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FUND MANAGERS

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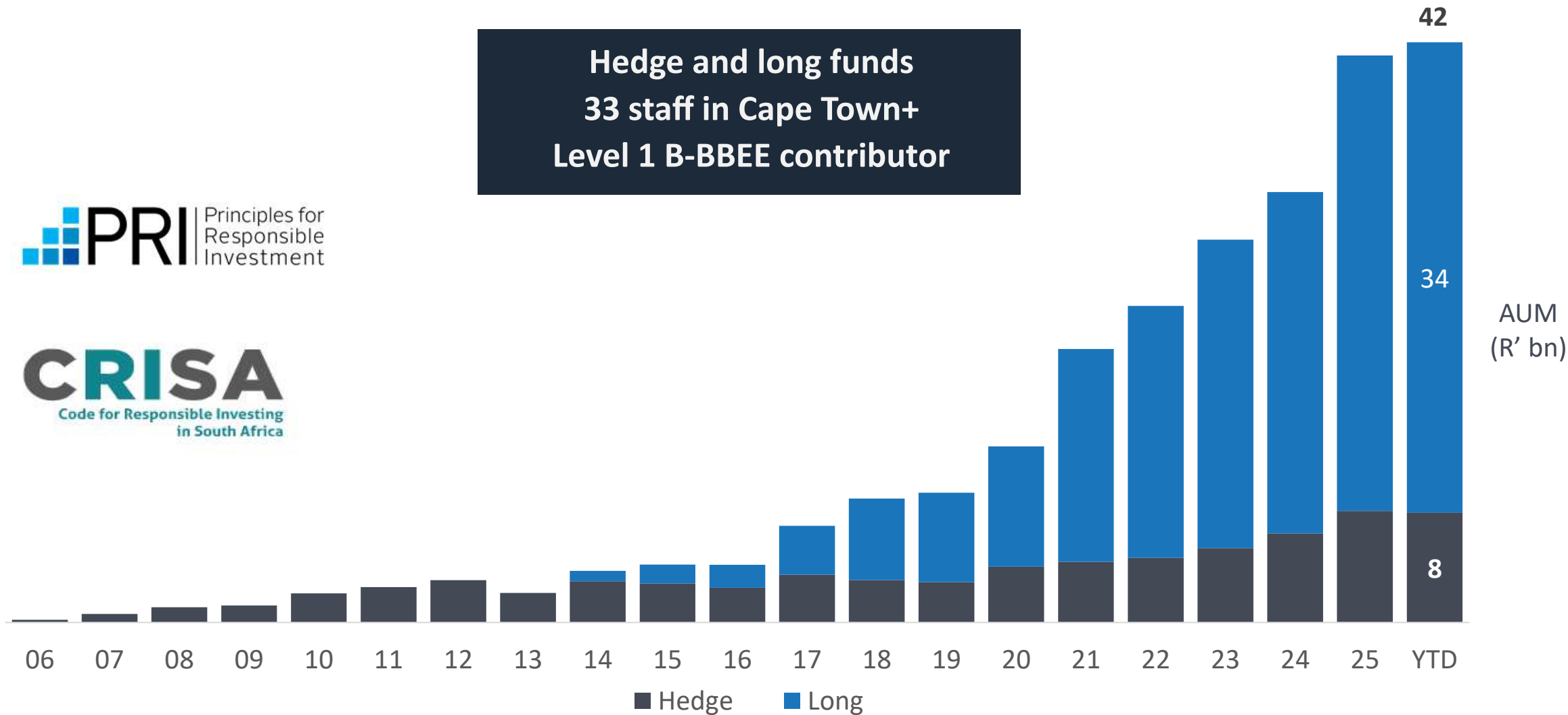
Investing when the ground is shifting

Think Tank 2025

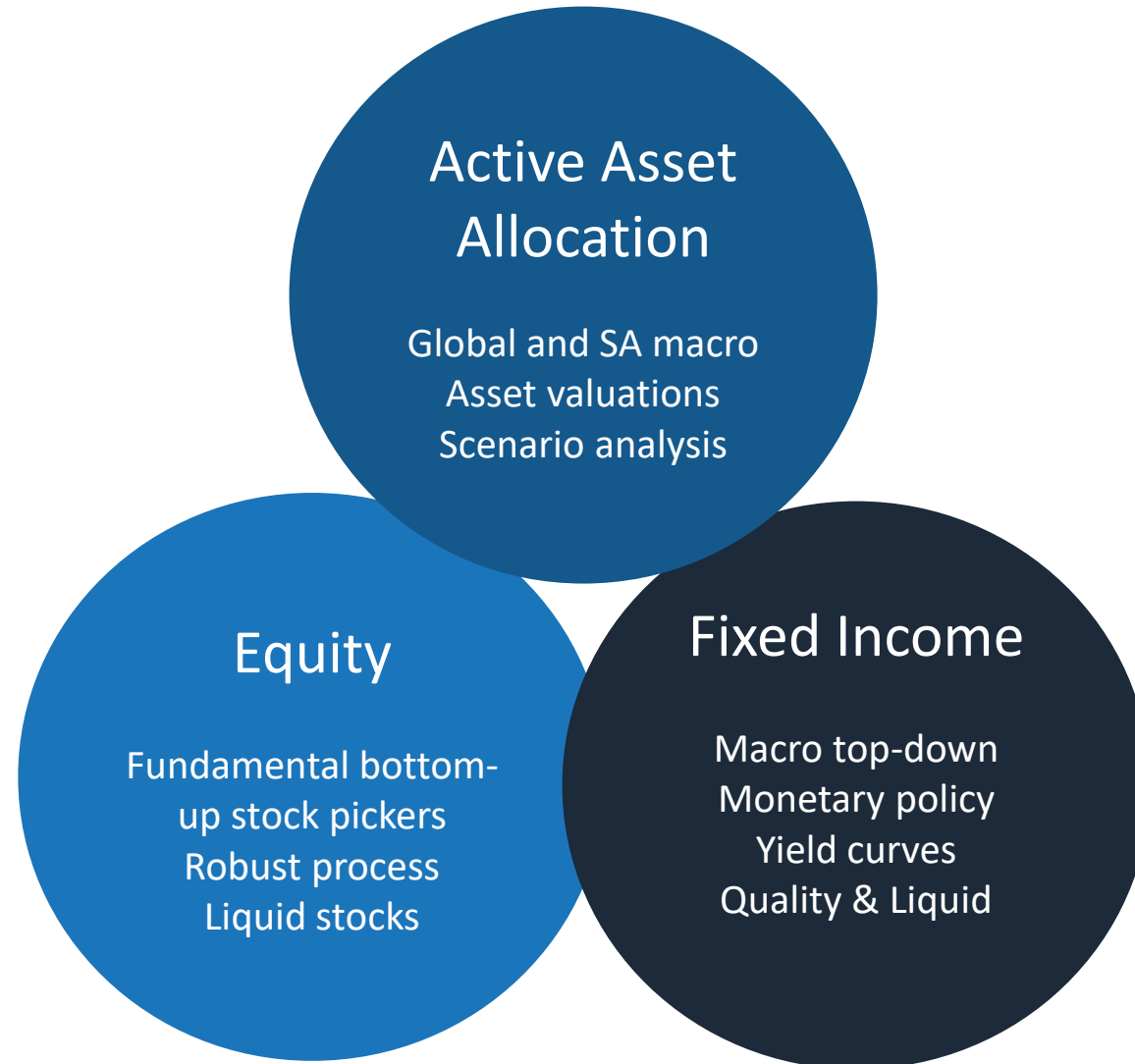
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Hedge and long funds
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- Active
- Pragmatic
- Liquid markets
- Absolute Return Focus



