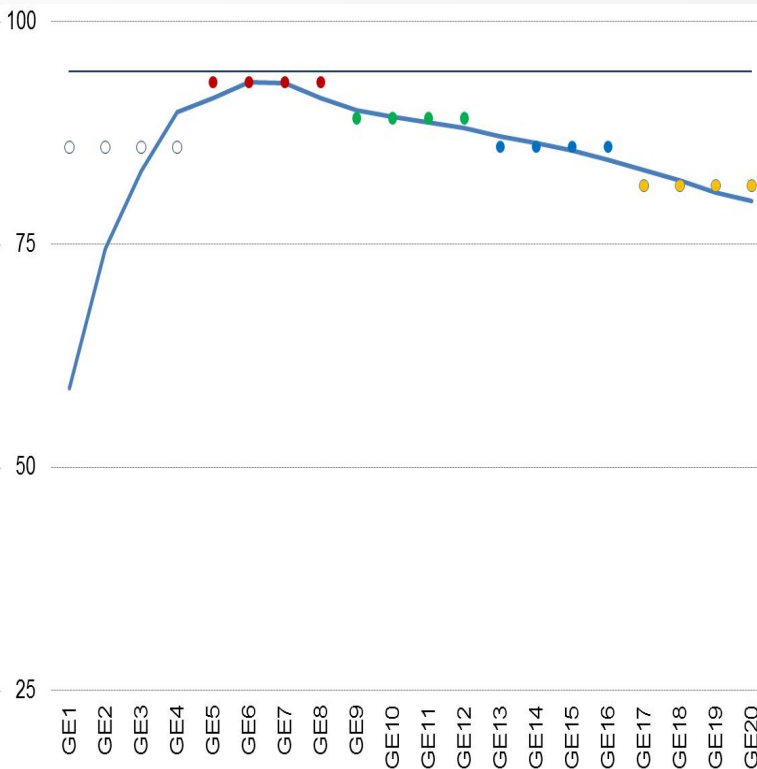
# Empirical TEDs: Correlation Surface for ZT

## Correlations of daily price changes – Front ZT v GE

In the long run: 28 Aug 2003-2013



...and lately: 30 May – 28 Aug 2013



Source: IHS Global Insight, CME Group calculations

# Empirical TEDs: Correlation Surface High Points

Let “long term” = 28 Aug 2003-2013.

Let “short term” = 30 May – 28 Aug 2013.

	<i>Stacks</i>		<i>Packs</i>		<i>Bundles</i>	
<i>Front ZF</i>						
<i>Long Term</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Green	93.4	Green	93.5	5-Year	94.2
<i>Short Term</i>	4 <sup>th</sup> Green	98.6	Green	98.4	5-Year	98.8
<i>Front ZT</i>						
<i>Long Term</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> Red	88.7	Red	89.1	2-Year	88.4
<i>Short Term</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Red	93.1	Red	93.2	2-Year	94.3

# Managing the Trade: What's the Right Framework?

## Price Spreads

Not recommended. Easy to compute, messy to interpret:

GE leg is a forward interest rate.

Treasury leg is a forward asset price.

## Interest Rate Spreads

Reasonably easy to compute, especially for tactical trading purposes. Simple to interpret:

TED spread = GE contract interest rate (ie, forward-starting Libor)  
*minus*  
Forward-starting yield on cheapest-to-deliver (CTD) Treasury note,  
as implied by Treasury futures delivery invoice price

***DV01-weighted TED ⇔ DV01 of interest rate spread is immediately evident.***

*23 Aug 2013 Examples:*

For 500 ZFU3 v 979 GEU5, 1 bp change in spread = \$24,485

For 1,000 ZTU3 v 1,513 GEU4, 1 bp change in spread = \$37,820

# Implementing Interest Rate Spreads

$$\text{TED Spread} = \text{GE contract interest rate} \\ \text{minus} \\ \text{Forward-starting yield on CTD Treasury note} \\ \text{as implied by Treasury futures delivery invoice price}$$

