



Outline of arrowhead Renewal

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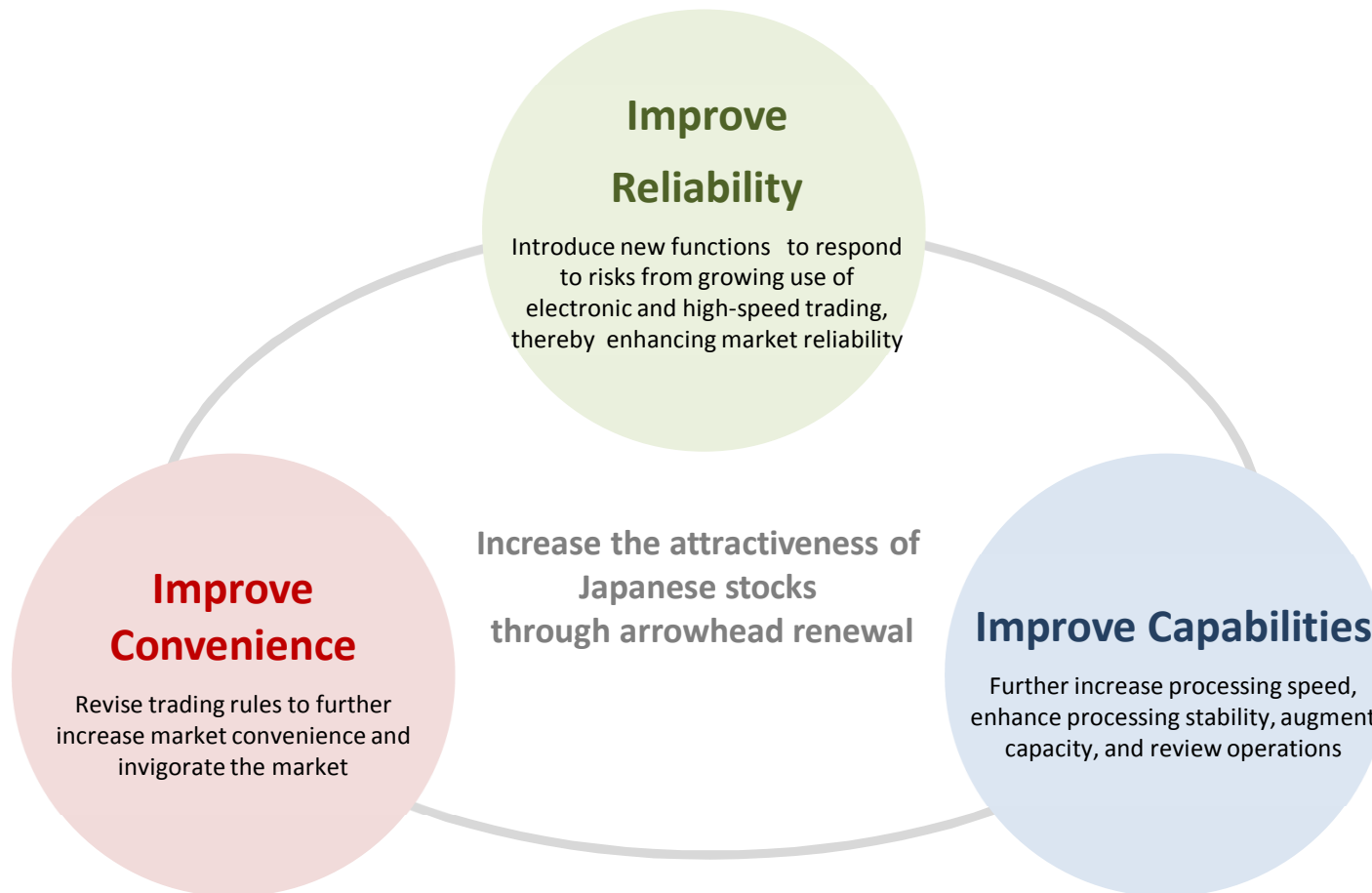
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Fundamental Principles for arrowhead Renewal

TSE will carry out renewal based on the current arrowhead system in line with the fundamental principles of improving reliability, convenience, and processing capabilities.