Matrix Fund Managers



Unit Trust	ASISA Category
Matrix SCI Stable Income Fund	SA Income (IB-ST)
Matrix SCI Enhanced Income Fund	SA MA – Income
Matrix SCI Bond Fund	SA Bonds (IB-VT)
Amplify SCI Defensive Balanced Fund*	SA MA – Low Equity
Amplify SCI Absolute Fund*	SA MA – Med Equity
Matrix SCI Balanced Fund	SA MA – High Equity
Matrix SCI Fixed Income RHF / Amplify SCI Income Plus RHF*	SA RHF – Fixed Income
Matrix Global FI Hedge SP (Cayman)**	Global Fixed Income
Matrix SCI SA Equity Fund	SA Equity



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1. Tectonic events that changed the investment landscape

2. Managing your behavioural biases when earthquakes hit

3. When to run and when to stand your ground

4. Building portfolios that move with the shifts

LONG ONLY

Active Asset Allocation

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- Protect downside
- Participate in upside

HEDGE FUNDS

- Can profit when prices fall
- Uncorrelated returns add major diversification benefits

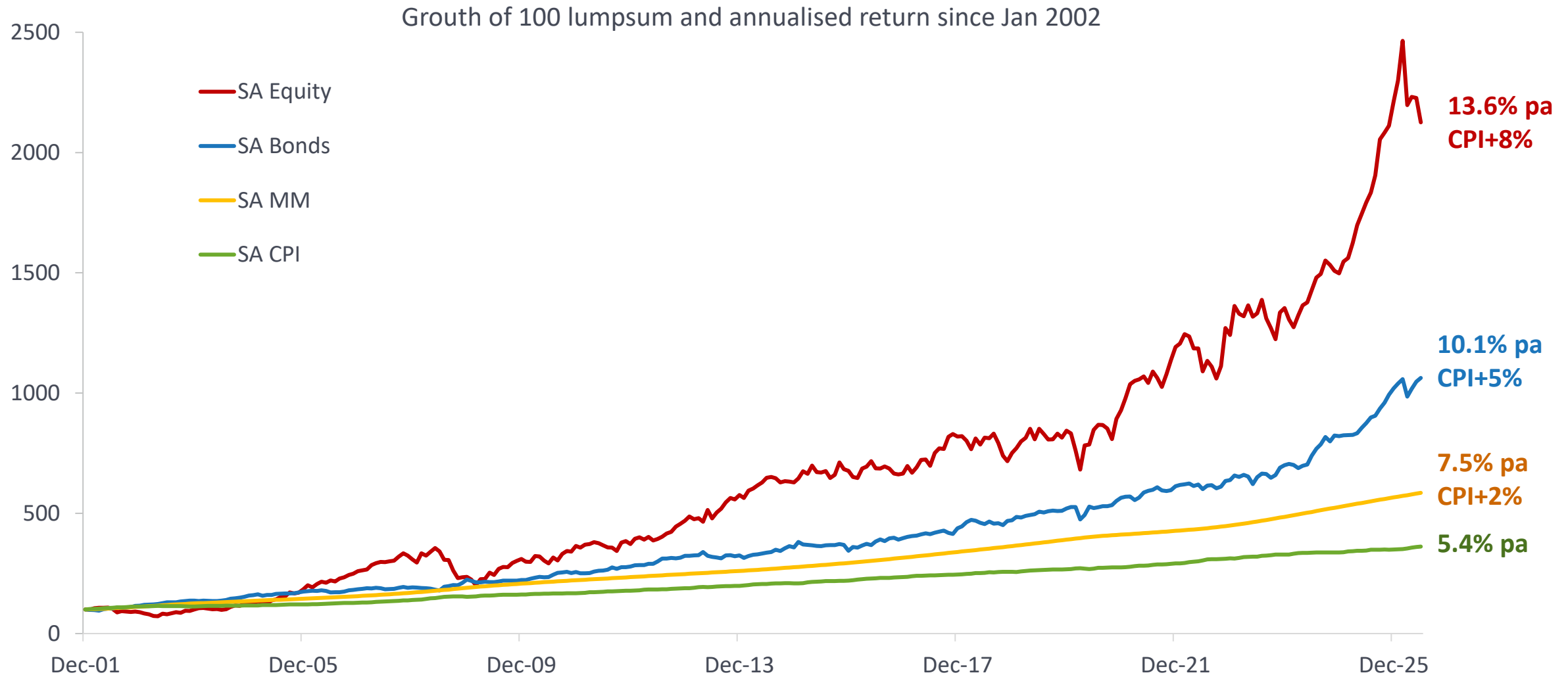
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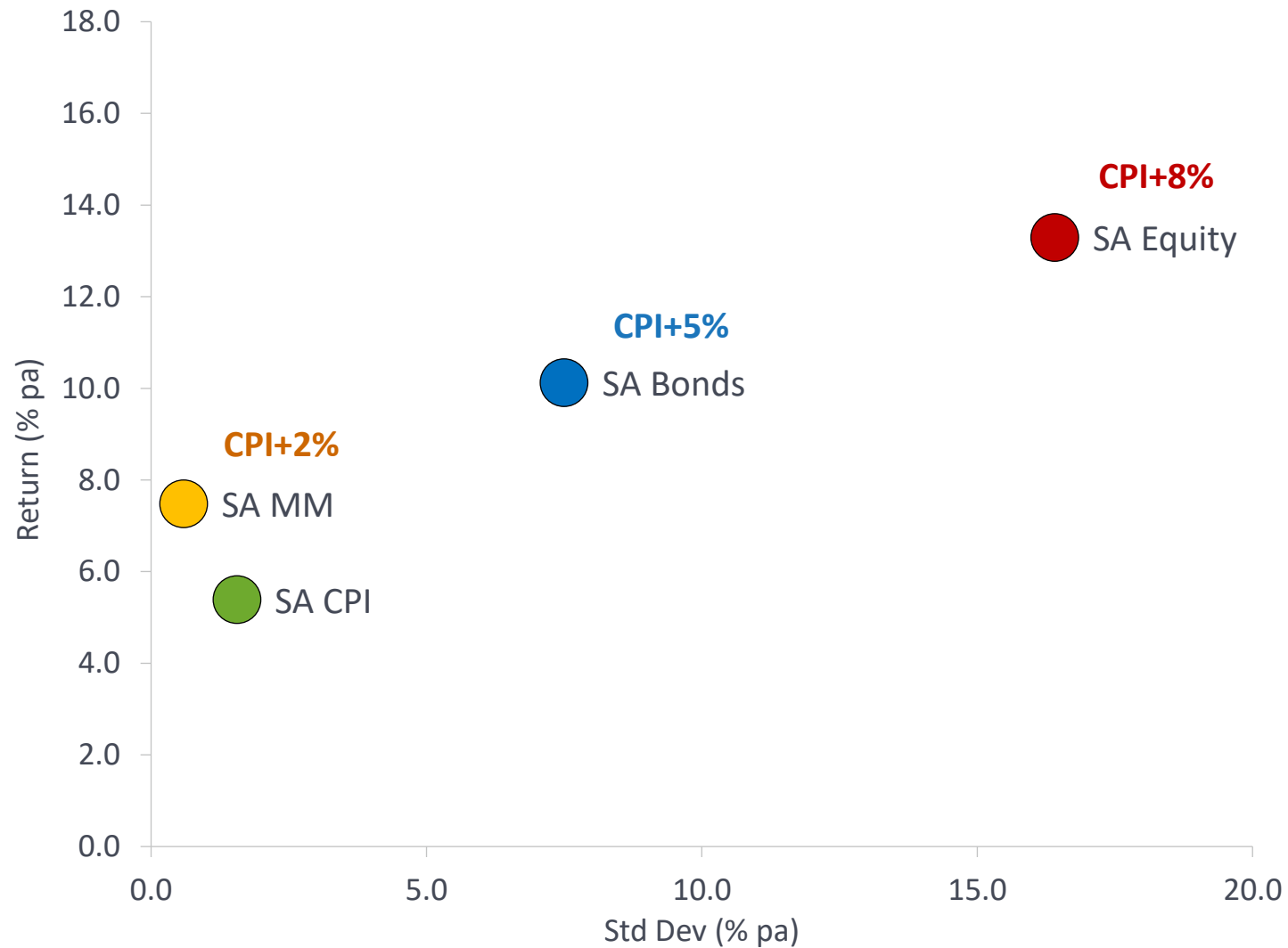
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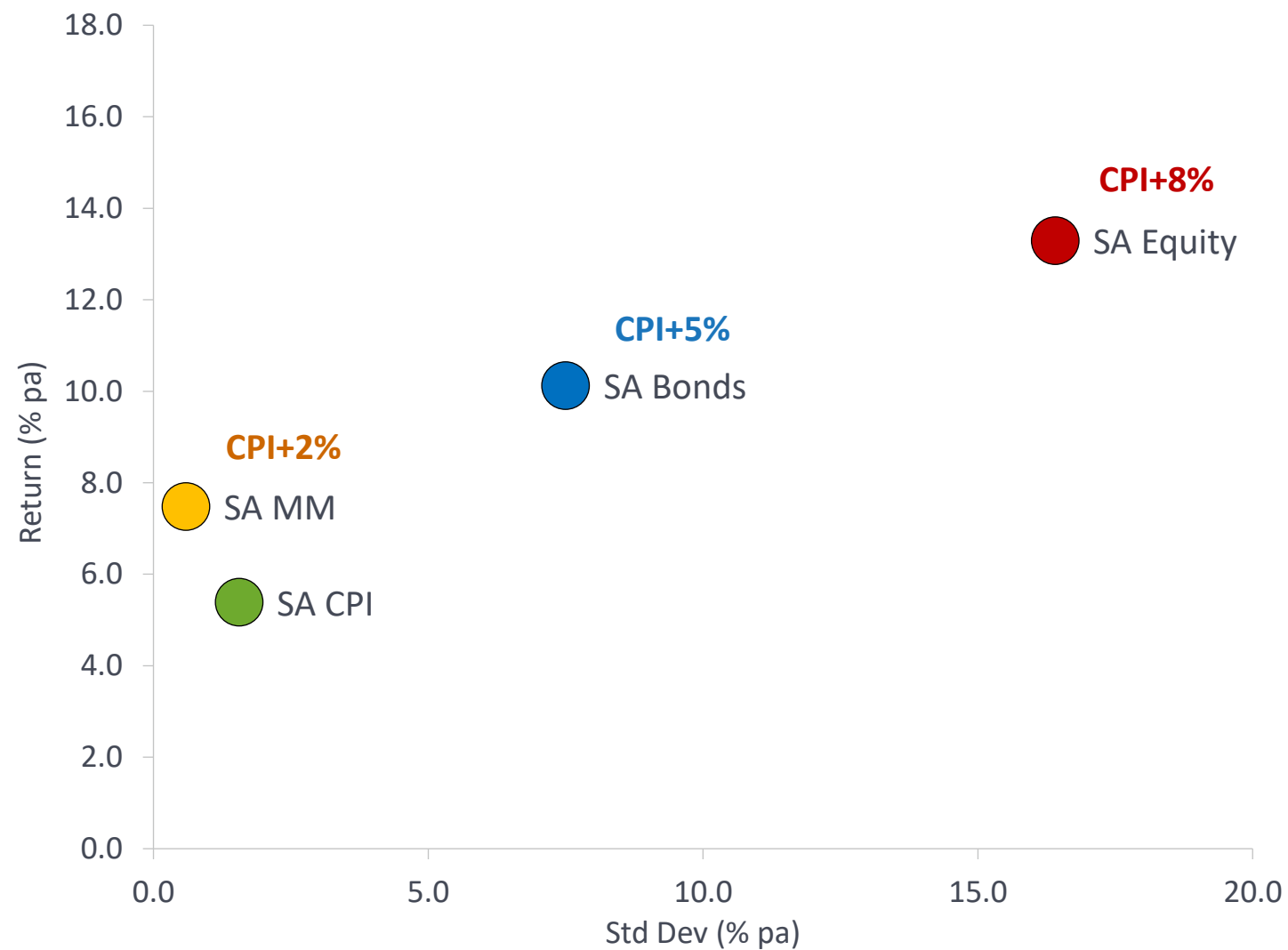
Domestic events





