

Bajaj Finserv Arbitrage Fund

(An open ended scheme investing in arbitrage opportunities)

May 2025



Arbitrage in a nutshell!

The simultaneous purchase and sale of the same or similar asset in different markets in order to profit from tiny differences in the asset's listed price.



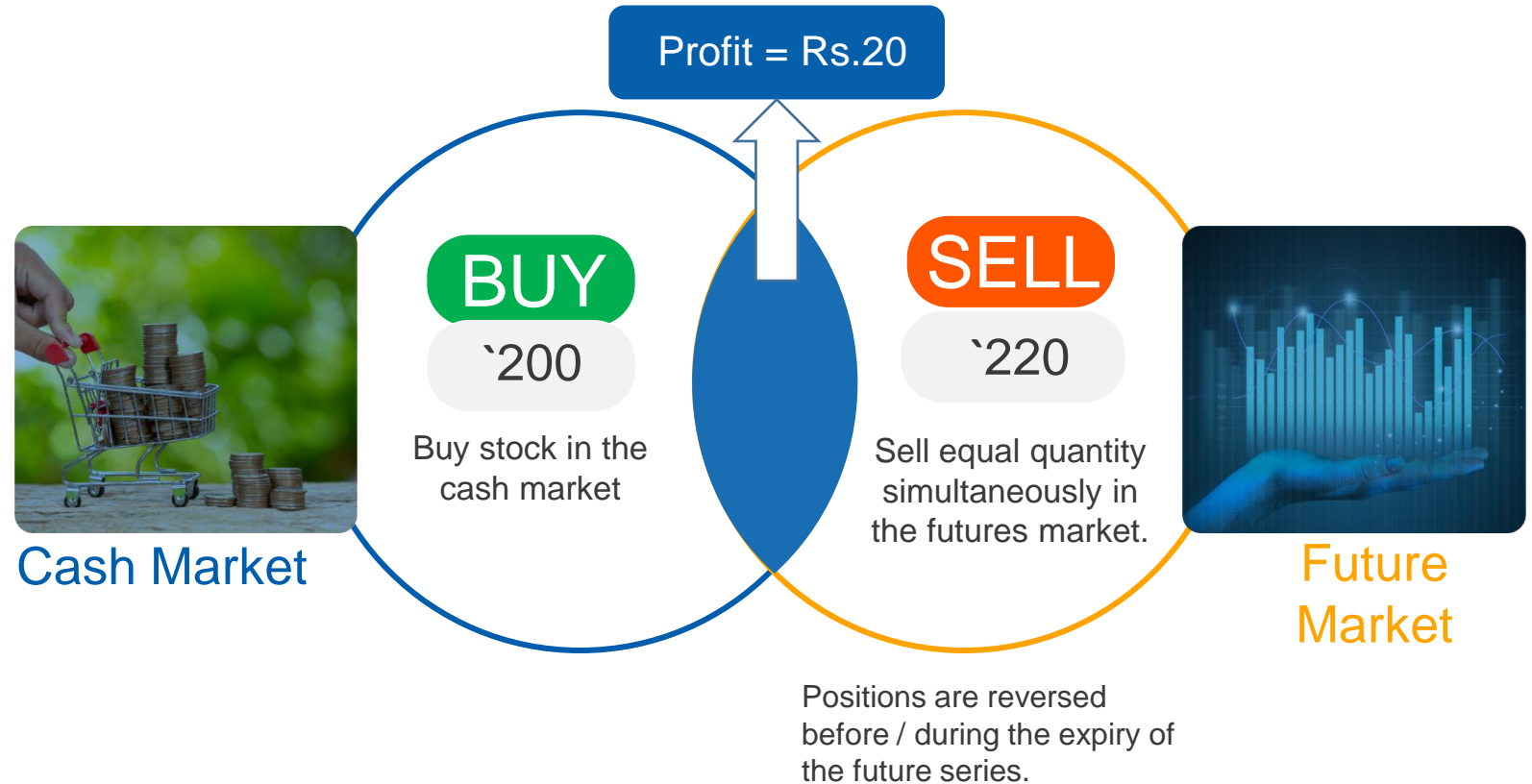
$$\text{Arbitrage} = \text{Rs } 12000 - \text{Rs } 10000 = \text{Rs } 2000$$

Let's dive deep into Arbitrage Fund

A type of mutual fund that leverages on the price difference between cash and futures market to generate returns for one particular asset/asset class.

Arbitrage Opportunity

Price difference prevailing in two different markets for the same security/commodity.



DNA of Arbitrage Fund



A transaction wherein
buying and selling occurs
simultaneously.