Changes in the market environment since arrowhead launch (Jan. 2010)

- Developments in electronic trading
- Increased order flow
- Cash market integration
- New user needs



Fundamental Principle 1: Improve Reliability

Respond to risks from developments in electronic trading by introducing new functions and partially revising the trading rules

Increased Risk from Developments in Electronic Trading

- Growing use of electronic and high-speed trading
- Occurrence of erroneous trades caused by electronic trading on foreign exchanges which had widespread effects

Maintain our reliability as the main domestic market through trading system improvements in response to the evolving environment

① Revise Rules for Sequential Trade Quote

- Partially revise sequential trade quote rule to accommodate for sharp price fluctuations caused by multiple orders
- ⇒ Concurrently support the needs of diverse investors by controlling sudden and sharp price fluctuations

② Introduce Dummy Symbols

- Introduce dummy symbols for test order placement in the production (live) environment
- ⇒ Prevent erroneous operations and orders by improving stability of trading participant order placement systems

③ Introduce User-designated Hard Limits

- Introduce a function that checks order size and trading value
 - Trading participants can set the limit for such checks
- ⇒ Minimize damage to investors in the unlikely case of an erroneous order

Fundamental Principle 2: Improve Convenience

Further increase convenience and invigorate the market by revising trading rules and introducing new functions

Invigorate the Market through Improve Convenience

- Revision to trading rules
- Introduction of new functions which are common on foreign exchanges

Further enhance price formation function and invigorate the market through offering greater convenience to a diversity of investor bases



① Optimization of Tick Sizes

- Implement Phase III of the tick size revision to coincide with the launch of arrowhead renewal (details to be decided based on conditions up to Phase II)

⇒ Reduce spread costs by setting tick sizes appropriate for the issues' liquidity

② Introduce Cancel on Disconnect

- Provide a function to cancel all unexecuted orders which were placed by a virtual server that has been abnormally disconnected due to reasons such as a system failure at the trading participant

⇒ Reduce risk of unexpected executions when virtual servers experience connection issues

③ Introduce Kill Switches

- Provide a function for trading participants to designate virtual servers for which it wants to prohibit order placement, and cancel all unexecuted orders which were placed by such virtual servers

⇒ Improve convenience of managing customer credit risk and ordering for trading participants

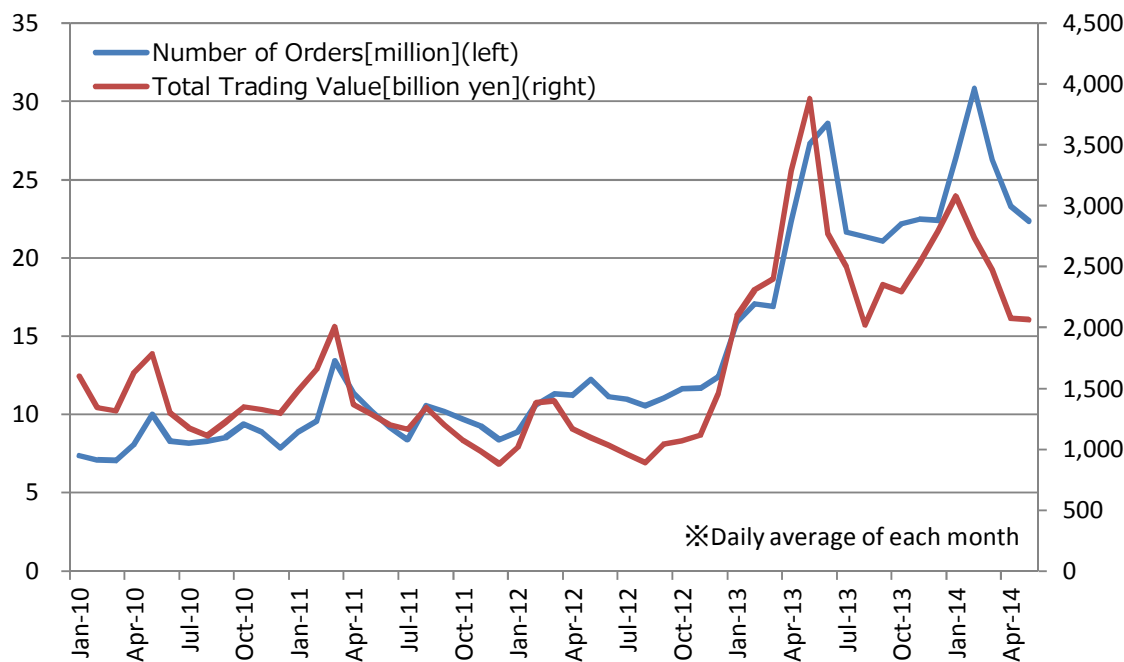
Fundamental Principle 3: Improve Capabilities

Increase processing speed, enhance processing stability, and secure appropriate capacity

Increasing Number of Transactions due to Vibrant Market Conditions

- Large increase in order numbers and trading value due to Abenomics
- Sudden rise in transactions at the time of the Great East Japan Earthquake

Transition of the Number of Orders and Total Trading Value



- The average number of orders per day has risen from 8.2 million in 2010 to 21.7 million in 2013.

① Achieve more stable processing

- Achieve stable response times even during high order concentration

② Further enhance response

- Halve current response times (order acceptance notices, execution notices, etc.)

