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The Tranquillity that Rocked the World



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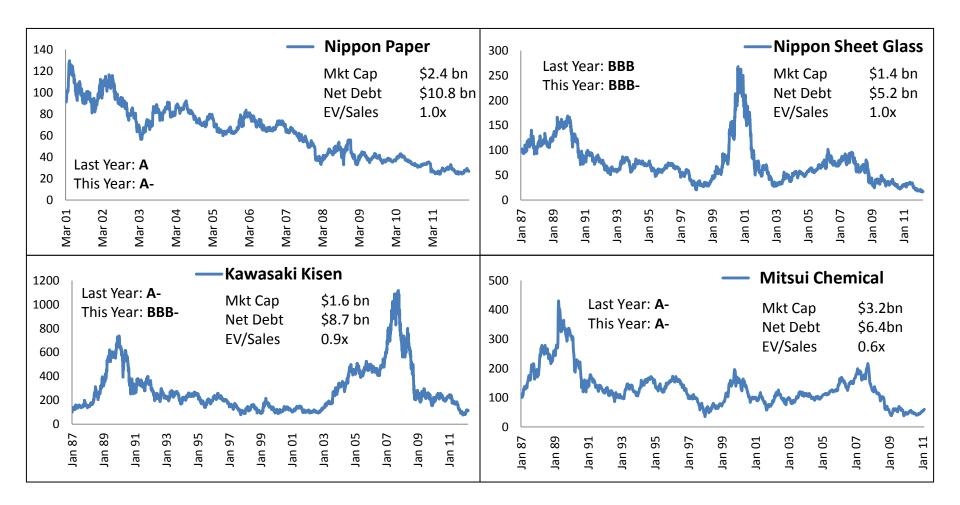
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JAPAN'S WALKING DEAD

Operational + Financial Leverage = Value Trap



Source: Bloomberg/EAM. Net debt figures include pensions and capitalised operating leases; credit ratings from R&I.



THE CREDIT OPPORTUNITY

- To invest in a levered portfolio of credit protection on a basket of single name industrial companies, of which all are highly cyclical, operationally leveraged and have significant levels of debt.
- To exploit a major pricing anomaly which exists owing to the insatiable demand for yield in a zero interest rate environment. Is Japan a nuclear bomb strapped onto the chest of the global economy?
- To profit from the potential bursting of a **bubble** in Chinese property and industrial over-investment.



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WHY NOW?

- China and other emerging economies have been reflated through huge credit growth and fiscal stimulus, leading to higher commodity prices.
- This has led many industries to increase capex, despite falling sales and profitability.
- Demand for industrial materials has risen exponentially along with supply.
- Should demand for industrial materials decline in an unwinding of the "China credit bubble" it is our contention that many industries would be devastated by over supply and a collapse in operating margins.
- The dramatic narrowing in credit spreads and perceived certainty of perpetual Chinese growth allow us to assemble credit protection on a basket of industrial and cyclical names.



FIVE CATALYSTS TO MAKE MONEY

- A Growth Recession in China Brought About by Over-Investment
- An Even Stronger Yen
- A Change in the Term Structure of Japanese Government Rates
- Domestic Fiscal Austerity
- The Status Quo



HAS WESTERN CREDIT LEVERAGE PROMPTED AN OVER INVESTMENT

CYCLE IN CHINA?



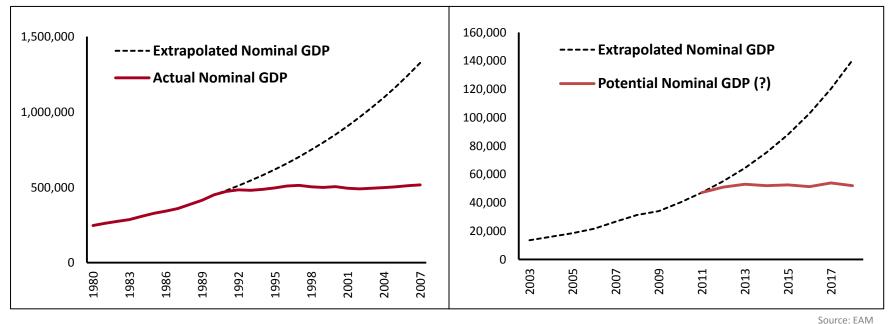
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Chinese GDP:

Japanese GDP:

Actual v. Extrapolated from 1990

Actual v. Extrapolated from 2005 ??