A security and
derivative is bought
and sold

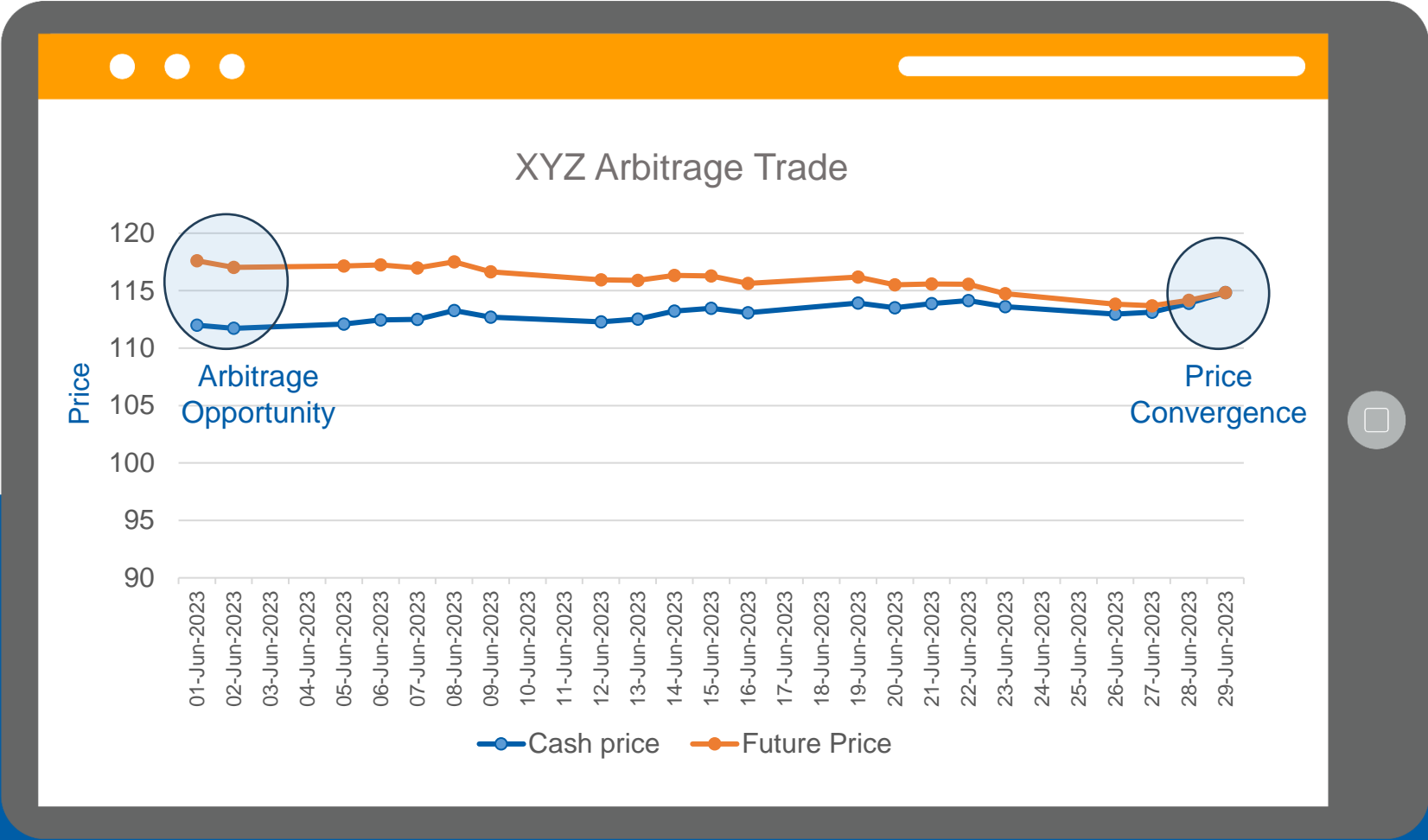


The activity happens in
two different markets
(Cash & Futures)



Relatively Low Risk
since the cash market
price converges with the
futures market price at
the month end.

Example : Capturing the spread between Cash and Future prices



Reasons for spreads between Cash and Futures markets



Cost of Acquisition: The cost of acquisition i.e. full consideration for cash markets and margin funding for futures contract affects their price relationship.



Transaction Volume: Higher acquisition costs may lead to reduced trading volume, affecting liquidity and prices in both markets.



Participant Diversity: Different types of traders in cash and futures markets lead to varied liquidity levels and spread dynamics.



Settlement Timing: Cash markets settle immediately, while futures have set expiration dates, causing spread variation as contracts approach maturity.



Market Sentiments and Volatility: Differences in market sentiment, economic data, and geopolitical events affects the spread width in both markets.



Speculation: Levels of Traders' speculative behaviour affects the spread differences between markets for arbitrage opportunities, impacting spread levels.