## What's the GE contract interest rate?

100 minus GE price

## What determines the Treasury yield?

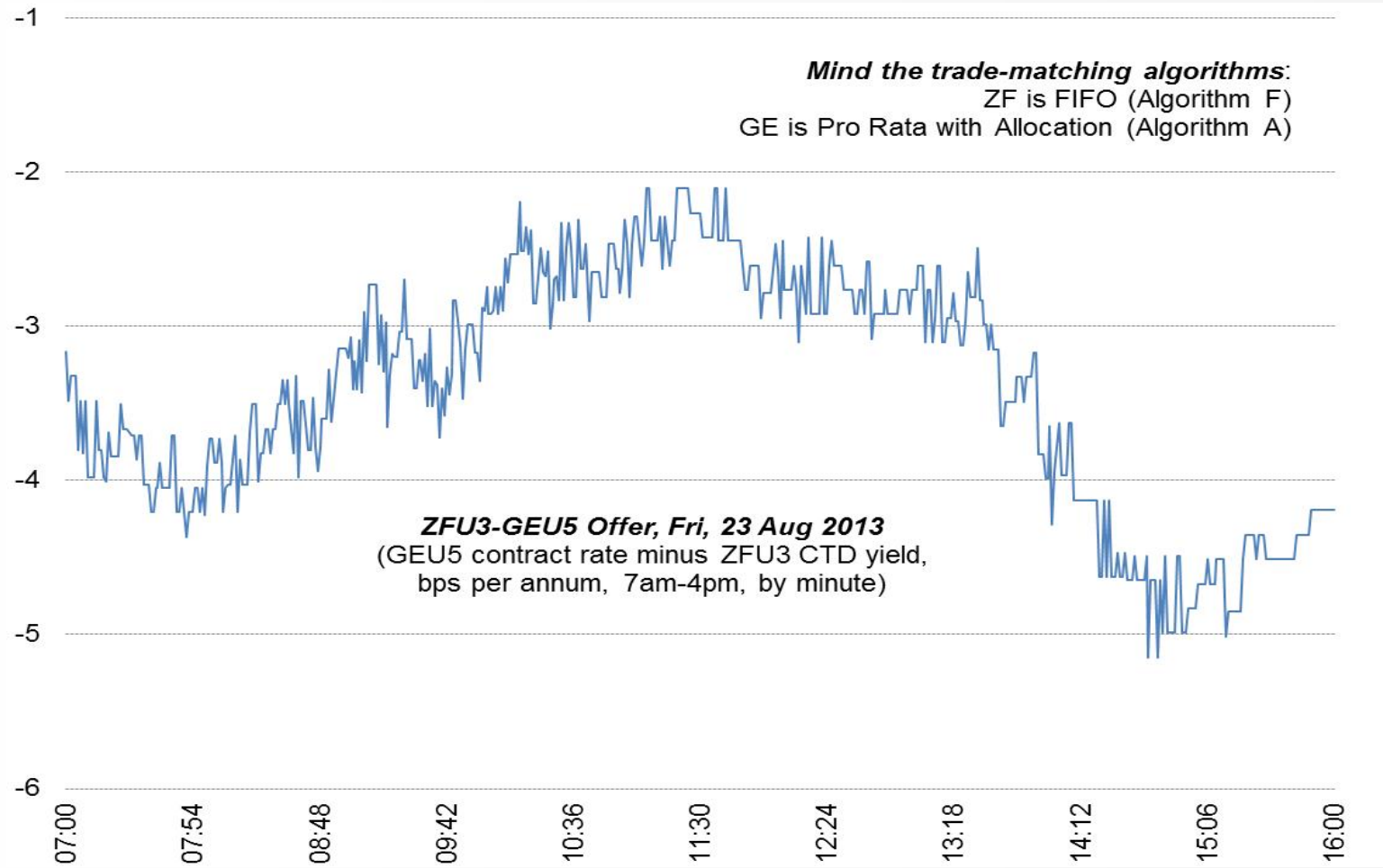
Treasury futures invoice price for future delivery = (Futures price x CTD conversion factor) plus Basis Guesstimate

