

# Structured Product Details

Name ELKS linked to Cummins, Inc. \$25.80 million **Issue Size Issue Price** \$10 6 Months Term Annualized Coupon 11.00% **Pricing Date** December 22, 2011 Issue Date December 28, 2011 Valuation Date June 20, 2012 Maturity Date June 25, 2012 Morgan Stanley Issuer CDS Rate 487.44 bps 0.79% Swap Rate Reference Asset Cummins, Inc.'s stock

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Initial Level	\$88.15
Conversion Price	\$88.15
Trigger Price	\$66.11
Dividend Rate	1.49%
Implied Volatility	42.10%
Delta <sup>1</sup>	0.37
Fair Price at Issue	\$9.52
Realized Return	11.67%
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# ELKS linked to Cummins, Inc.

# Description

Morgan Stanley issued \$25.80 million of ELKS linked to Cummins, Inc. on December 28, 2011 at \$10 per note.

These notes are Morgan Stanley-branded single observation reverse convertibles. Single observation reverse convertibles pay periodic interest coupons and at maturity convert into shares of the reference security if the price of the reference security at the notes' maturity is below the trigger price determined when the notes were issued.

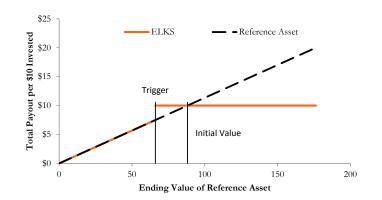
These 6-month notes pay monthly coupons at an annualized rate of 11.00%. In addition to the monthly coupons, on June 25, 2012 investors will receive the market value of 0.11 share of Cummins, Inc.'s stock if on June 20, 2012 Cummins, Inc.'s stock closes below \$66.11 (75% of Cummins, Inc.'s stock price on December 22, 2011). Otherwise, investors will receive the \$10 face value per note.

# Valuation

This Morgan Stanley single observation reverse convertible linked to Cummins, Inc.'s stock can be valued as a combination of a note from Morgan Stanley and a short European out-of-the-money cash-or-nothing put option, and a short European out-of-the-money put option on Cummins, Inc.'s stock. For reasonable valuation inputs this note was worth \$9.52 per \$10 when it was issued on December 28, 2011 because investors were effectively being paid only \$0.26 for giving Morgan Stanley options which were worth \$0.74.

There is no active secondary market for most structured products. Structured products, including this note, therefore are much less liquid than simple stocks, bonds, notes and mutual funds. Investors are likely to receive less than the structured product's estimated market value if they try to sell the structured product prior to maturity. Our valuations do not incorporate this relative lack of liquidity and therefore should be considered an upper bound on the value of the structured product.

### Payoff Curve at Maturity



The payoff diagram shows the final payoff of this note given Cummins, Inc.'s stock price (borizontal axis). For comparison, the dashed line shows the payoff if you invested in Cummins, Inc.'s stock directly.

### **Related Research**

#### **Research Papers:**

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- "Are Structured Products Suitable for Retail Investors?" December 2006.
- *"Structured Products in the Aftermath of Lehman Brothers,"* November 2009.
- "What TiVo and JP Morgan Teach Us about Reverse Convertibles," June 2010.

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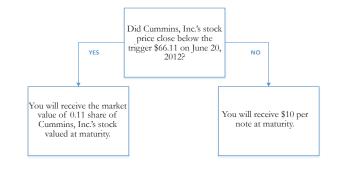
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### Principal Payback Table

Cummins, Inc.'s Stock	Note Payoff
\$0.00	\$0.00
\$8.82	\$1.00
\$17.63	\$2.00
\$26.45	\$3.00
\$35.26	\$4.00
\$44.08	\$5.00
\$52.89	\$6.00
\$61.71	\$7.00
\$70.52	\$10.00
\$79.34	\$10.00
\$88.15	\$10.00
\$96.97	\$10.00
\$105.78	\$10.00
\$114.60	\$10.00
\$123.41	\$10.00
\$132.23	\$10.00

#### Maturity Payoff Diagram



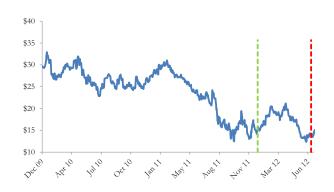
The contingent payoffs of this ELKS.

## Analysis

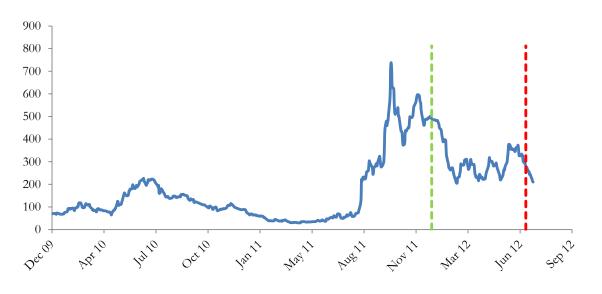
This single observation reverse convertible's 11.00% coupon rate is higher than the yield Morgan Stanley paid on its straight debt but, in addition to Morgan Stanley's credit risk, investors bear the risk that they will receive shares of Cummins, Inc.'s stock when those shares are worth substantially less than the face value of the note at maturity.