Cash and Carry Arbitrage – ‘Wait For The Expiry’ Method

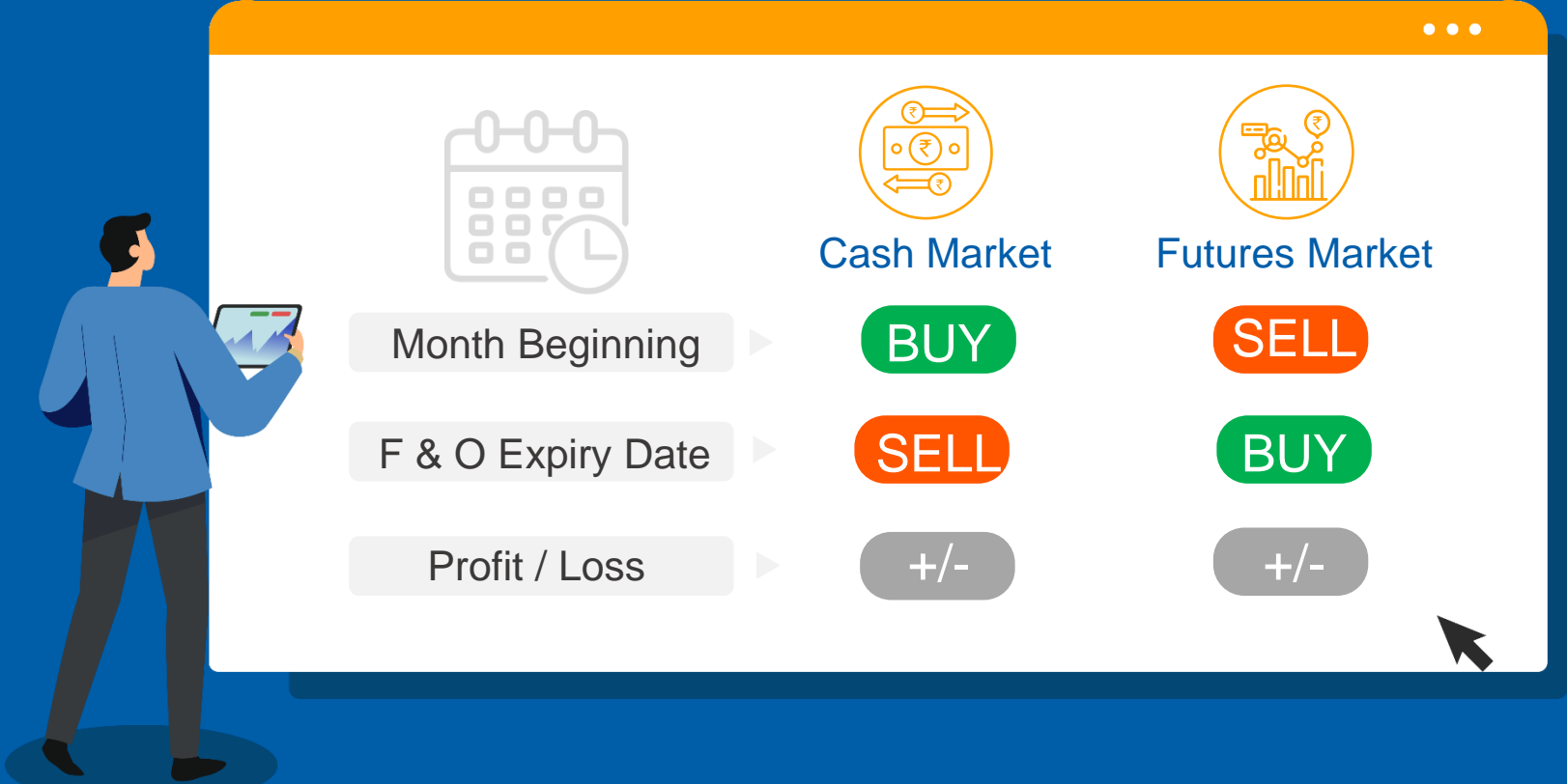


Fund Manager



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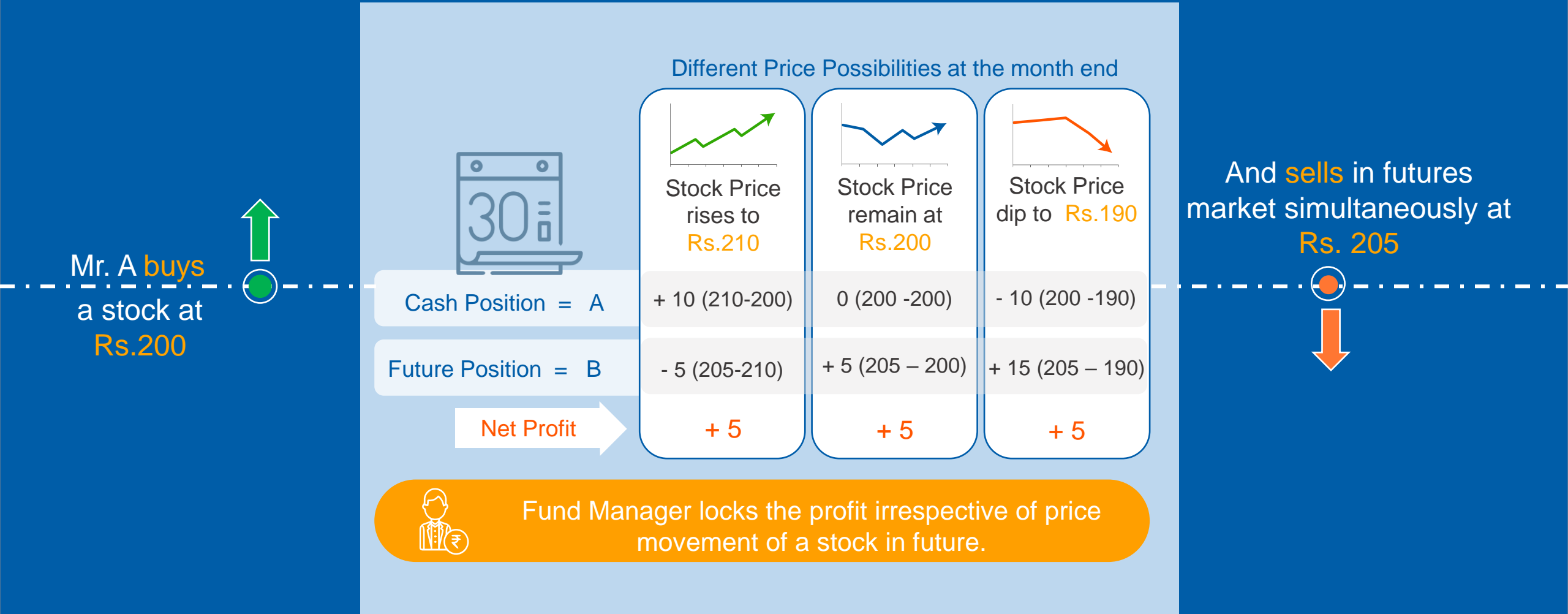
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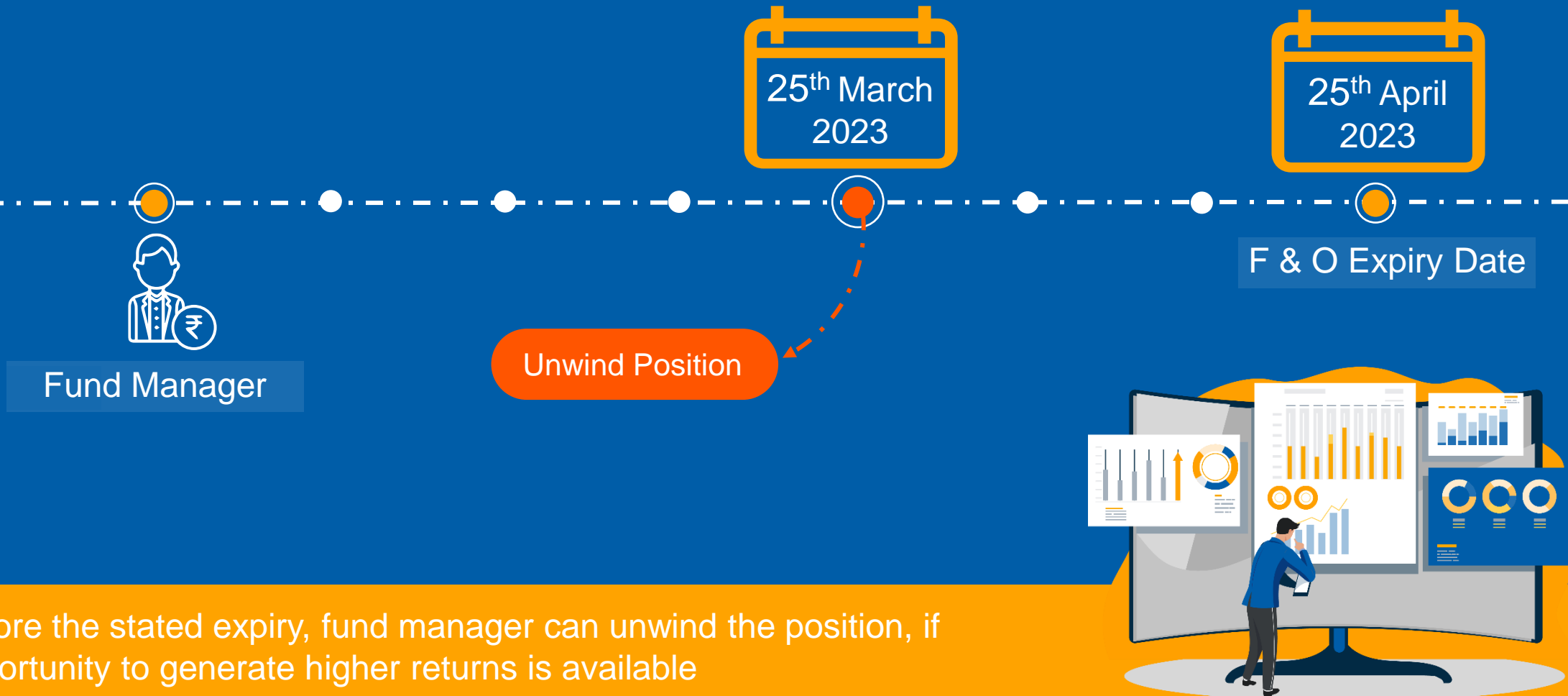
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Cash and Carry Arbitrage – Case study



Unwinding The Position



Before the stated expiry, fund manager can unwind the position, if opportunity to generate higher returns is available

Rollover Futures Position



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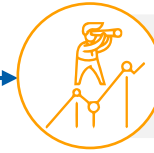


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Rollover Futures Position

On the date of expiry, fund manager can rollover the futures position to capture delta, if the price difference still exists for the next month's expiry.