③ Secure appropriate capacity

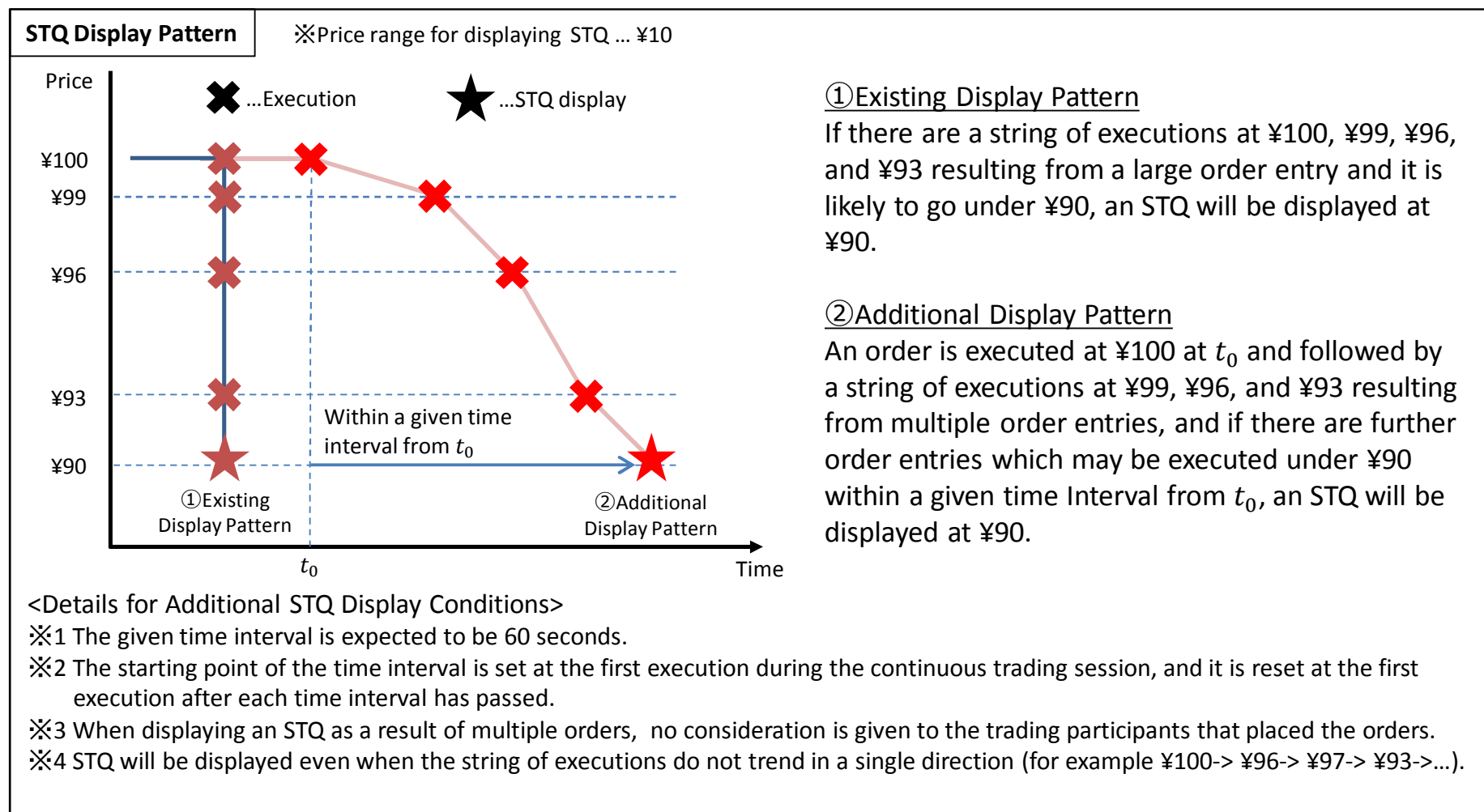
- Flexibly augment capacity to accommodate increases in order volume, etc.

Maintain competitive edge as a world-class trading system

Outline of New Functions①

Additional Condition for Displaying Sequential Trade Quote(STQ)

- If there is sequential execution by multiple order entries which is likely to go beyond the STQ price range within a given time interval, an STQ will be displayed.



① Existing Display Pattern

If there are a string of executions at ¥100, ¥99, ¥96, and ¥93 resulting from a large order entry and it is likely to go under ¥90, an STQ will be displayed at ¥90.

