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1. ASSET CREDIT QUALITYDrives default probability

2. ASSET SECURITY

Seniority of originating loans; drives recovery rates

3. PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION

Volatility of fund; driven by diversity in fund

4. PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

Evolving risk of fund, rules of fund

5. CASH FLOW ANALYSIS

Timing of defaults/recoveries

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- 1. Credit quality of the securitized assets
- 2. Legal and regulatory risks
- 3. Payment structure and cash flow mechanics
- 4. Operational/admin risks
 - 5. Counterparty risk

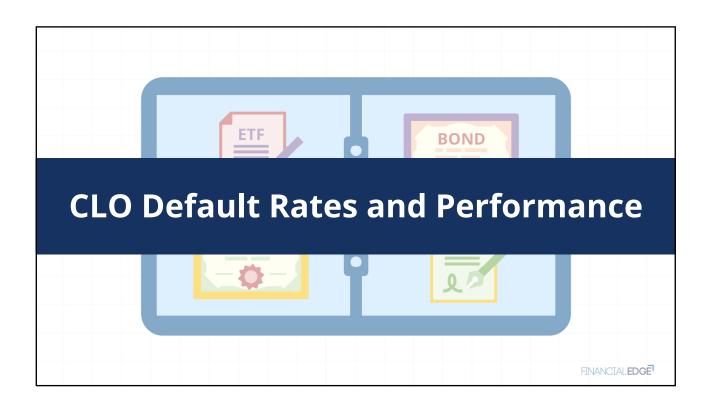
Scenario default rate at CLO tranche rating level < breakeven default rate for CLO tranche

MOODYS

"We base our rating of a CLO tranche on its expected loss (EL). We estimate EL using a cash flow model that consists of two primary components: (a) a mechanism for associating asset default scenarios with the likelihood of each scenario (a default distribution) and **(b)** a cash flow component that relates each asset default scenario to the cash flows that the rated tranche receives in that scenario."

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RATING	CUMULATIVE DEFAULTS: BY RATING LEVELS	
	CLO	CORPORATES
AAA	0.0%	0.9%
AA	0.1%	1.1%
Α	0.3%	2.1%
BBB	0.5%	5.1%
ВВ	1.5%	15.8%
В	1.1%	28.3%