Basis Guesstimate = CTD basis (in futures numeraire) from previous night's close

➤ Forward price of CTD issue = Spot (t+1) price minus Carry to forward settlement date  
(Carry = Accrued coupon interest minus repo financing cost)

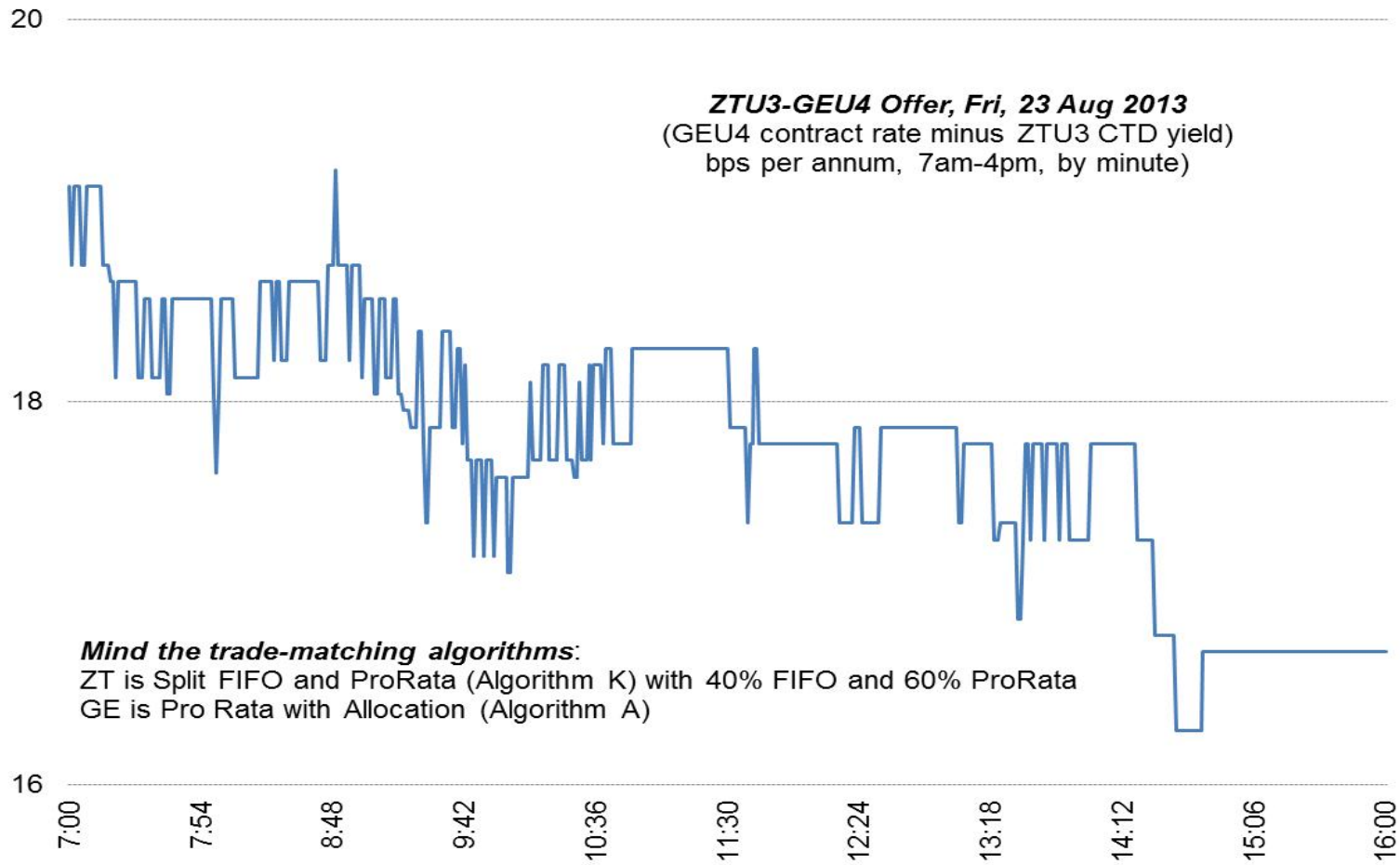
➤ Forward yield of CTD issue

# Example: 500 ZFU3 v 979 GEU5 on 23 Aug 2013



Source: CME Group

# Example: 1,000 ZTU3 v 1,513 GEU4 on 23 Aug 2013



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# Initial Margins and Margin Offsets

## 500 ZFU3 v 979 GEU5

ZF Initial Margin = \$990	\$495,000 = 500 x \$990
1 <sup>st</sup> Green GE Initial Margin = \$600	\$587,400 = 979 x \$600
Position Initial Margin w/out Margin Offsets	\$1,082,400
70% Margin Offset: (1 x ZF) v (2 x 1 <sup>st</sup> Green GE)	\$657 = 0.30 x (1 x \$990 + 2 x \$600)
Position = 490 MO Units + 10 1 <sup>st</sup> Green GE	
Initial Margin with Margin Offsets	\$327,930 = (490 x \$657) + (10 x \$600)

## 1,000 ZTU3 v 1,513 GEU4

ZT Initial Margin = \$275	\$275,000 = 1,000 x \$275
1 <sup>st</sup> Red GE Initial Margin = \$451	\$682,363 = 1,513 x \$451
Position Initial Margin w/out Margin Offsets	\$957,363
50% Margin Offset: (2 x ZT) v (3 x 1 <sup>st</sup> Red GE)	\$951.50 = 0.50 x (2 x \$275 + 3 x \$451)
Position = 500 MO Units + 13 1 <sup>st</sup> Green GE	