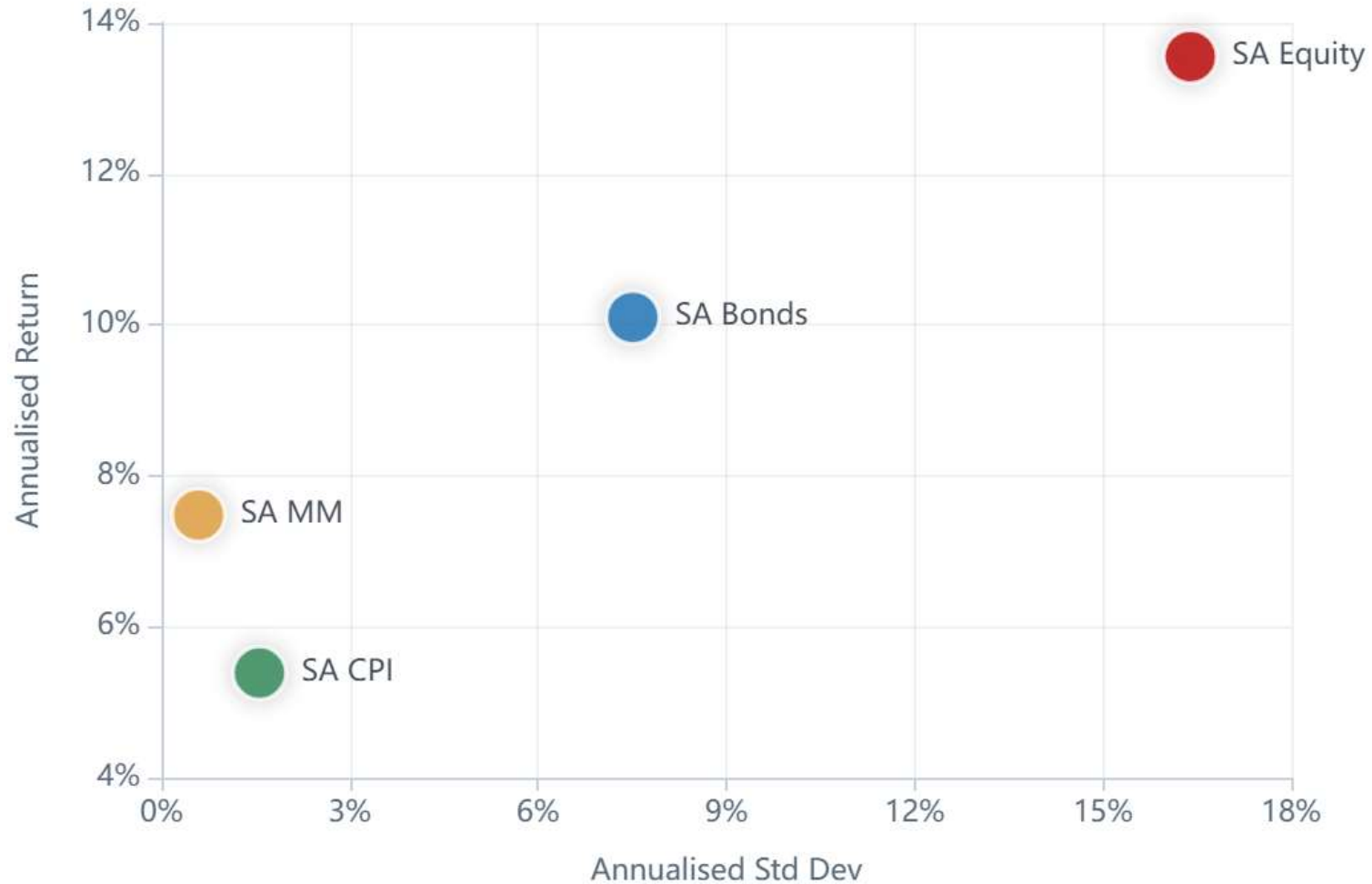


Past performance



Source: Matrix Fund Managers, Bloomberg, Monthly market data since January 2002, SA Equity is FTSE/JSE Top40 TR, SA Bonds is FTSE/JSE All Bond TR, SA MM is STeFI Composite, SA CPI is headline inflation