Arbitrage Investment Strategies



Spot – Futures



Index Arbitrage



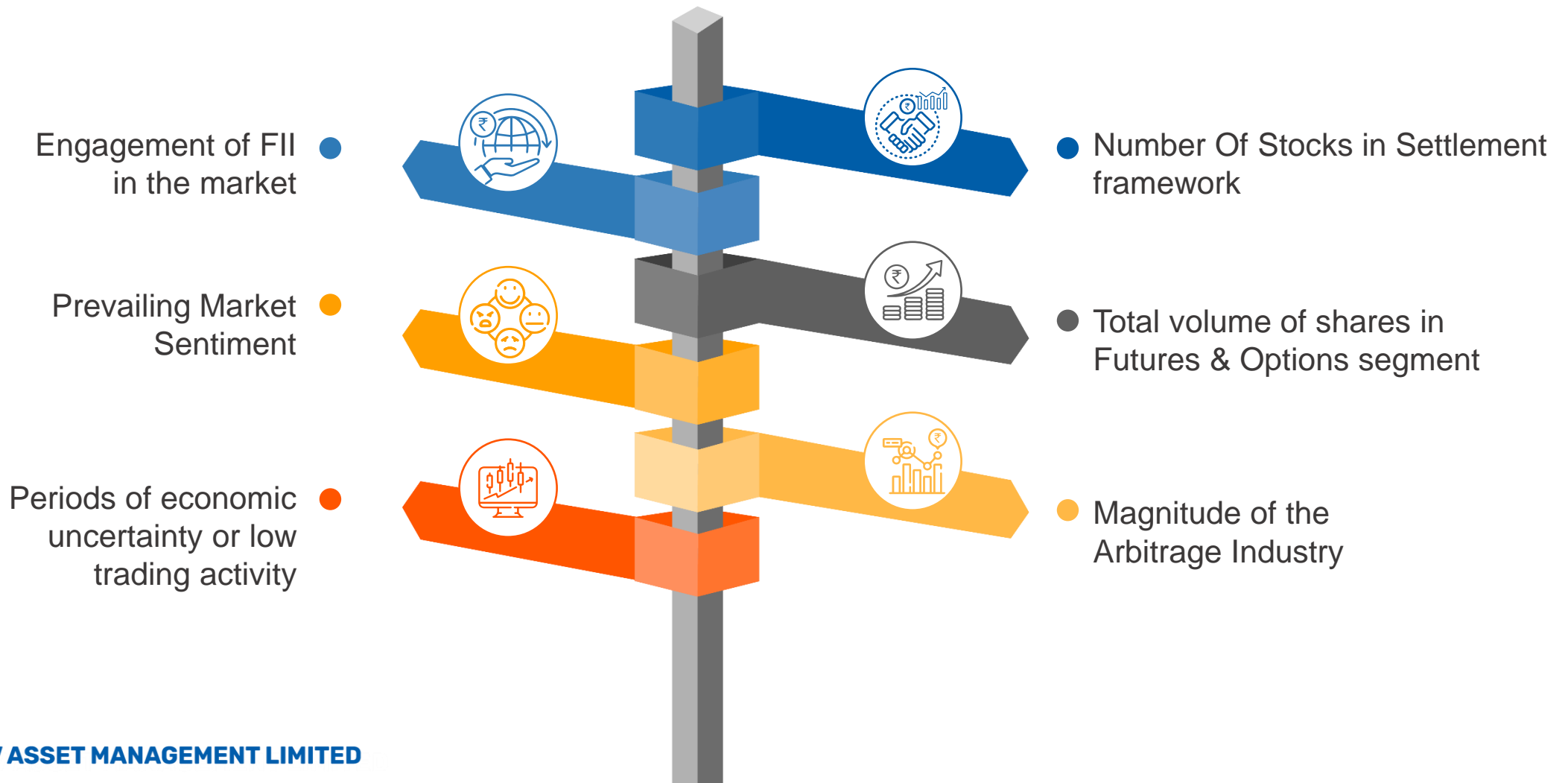
Exchange Arbitrage



Dividend Arbitrage

Factors Impacting Spreads

Spread: Difference between buying and selling prices of a stock.



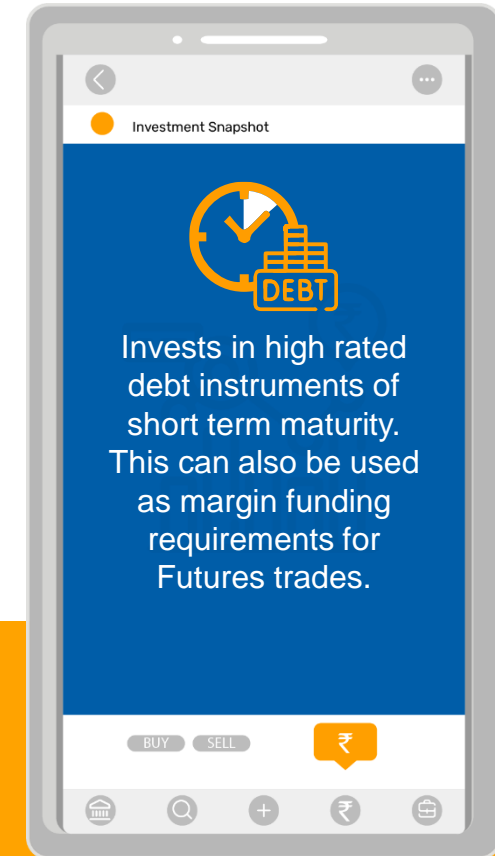
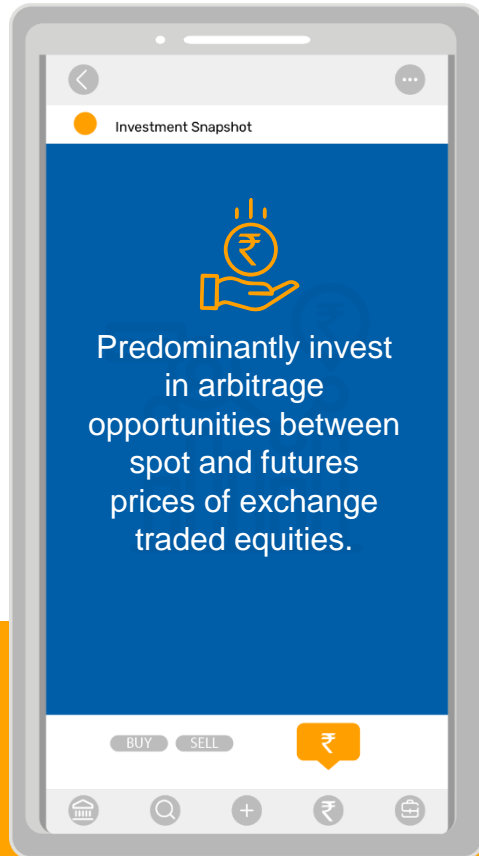
Decoding the commonly used terms