Initial Margin with Margin Offsets	\$481,613 = (500 x \$951.50) + (13 x \$451)

Source: Examples are hypothetical, and are based on CME Clearing performance bond and cross-margin settings as of 25 September 2013.

# Resources

## **Bloomberg LP**

Cheapest-to-Deliver Function -- (*BBG Futures Contract Code*) <COMDTY> DLV <GO>

## **Burghardt, Galen**

*The Eurodollar Futures and Options Handbook*, McGraw-Hill, 2003

## **Burghardt, Galen, et al**

*The Treasury Bond Basis, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*, McGraw-Hill, 2005

## **CME Clearing**

Margins -- <http://www.cmegroup.com/clearing/margins/#e=all&a=all&p=all>

## **CME Group**

Eurodollar Futures: The Basics

<http://www.cmegroup.com/trading/interest-rates/files/eurodollar-futures-the-basics.pdf>

## **CME Group**

Globex Trade Match Algorithms

<http://www.cmegroup.com/confluence/display/EPICSANDBOX/GCC+Product+Reference+Sheet>

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## **CQG** Integrated Client

<http://www.cqg.com/Products/CQG-Integrated-Client.aspx>

<http://www.cqg.com/Electronic-Trading/Features/Spread-Trading-in-CQG.aspx>

## **Trading Technologies** Autospreader<sup>®</sup>

<https://www.tradingtechnologies.com/en/products/trading-analytics/xtrader/autospreader/>