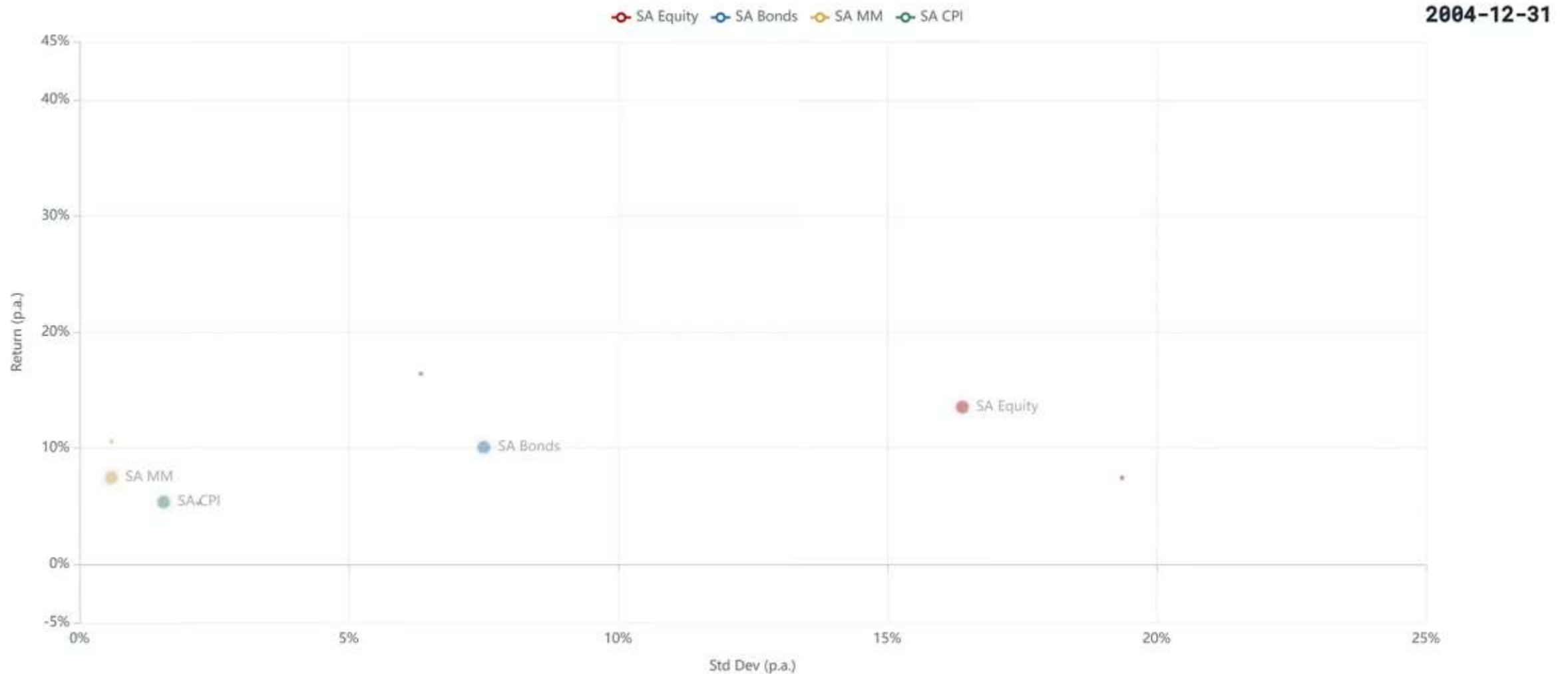
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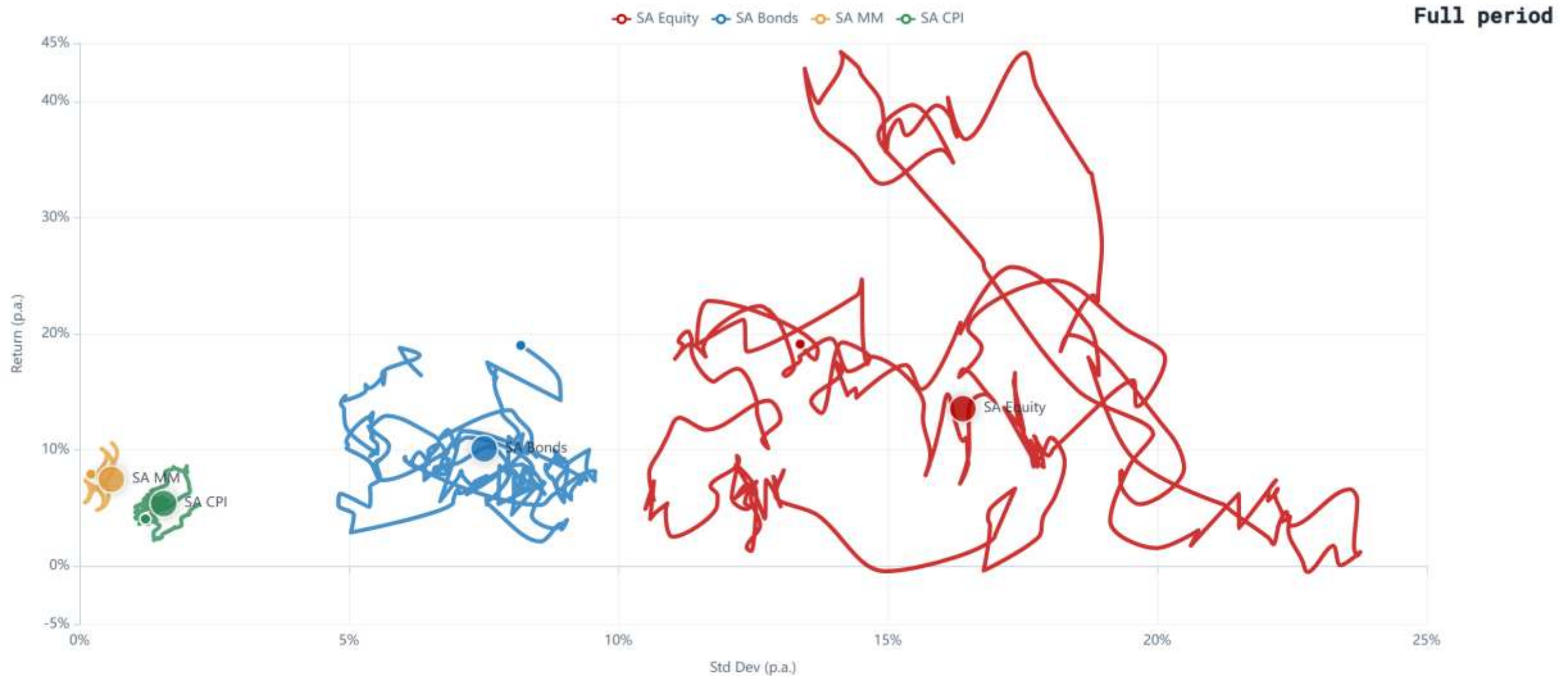
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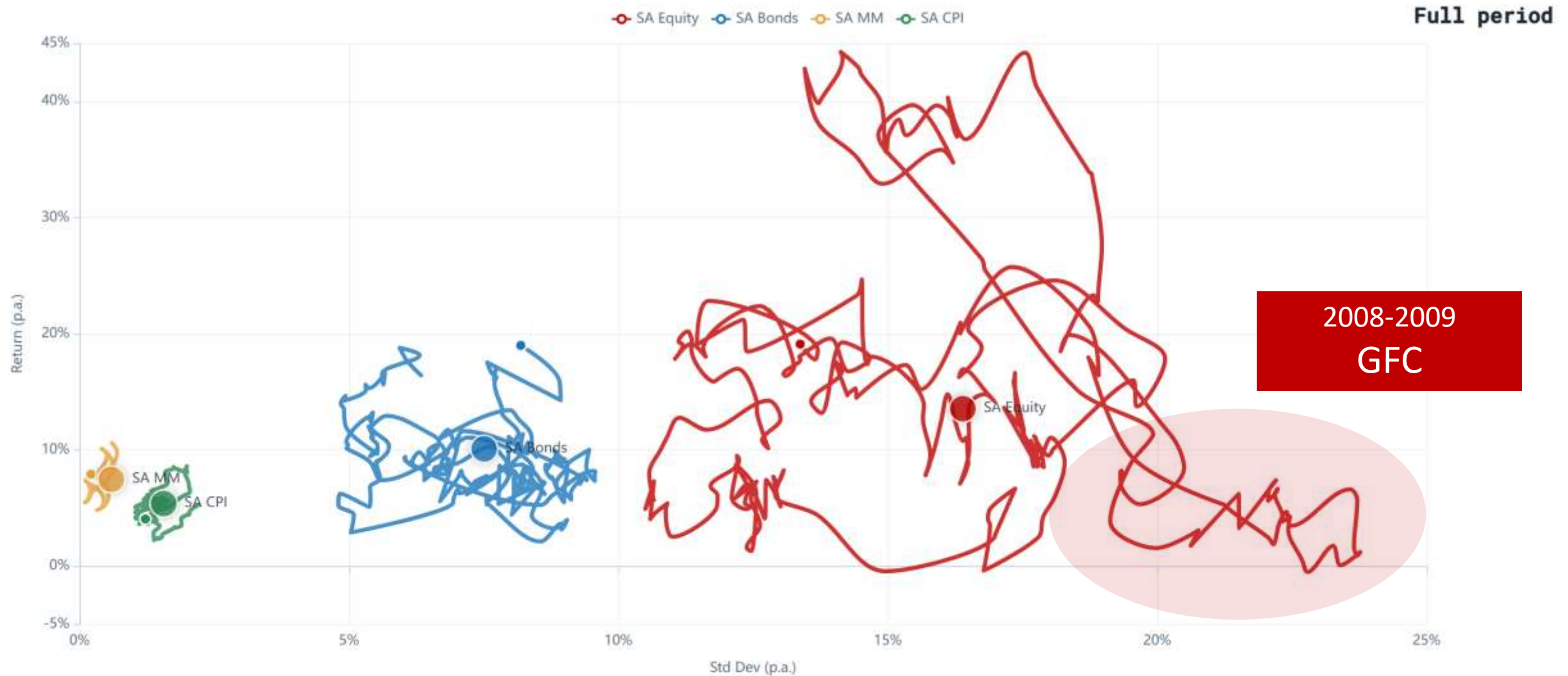