- **Arbitrage:** The practice of exploiting price differences for the same asset in different markets to make a profit.
- **Spot Market:** Financial instruments, commodities, or assets are bought and sold for immediate delivery and settlement.
- **Futures Market:** Contracts are traded that obligate the buyer to purchase, and the seller to sell, an asset at a predetermined price and date in the future.
- **Price Discrepancy:** Difference in prices between markets that allows for potential profit.
- **Long Position:** Owning stock with the expectation of its price increasing
- **Short Position:** Borrowing or selling stock with the expectation of its price decreasing, aiming to buy it back at a lower price.
- **Spread:** Difference between buying and selling prices of a stock.
- **Hedging:** Using a strategy or instrument to offset potential losses from price movements in another asset, reducing overall risk.
- **Market Efficiency:** How well asset prices reflect all available information and adjust to new information.
- **Index arbitrage:** Trading strategy that attempts to profit from the price differences between two or more market indices.
- **Dividend arbitrage:** An options trading strategy that involves purchasing put options and an equivalent amount of underlying stock before its ex-dividend date and then exercising the put after collecting the dividend.

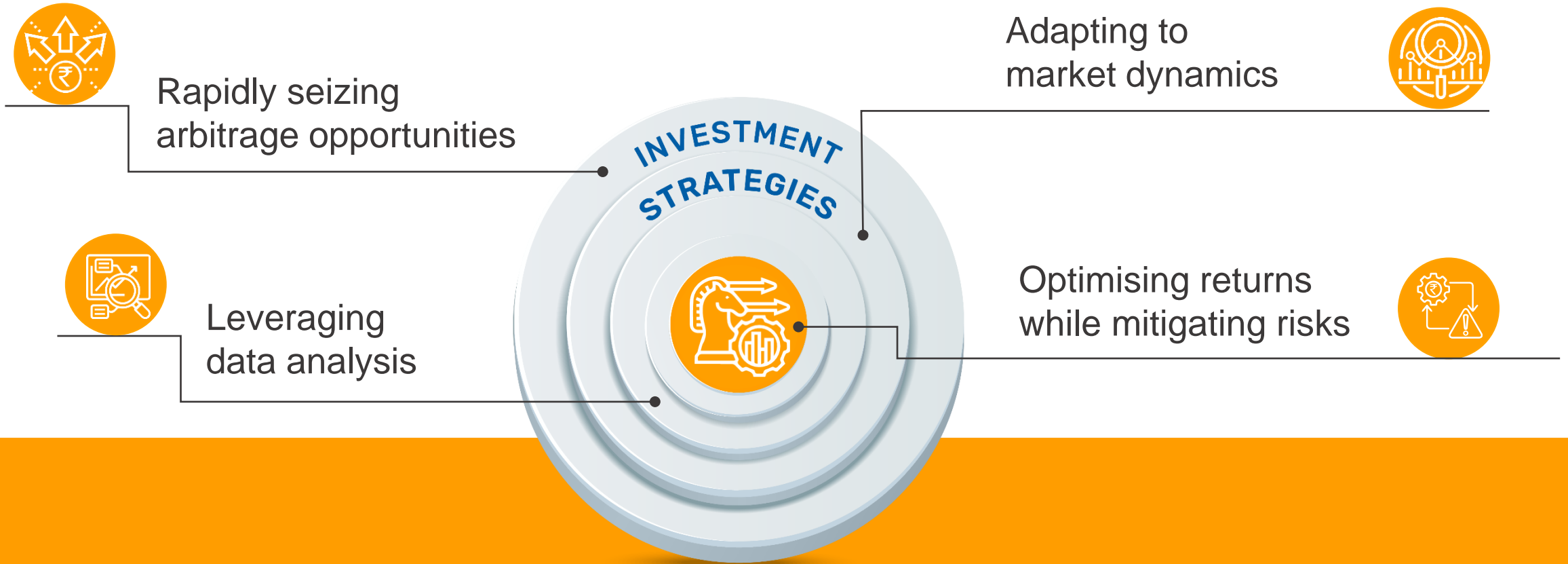
Introducing Bajaj Finserv Arbitrage Fund



Investment Snapshot



Bajaj Finserv Arbitrage Fund : Investment Strategies



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Low Volatility

2 
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3 
Equity Taxation

Low Volatility Advantage

An analysis of 90 days daily rolling returns of Nifty 50 Arbitrage Index vs Nifty 50 TRI (from Apr 1, 2010 to Dec 31, 2024)

Parameter	Nifty 50 Arbitrage Index	Nifty 50 TRI
 Maximum Returns (Absolute)	3.05%	32.39%
 Minimum Returns (Absolute)	-0.54%	-37.52%
 No. of times +ve returns	98.75%	68.11%
 Standard Deviation	0.57%	7.89%

1  Low Volatility

Arbitrage Index scores favourable on the risk parameters vis-a-vis Equities.

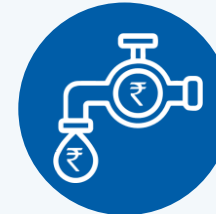
Past performance may or may not be sustained in the future

Fixed Income Strategy – Low Credit Advantage

2 No Credit Risk



Bajaj Finserv Arbitrage Fund endeavors to negate the credit and duration risk by investing in short term debt instruments that are highly rated.









For margin requirements, the fund would seek to invest in its own Liquid Fund.



Will allocate basis the interest rate and demand supply outlook to invest across the short end of the curve to generate performance.

Tax Advantage

3 Equity Taxation

			
Capital Gains Tax	Arbitrage Funds	Equity Funds	Debt Funds*
 Short Term	20% (< 1 year)	20% (< 1 year)	Income Tax Slab applicable to assessee
 Long Term	12.5%# (> 1 year)	12.5%# (> 1 year)	Income Tax Slab applicable to assessee

Above rates are excluding Surcharge and Cess

Capital gains upto Rs 1 lakh are tax exempted.