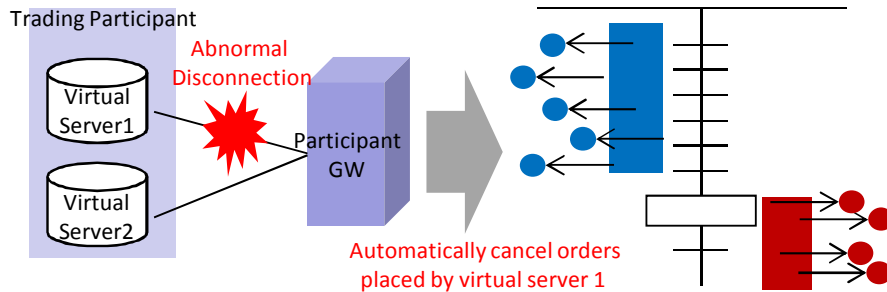
② Additional Display Pattern

An order is executed at ¥100 at t_0 and followed by a string of executions at ¥99, ¥96, and ¥93 resulting from multiple order entries, and if there are further order entries which may be executed under ¥90 within a given time interval from t_0 , an STQ will be displayed at ¥90.

Outline of New Functions②

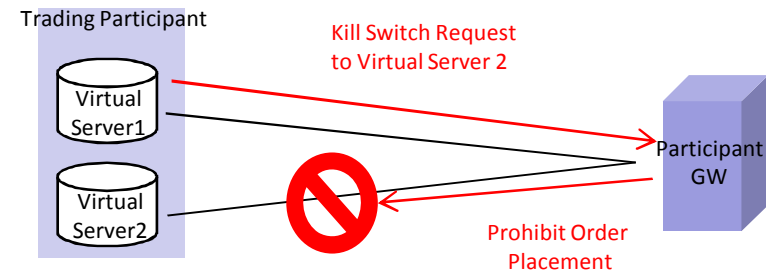
Risk Management Functions for Trading Participants

(a) Cancel on Disconnect



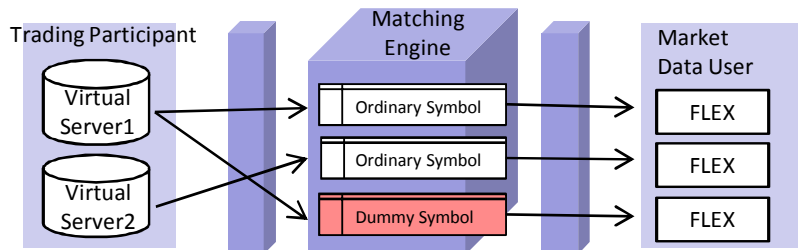
- When a virtual server is disconnected abnormally, all valid orders placed by the virtual server that are in the order book are automatically cancelled by the trading system.
- Can be set to on/off for each virtual server.

(b) Kill Switch (Order Suspension/Cancellation Instruction)



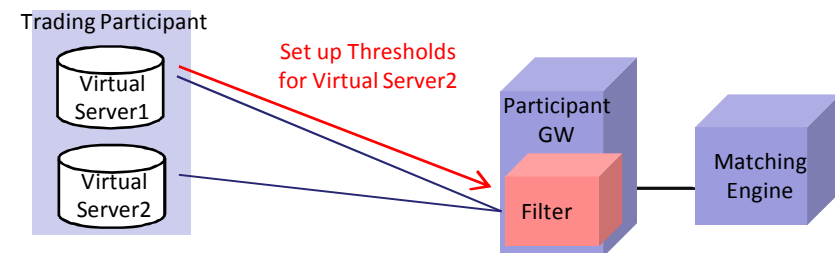
- From a virtual server that is authorized beforehand, prohibit order placement by any virtual server and automatically cancel all orders it placed.
- Can be used to activate the kill switch of a drop-copy source virtual server from a virtual server that receives drop-copies of notices.

(c) Dummy Symbols (Issues for Test)



- Dummy symbols are registered for test order placement in the weekday production (live) environment.
- Can be used to confirm order placement operations for situations such as commencement of live operations or recovery from system failure.



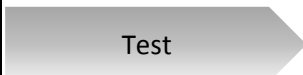
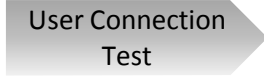

(d) User-Designated Hard-Limit



- A limiter function for users to set thresholds for each virtual server.
- Users can set the upper limit of value per order (price x quantity) (error return), and upper limit to cumulative order value or execution value per designated time period (automatically cancels all orders by the target virtual server and prohibits order placement).

Schedule

- The launch of arrowhead renewal will be on September 24th, 2015.
- Related trading rule revisions will be disclosed in early 2015.
- User Connection Tests will start in February 2015.

No.		2013		2014				2015				
		Jul.	Oct.	Jan.	Apr.	Jul.	Oct.	Jan.	Apr.	Jul.	Oct.	
1	Development Schedule									 From Feb. 2015		 arrowhead Renewal Production Operation Sep. 2015
2	Disclosure of System Interface Specifications	▲First Oct. 2013		▲Update June 2014								
3	Revision of Trading Rules							Publish outline		Revise rules		Early 2015