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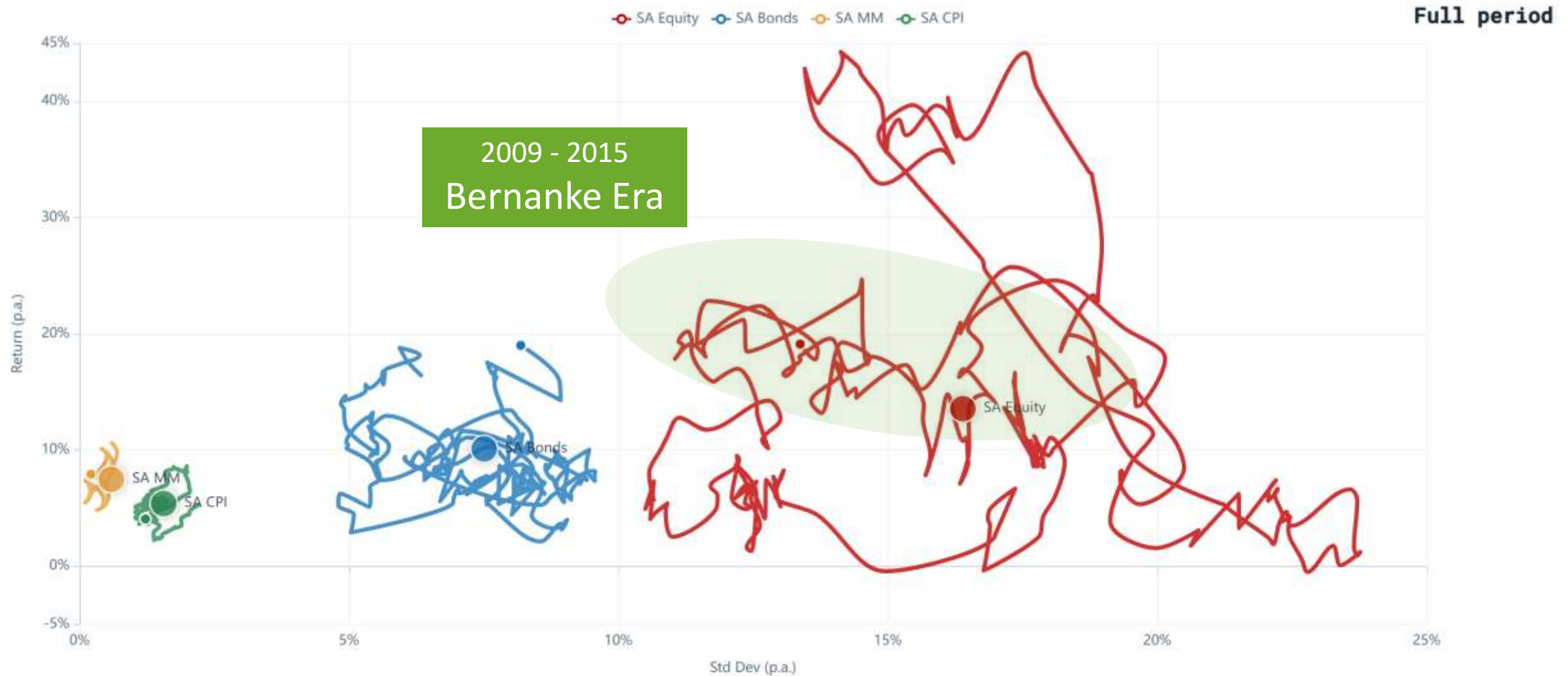
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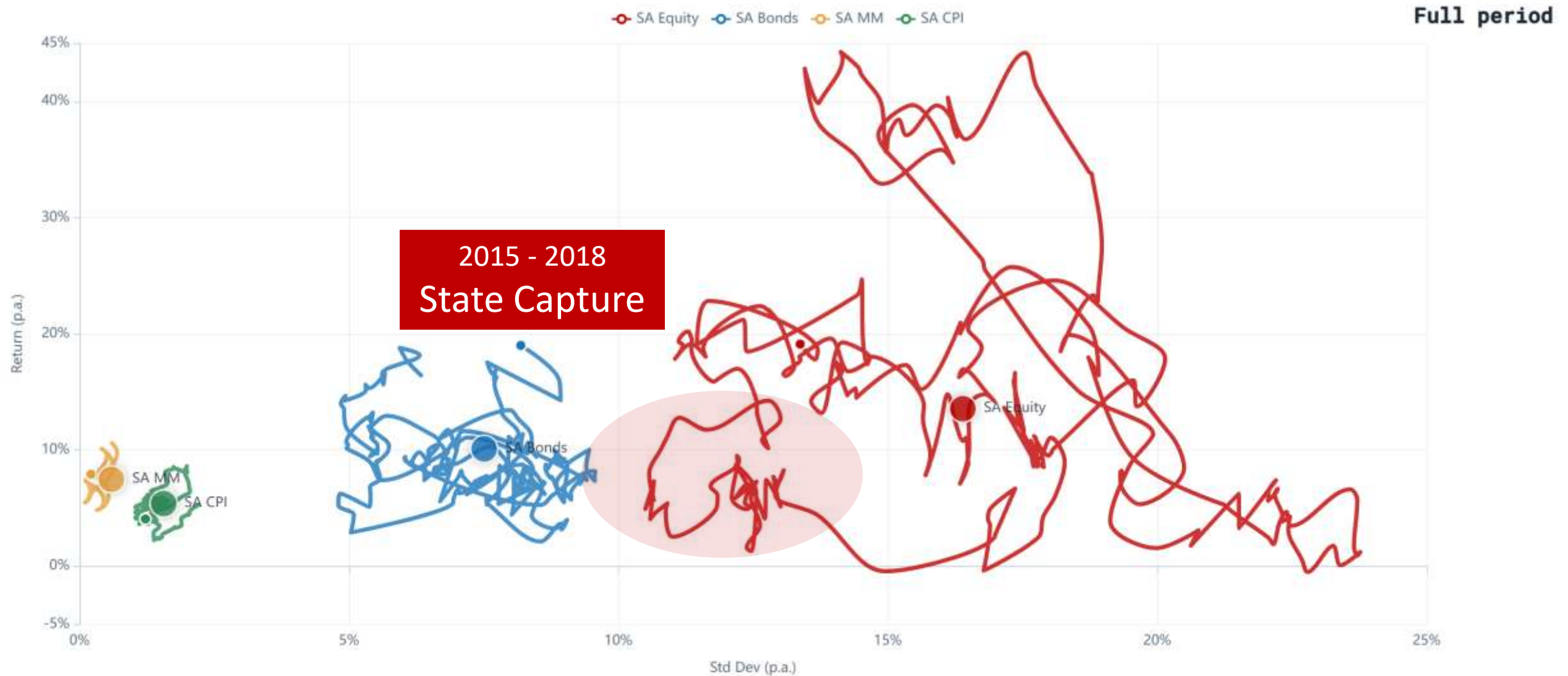