*The Finance Act 2023 by way of introduction of Section 50AA of the Income Tax Act, 1961 (hereinafter referred to as 'the IT Act') provided that any gain or income arising on transfer, redemption or maturity of units of specified mutual funds (wherein not more than 35% of the total proceeds are invested in equity shares of domestic companies for instance, certain debt funds) acquired on or after 1 April 2024 will be deemed as short term capital gains, and subject to tax at the applicable slab rate of the investor, irrespective of the period of holding



Arbitrage Funds offers a better Tax Advantage than Debt Funds

Tax Advantage – Arbitrage Fund vs Bank Deposit

Individual/HUF		
Particulars	Arbitrage Funds	Bank Deposit
Invested Amount	Rs. 1,00,00,000	Rs. 1,00,00,000
Assumed Annualized Rate of Return (p.a)	7%	7%
Abs returns for 364 days	Rs. 6,98,082.19	Rs. 6,98,082.19
Tax rate*	15%	30%
(-) Short term capital gains tax	Rs. 1,04,712	Rs. 2,09,425
Net Tax Returns	Rs. 5,93,370	Rs. 4,88,658
Gains (Annualized)	5.95%	4.90%

*Excluding surcharge and cess. The incidence of the same will be based on the individual tax slabs. | Source: Internal data computation

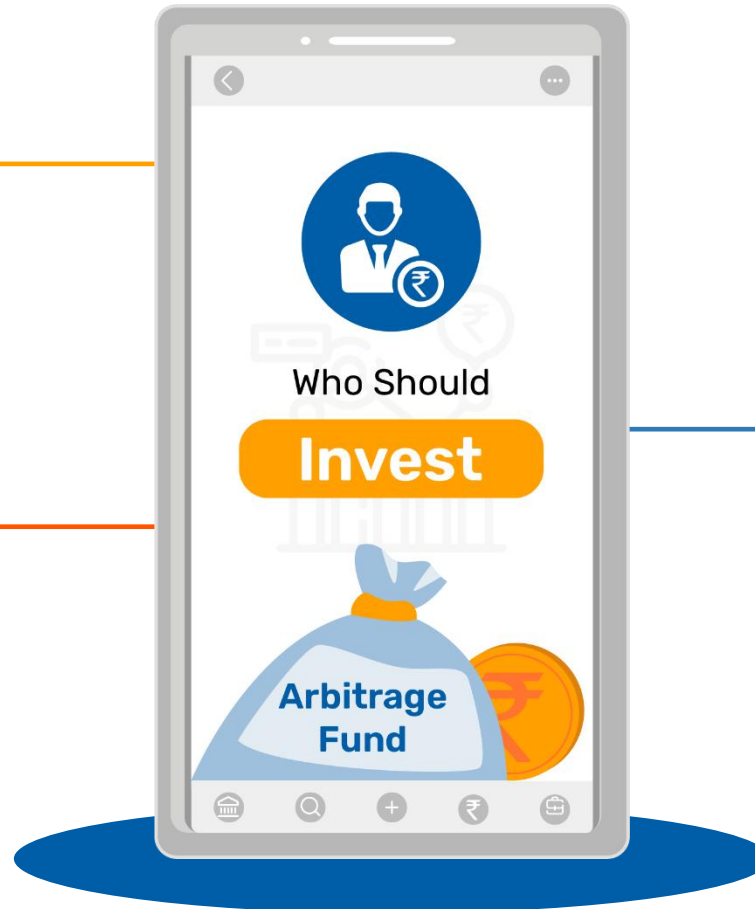
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Who should Invest in Arbitrage Fund?