## **US Department of the Treasury**

31 CFR Part 356, Sale and Issue of Marketable Book-Entry Treasury Bills, Notes, and Bonds, Appendix B

<http://www.law.cornell.edu/cfr/text/31/356>

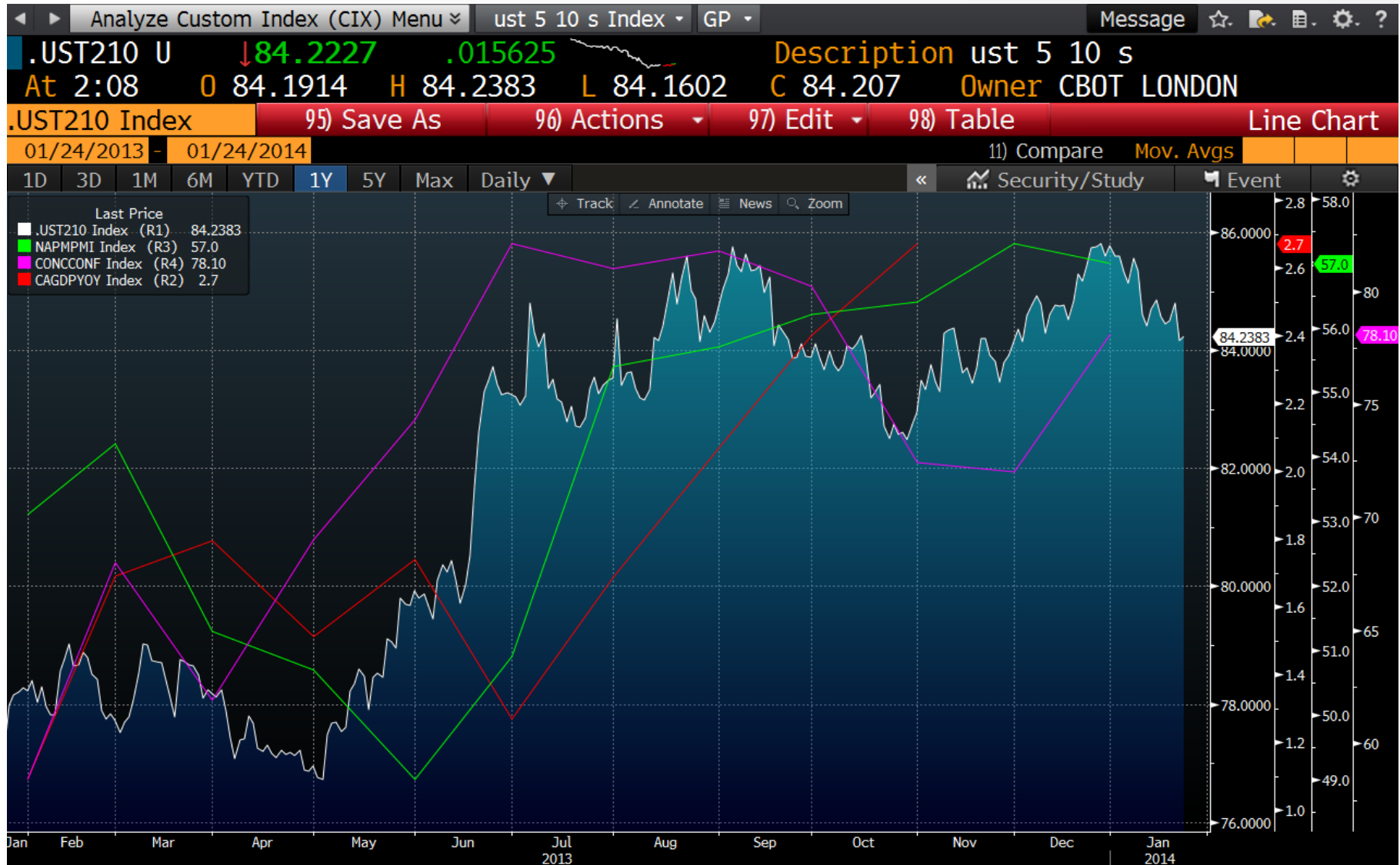
# Economic Release Impact on the Yield Curve

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## US Consumer Confidence, US ISM and US GDP's impacts on UST 2/10s Futures Curve