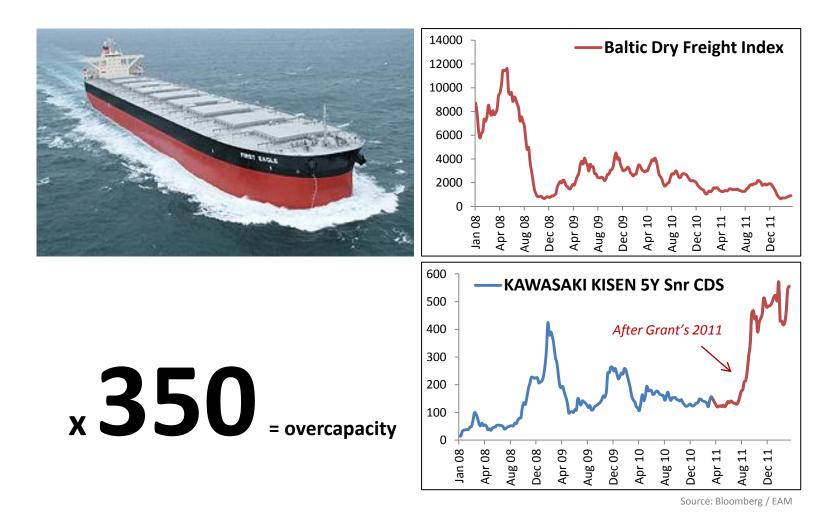
OLD CONFUCIUS SAYING, "WISE MAN NOT INVEST IN OVER-CAPACITY"





OVER-INVESTMENT CASE STUDY

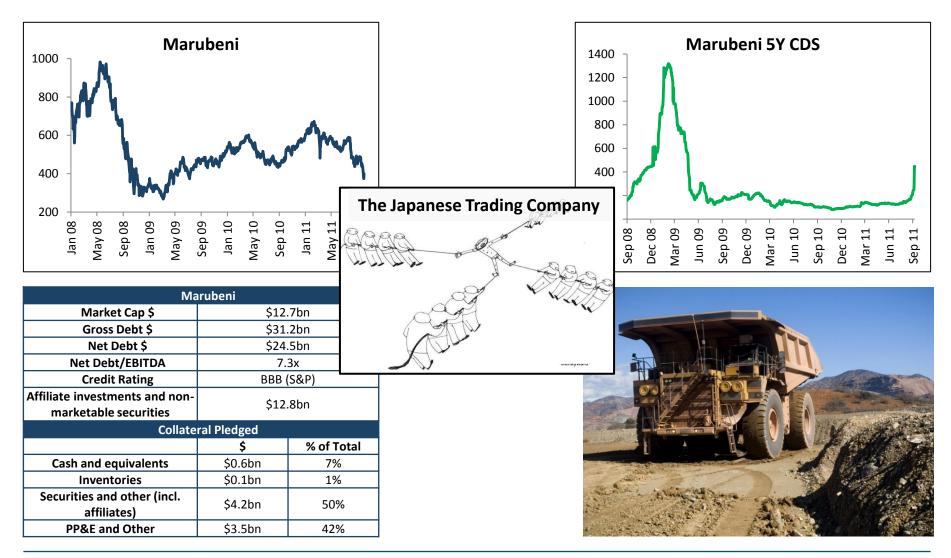
Japanese Shipping: Supersize Me?



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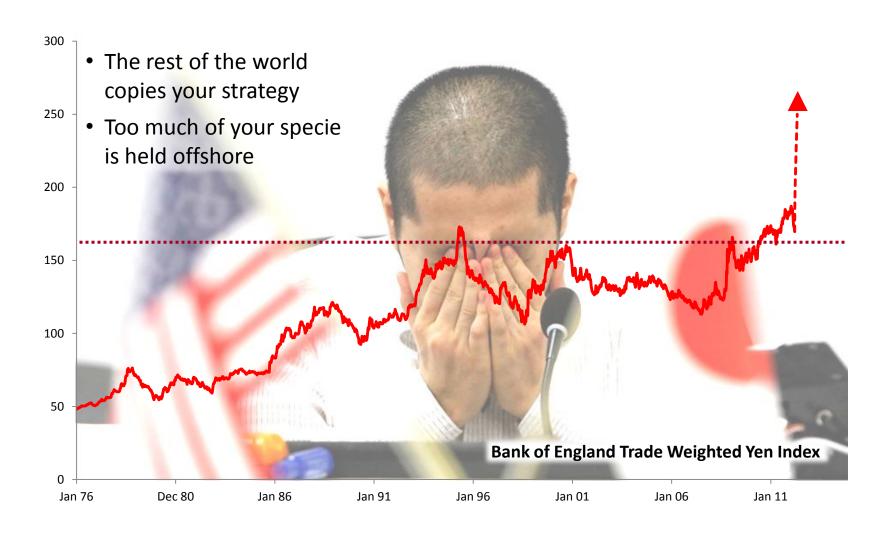
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THE MOST BULLISH, PRO-CYCLICAL AND OPAQUE BUSINESS MODEL?