Risk-averse investors
for parking surplus
funds



Looking for **investments**
upto 3 month or more



Investors who want to
take **advantage of**
Equity Taxation

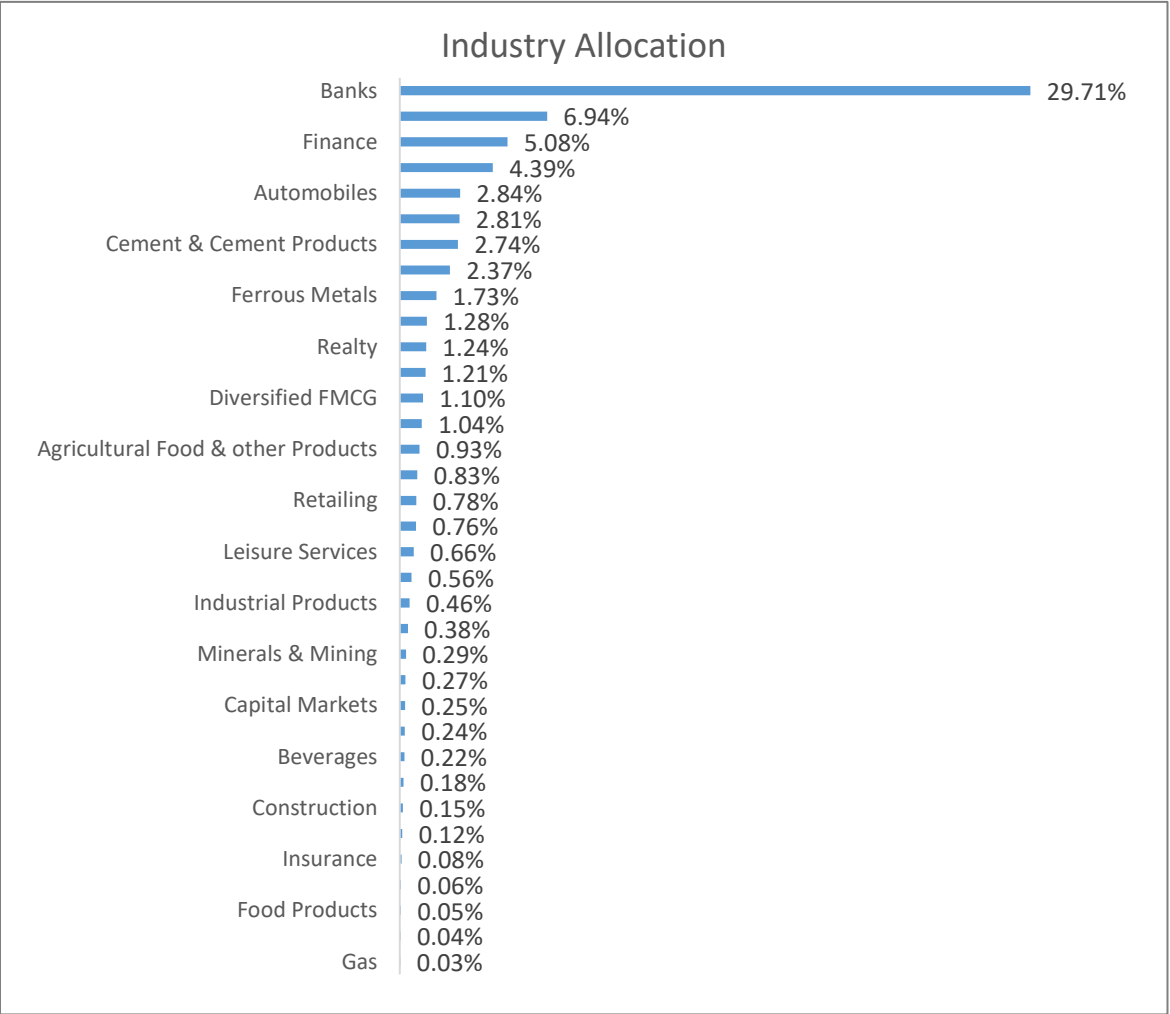
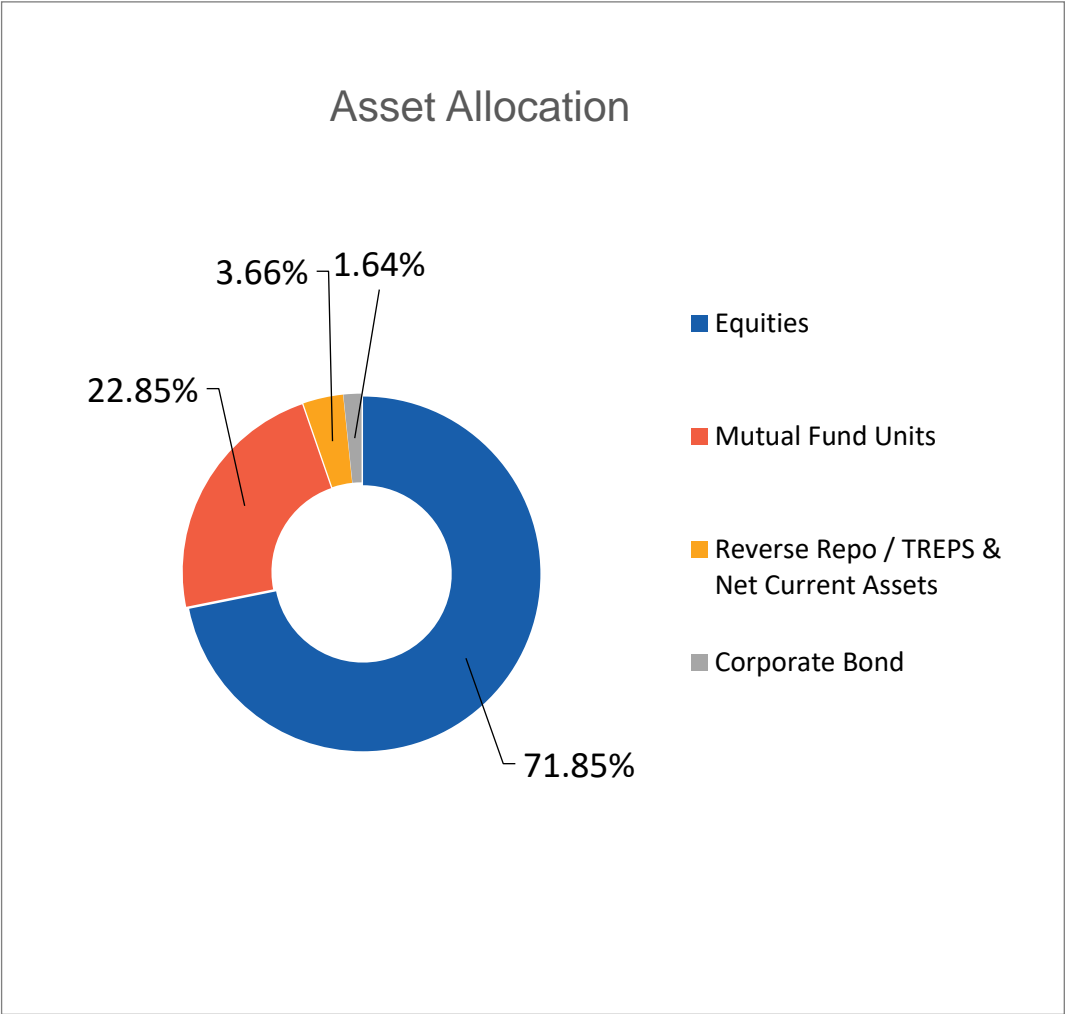
Bajaj Finserv Arbitrage Fund - Portfolio

Stock	Market Value as % of Net Asset (Eq)	Market Value as % of Net Asset (Fut)
ICICI Bank Limited	7.62%	-7.65%
Reliance Industries Limited	6.63%	-6.66%
Axis Bank Limited	5.72%	-5.75%
HDFC Bank Limited	4.55%	-4.57%
Punjab National Bank	3.70%	-3.70%
REC Limited	2.75%	-2.76%
Bank of Baroda	2.45%	-2.46%
Tata Consultancy Services Limited	2.17%	-2.17%
Tata Power Company Limited	1.88%	-1.88%
Infosys Limited	1.86%	-1.87%
UltraTech Cement Limited	1.79%	-1.80%
State Bank of India	1.64%	-1.63%
IDFC First Bank Limited	1.59%	-1.60%
Vodafone Idea Limited	1.53%	-1.55%
Bandhan Bank Limited	1.42%	-1.44%
Bharat Electronics Limited	1.09%	-1.10%
Tata Motors Limited	1.06%	-1.06%
Tata Communications Limited	1.06%	-1.06%
GMR Airports Limited	0.99%	-0.99%
ITC Limited	0.97%	-0.97%
LIC Housing Finance Limited	0.83%	-0.83%
Mahindra & Mahindra Limited	0.79%	-0.79%
DLF Limited	0.76%	-0.76%
Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Limited	0.76%	-0.76%
Indian Railway Catering And Tourism Corporation Limited	0.66%	-0.66%
Steel Authority of India Limited	0.66%	-0.66%
Power Finance Corporation Limited	0.65%	-0.65%
RBL Bank Limited	0.64%	-0.64%
Hindalco Industries Limited	0.56%	-0.56%
Titan Company Limited	0.52%	-0.52%
Marico Limited	0.51%	-0.51%
Ambuja Cements Limited	0.49%	-0.49%