Investors purchasing these reverse convertibles effectively sell put options to Morgan Stanley and post the note's issue price as collateral to secure satisfaction of the investors' obligations under the option contracts. Morgan Stanley pays investors a "coupon" that is part payment for the put options and part interest on the investors' posted collateral. This reverse convertible is fairly priced if and only if the difference between the reverse convertible's "coupon rate" and interest paid on Morgan Stanley's straight debt equals the value of the put option investors are giving to Morgan Stanley. Whether this reverse convertible is suitable or not is identically equivalent to whether selling put options on the reference stock at the option premium being paid by Morgan Stanley was suitable for the investor.

#### Morgan Stanley's Stock Price

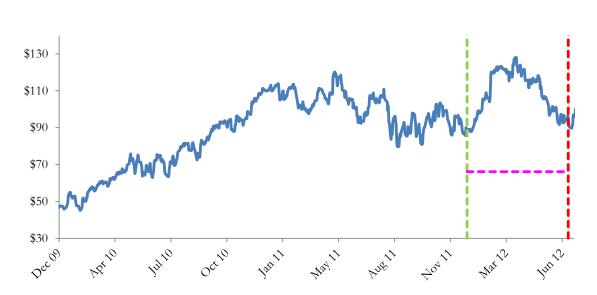


The graph above shows the adjusted closing price of the issuer Morgan Stanley for the past several years. The stock price of the issuer is an indication of the financial strength of Morgan Stanley. The adjusted price shown above incorporates any stock split, reverse stock split, etc.



Credit default swap (CDS) rates are the market price that investors require to bear credit risk of an issuer such as Morgan Stanley. CDS rates are usually given in basis points (bps). One basis point equals 0.01%. Higher CDS rates reflect higher perceived credit risk, higher required yields, and therefore lower market value of Morgan Stanley's debt, including outstanding ELKS. Fluctuations in Morgan Stanley's CDS rate impact the market value of the notes in the secondary market.

#### Cummins, Inc.'s Stock Price

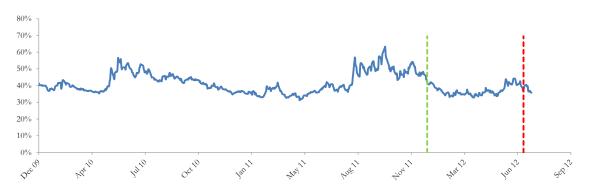


The graph above shows the historical levels of Cummins, Inc.'s stock for the past several years. The final payoff of this note is determined by Cummins, Inc.'s stock price at maturity. Higher fluctuations in Cummins, Inc.'s stock price correspond to a greater uncertainty in the final payout of this ELKS.

#### **Realized Payoff**

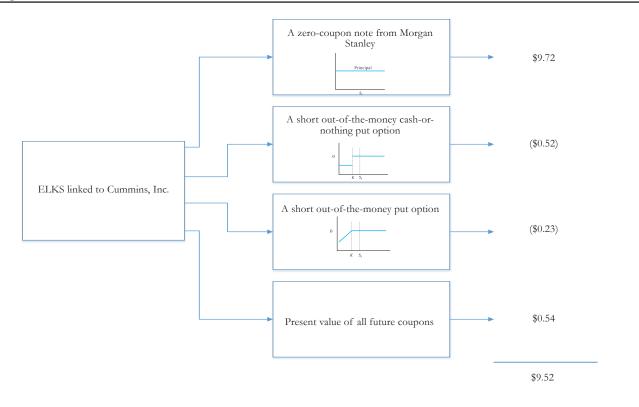
This note matured on June 25, 2012 and investors received \$10.00 per note.

### Reference Asset Cummins, Inc.'s Stock's Implied Volatility



The annualized implied volatility of Cummins, Inc.'s stock on December 22, 2011 was 42.10%, meaning that options contracts on Cummins, Inc.'s stock were trading at prices that reflect an expected annual volatility of 42.10%. The higher the implied volatility, the larger the expected fluctuations of Cummins, Inc.'s stock price and of the Note's market value during the life of the Notes.

#### Decomposition of this ELKS



This note can be decomposed into different components, and each component can be valued separately. The chart above shows the value of each component of this ELKS.

- Delta measures the sensitivity of the price of the note to the Cummins, Inc.'s stock price on December 22, 2011.
  CDS rates can be considered a measure of the probability that an issuer will default over a certain period of time and the likely loss given a default. The lower the CDS rate, the lower the default probability. CDS rate is given in basis points (1 basis point equals 0.01%), and is considered as a market premium, on top of the risk-free rate, that investors require to insure against a potential default.
  Fair price evaluation is based on the Black-Scholes model of the Cummins, Inc.'s stock on December 22, 2011.
  Calculated payout at maturity is only an approximation, and may differ from actual payouts at maturity.
  Our evaluation does not include any transaction fees, broker commissions, or liquidity discounts on the notes.

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