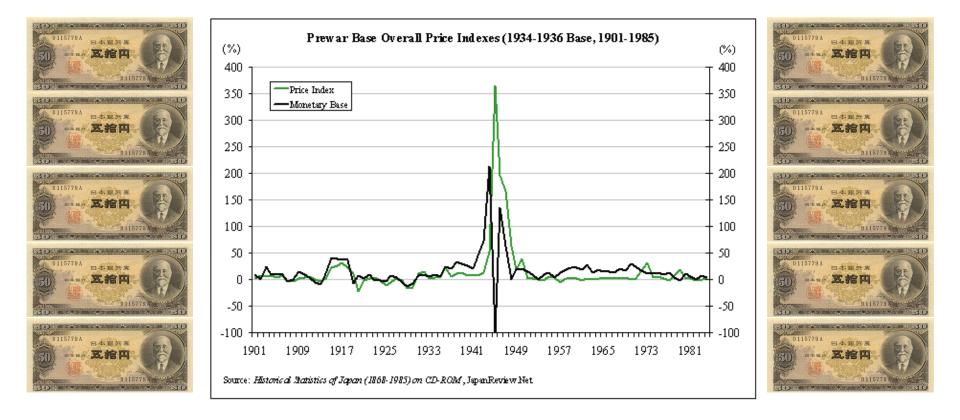
THE DEATH SPIRAL OF MERCANTALISM



Source: Bloomberg / EAM



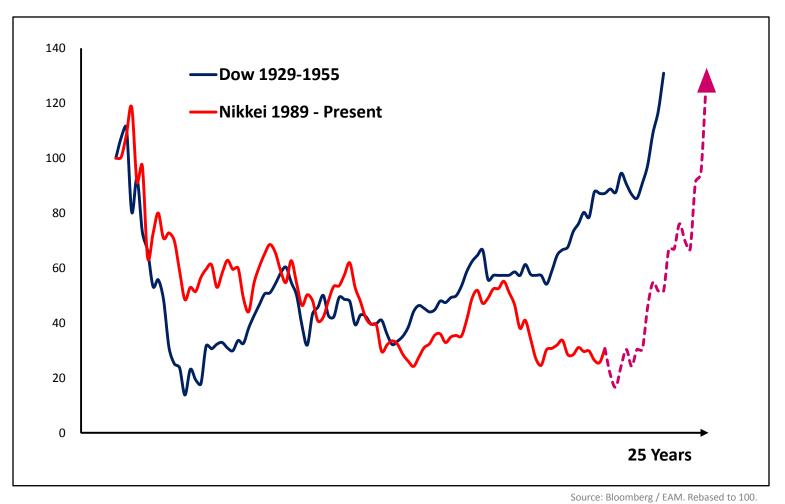
HYPERDEFLATION FIRST HYPERINFLATION LAST

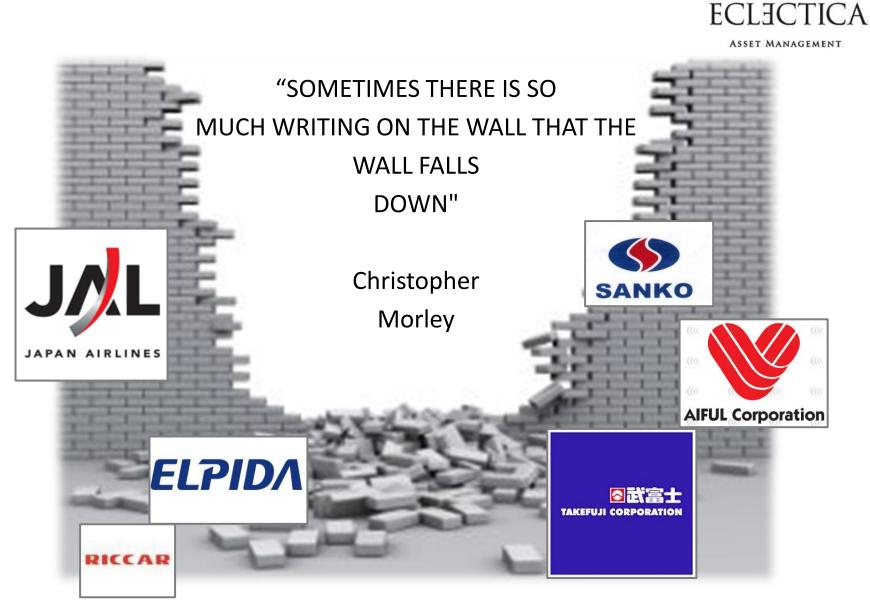




NIKKEI 40K THIS DECADE?

ONLY IF JAPAN HYPER-INFLATES





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