Stock	Market Value as % of Net Asset (Eq)	Market Value as % of Net Asset (Fut)
Godrej Properties Limited	0.48%	-0.48%
Shriram Finance Limited	0.40%	-0.41%
Tata Steel Limited	0.39%	-0.40%
TVS Motor Company Limited	0.39%	-0.39%
Trent Limited	0.38%	-0.38%
Aditya Birla Fashion and Retail Limited	0.38%	-0.38%
Vedanta Limited	0.38%	-0.38%
Aurobindo Pharma Limited	0.37%	-0.37%
JSW Steel Limited	0.36%	-0.37%
Hero MotoCorp Limited	0.34%	-0.34%
Grasim Industries Limited	0.34%	-0.34%
Havells India Limited	0.33%	-0.33%
Jindal Steel & Power Limited	0.32%	-0.32%
Power Grid Corporation of India Limited	0.32%	-0.32%
Bajaj Finserv Limited	0.32%	-0.32%
Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone Limited	0.29%	-0.29%
NMDC Limited	0.29%	-0.29%
Tata Consumer Products Limited	0.26%	-0.26%
Bajaj Auto Limited	0.26%	-0.26%
Coforge Limited	0.24%	-0.25%
Adani Enterprises Limited	0.24%	-0.24%
Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited	0.24%	-0.24%
Cipla Limited	0.22%	-0.22%
Varun Beverages Ltd	0.21%	-0.21%
Granules India Limited	0.20%	-0.20%
Crompton Greaves Consumer Electricals Limited	0.19%	-0.19%
Astral Limited	0.18%	-0.18%
Bharti Airtel Limited	0.17%	-0.17%
HDFC Asset Management Company Limited	0.16%	-0.16%
Patanjali Foods Limited	0.16%	-0.16%
Godrej Consumer Products Limited	0.16%	-0.17%
Canara Bank	0.16%	-0.16%
KEI Industries Limited	0.15%	-0.15%
Larsen & Toubro Limited	0.15%	-0.15%
Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited	0.14%	-0.14%

Stock	Market Value as % of Net Asset (Eq)	Market Value as % of Net Asset (Fut)
JSW Energy Limited	0.14%	-0.14%
Hindustan Unilever Limited	0.13%	-0.13%
ABB India Limited	0.13%	-0.13%
Pidilite Industries Limited	0.12%	-0.12%
Hindustan Aeronautics Limited	0.12%	-0.12%
The Federal Bank Limited	0.12%	-0.12%
ACC Limited	0.12%	-0.12%
Cummins India Limited	0.11%	-0.11%
Multi Commodity Exchange of India Limited	0.09%	-0.09%
Jio Financial Services Limited	0.08%	-0.08%
HCL Technologies Limited	0.07%	-0.07%
Indian Oil Corporation Limited	0.07%	-0.07%
SBI Life Insurance Company Limited	0.07%	-0.07%
MRF Limited	0.06%	-0.06%
Yes Bank Limited	0.06%	-0.06%
Tech Mahindra Limited	0.05%	-0.05%
Indus Towers Limited	0.05%	-0.05%
Britannia Industries Limited	0.05%	-0.05%
Apollo Hospitals Enterprise Limited	0.04%	-0.04%
Bank of India	0.03%	-0.03%
NTPC Limited	0.03%	-0.03%
Glenmark Pharmaceuticals Limited	0.03%	-0.03%
Mahanagar Gas Limited	0.03%	-0.03%
Info Edge (India) Limited	0.02%	-0.02%
APL Apollo Tubes Limited	0.02%	-0.02%
Muthoot Finance Limited	0.02%	-0.02%
Dabur India Limited	0.02%	-0.02%
IIFL Finance Limited	0.02%	-0.02%
United Spirits Limited	0.01%	-0.01%
Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited	0.01%	-0.01%
ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company Limited	0.01%	-0.01%
Laurus Labs Limited	0.01%	-0.01%
Bajaj Finance Limited	0.01%	-0.01%
Hedged Equity Exposure	71.82%	-72.07%
Bajaj Finserv Liquid Fund - Direct Plan - Growth	22.85%	
Total Mutual Funds	22.85%	
HDB Fin. Serv Ltd	1.64%	
Total Corporate Bonds	1.64%	
Reverse Repo/Treps	3.17%	
Total Short Term Debt and Net Current Assets	0.52%	
Grand Total	100.00%	

Bajaj Finserv Arbitrage Fund - Allocation



Fund Features

Investment Objective	The investment objective of the Scheme is to seek to generate returns by investing in arbitrage opportunities in the cash and derivatives segments of the equity markets and by investing balance in debt and money market instruments. However, there is no assurance that the investment objective of the Scheme will be achieved
Benchmark	Nifty 50 Arbitrage Index (TRI)
Plans	Regular/Direct
Options	Growth and IDCW
Fund Manager	Mr. Ilesh Savla (Equity portion) Mr. Siddharth Chaudhary (Debt portion)
Exit Load Structure	Entry Load – Nil Exit Load – 0.25% of applicable NAV if redeemed/switched out within 15 days from the date of allotment. Nil if redeemed/switched out after 15 days from the date of allotment.
Minimum Application Amount	Fresh Purchase (lumpsum): Rs. 500/- and in multiples of Re. 1/- thereafter Systematic Investment Plan (SIP): Rs. 500 and above: minimum 6 instalments. Minimum amount for switch-in: Rs. 500 and in multiples of Re. 1. Two-Factor Authentication will be applicable for subscription as well as redemption transactions in the units of Mutual Fund.

Riskometer

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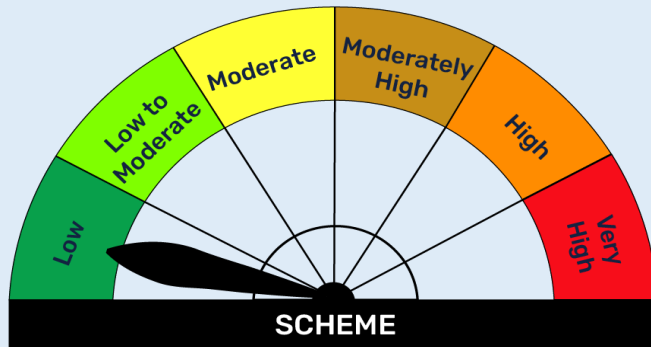
This product is suitable for investors who are seeking*:

- Short term income generation
- Income through arbitrage opportunities in the cash and derivatives segments of the equity markets

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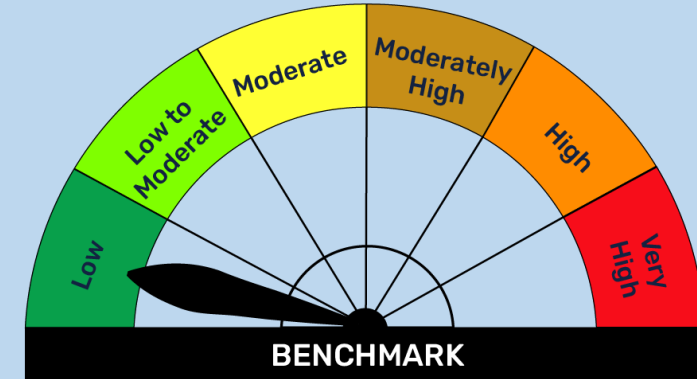
Riskometer



The risk of the scheme is low

BENCHMARK

Riskometer



The risk of the benchmark i.e. Nifty 50 Arbitrage Index (TRI) is low

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