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21)	01/10 13:30	CA	🔊	📧	📊	Unemployment Rate	Dec	6.9%	7.2%	6.9%	--
22)	01/10 13:30	US	🔊	📧	📊	Change in Nonfarm Payrolls	Dec	197K	74K	203K	241K
23)	01/10 13:30	CA	🔊	📧	📊	Net Change in Employment	Dec	14.1K	-45.9K	21.6K	--
24)	01/10 13:30	US	📧	📊	....	Two-Month Payroll Net Revi...	Dec	--	38K	--	--
25)	01/10 13:30	CA	📧	📊	....	Full Time Employment Change	Dec	--	-60.0	1.4	--
26)	01/10 13:30	US	📧	📊	....	Change in Private Payrolls	Dec	200K	87K	196K	226K
27)	01/10 13:30	CA	📧	📊	....	Part Time Employment Cha...	Dec	--	14.2	20.0	--
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UST 2/5/10s Butterfly Price Action Following Much Weaker than expected US NFP Data



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UST 5/30s Spread Price Action Following Much Weaker than expected US NFP Data



# Current DV01 Ratios For UST Futures

## Resource. Current DV01 Ratios

	2yr	3yr	5yr	7yr	10yr	30yr	ZT	ZF	ZN	ZB	DV01's	Dv01's
1 mil	2yr	1.531	2.466	3.368	4.479	9.618	4.579	3.755	2.448	1.308	2yr	1.913
	1 mil	3yr	1.611	2.200	2.926	6.283	7.010	5.749	3.747	2.002	3yr	2.928
Basis		1 mil	5yr	1.366	1.817	3.901	11.291	9.259	6.035	3.225	5yr	4.716
			1 mil	7yr	1.330	2.856	15.423	12.648	8.244	4.405	7yr	6.442
Fut/FUT			\$	1 mil	10yr	2.147	20.512	16.821	10.964	5.859	10yr	8.568
		ZT			1 mil	30yr	44.046	36.120	23.544	12.580	30yr	18.397
cash/cash		ZF				1mil	ZT	1.219	1.871	3.501	ZT	4.177
		ZN					ZF	1.534	2.871		ZF	5.093
Fut/cash		ZB						ZN	1.871		ZN	7.814
		2y								ZB	ZB	14.624
		3y										
		5y										
		7y										
		10y										
		30y										

## Resource. CQG Q Formula Spread Codes

NOB					
Q1	10_30.NOB.Futures	TYA-SHARESCALE(USA*.571,TYA)			
Q2	10_30.NOB.Cash	BUSP10-SHARESCALE(BUSP30*.418,BUSP10)			
Q3	10_30.NOB.Swap	TUS30AY-TUS10AY			
Q17	CashNOBvsFutNOB	Q2-Q1			
FIT					
Q3	5_10.FIT.Futures	FVA-SHARESCALE(TYA*.621,FVA)			
Q4	5_10.FIT.Cash	BUSP05-SHARESCALE(BUSP10*.545,BUSP05)			
Q12	5_10.FIT.SWAP	TUS10AY-TUS05AY			
Q16	CashFITvsFutFIT	Q4-Q3			
TUF					
Q5	2_5.TUF.Futures	TUA-SHARESCALE(FVA*.82,TUA)			
Q6	2_5.TUF.Cash	BUSP02-SHARESCALE(BUSP05*.41,BUSP02)			
Q13	2_5.TUF.SWAP	TUS05AY-TUS02AY			
Q18	CashTUFvsFutTUF	Q6-Q5			
TUT					
Q7	2_10.TUT.Futures	TUA-SHARESCALE(TYA*.51,TUA)			
Q8	2_10.TUT.Cash	BUSP02-SHARESCALE(BUSP10*.222,BUSP02)			
Q14	2_10.TUT.SWAP	TUS10AY-TUS02AY			
Q19	CashTUTvsFutTUT	Q8-Q7			
FOB					
Q9	5_30.FOB.Futures	FVA-SHARESCALE(USA*.35,FVA)			
Q10	5_30.FOB.Cash	BUSP05-SHARESCALE(BUSP30*.23,BUSP05)			
Q15	5_30.FOB.SWAP	TUS30AY-TUS05AY			
Q20	CashFOBvsFutFOB	Q10-Q9			

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