## PD0 Results / Trading to Hedge

## Price Discovery in PD0

- □ At the end, GTT was going to be worth some value in the set {20, 22, 24, 26, 28}, each value equally likely.
- □ Over time, we learned values that were ruled out.
- □ At the end, we might know that the value would be either 22 or 28.
- □ Different people had different ruled-out values.

Copyright 2014, Joel Hasbrouck, All rights reserved

## The price discovery process in theory

- □ Suppose the true value is 28.
  - Group A knows the value is 28 or 20.
  - Group D knows the value is 28 or 26.
- □ Group D pushes the price up to 26.
- □ Once group A sees the price heading up to 26, they are confident that the final value is 28: they trade to 28.

Copyright 2014, Joel Hasbrouck, All rights reserved

3

## The price discovery process in practice

- □ Trading is very congested. Market systems are slow to respond.
- Adjustment paths are chaotic, with a lot of undershooting and overshooting.
- □ Market orders can execute at very bad prices.

Copyright 2014, Joel Hasbrouck, All rights reserved

4