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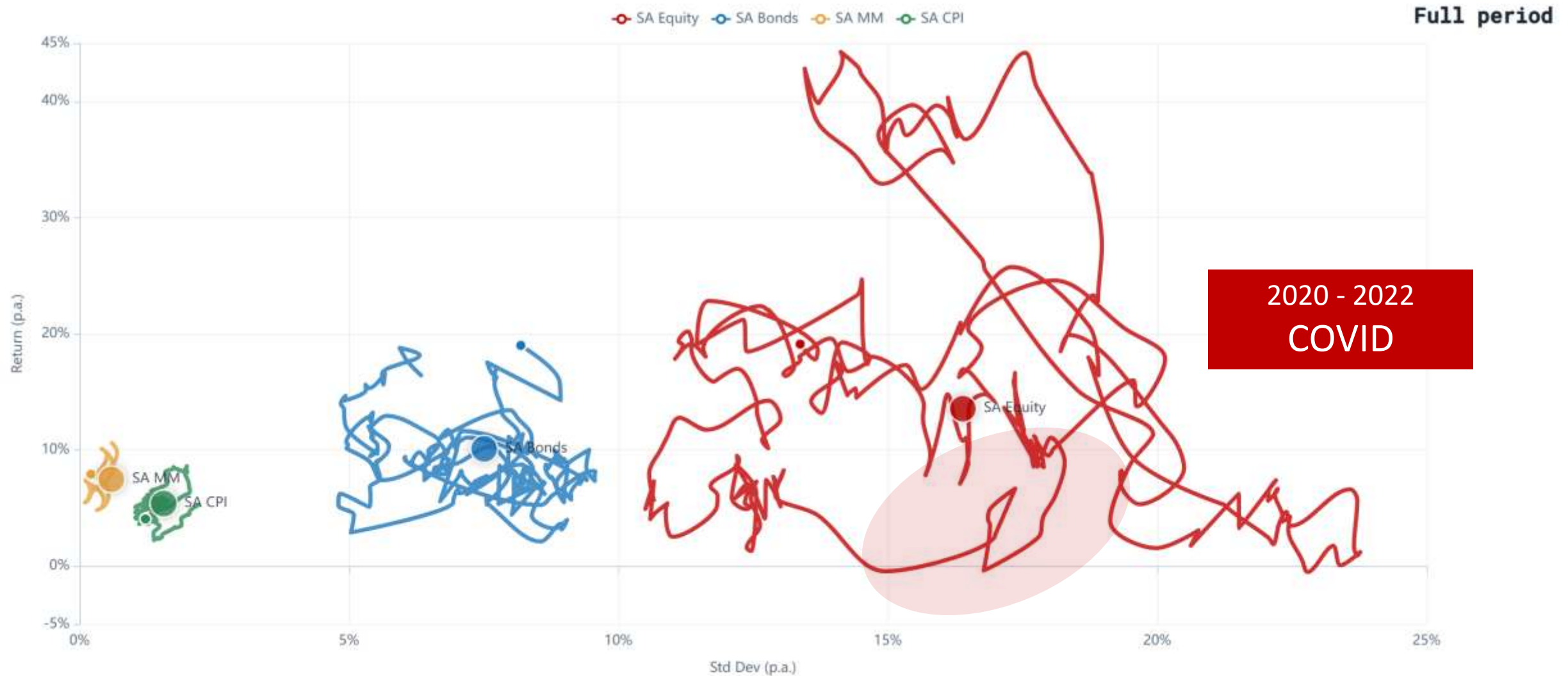
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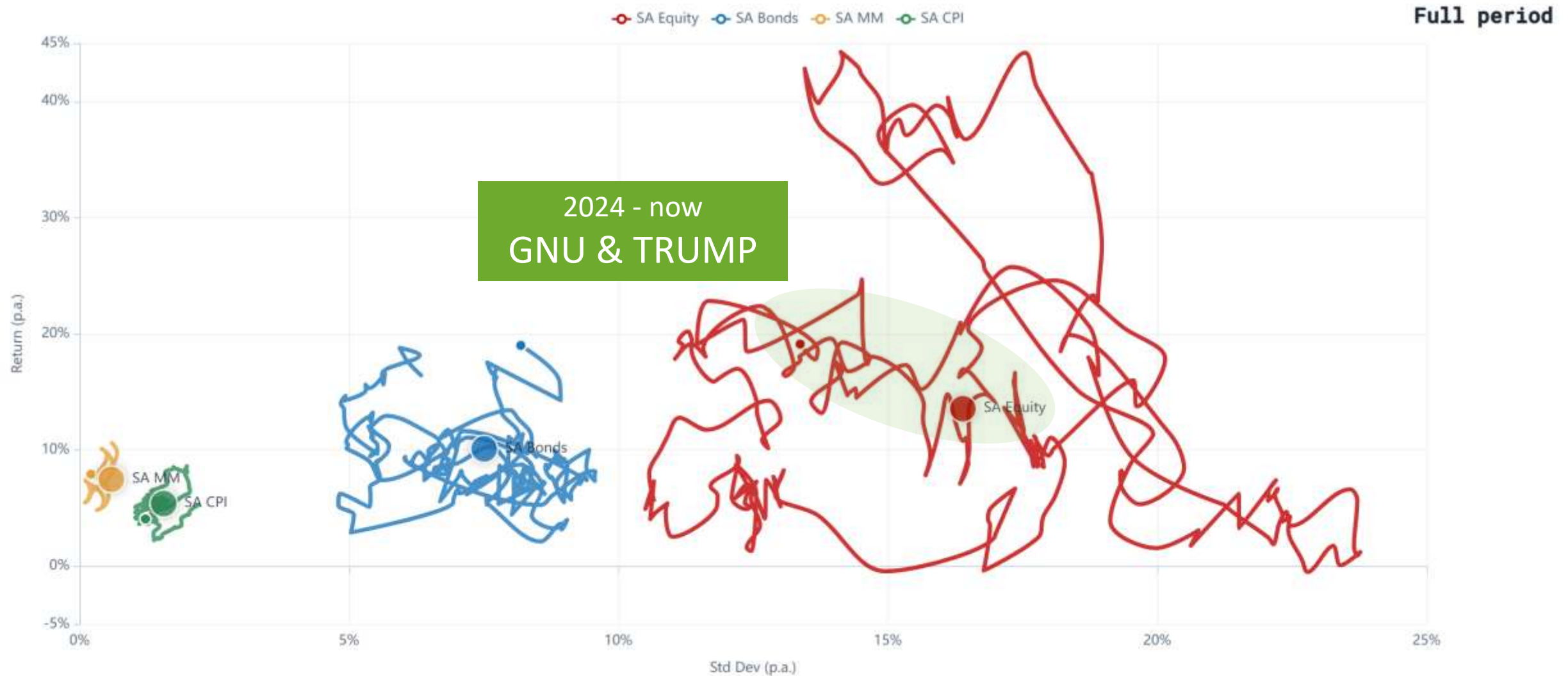
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2. Managing your behavioural biases



Managing your behavioural biases

- α : **Alpha** is the return from Asset Managers
- β : **Beta** is the return from the Market
- γ : **Gamma** is the return from Advice (DFMs and Advisors)

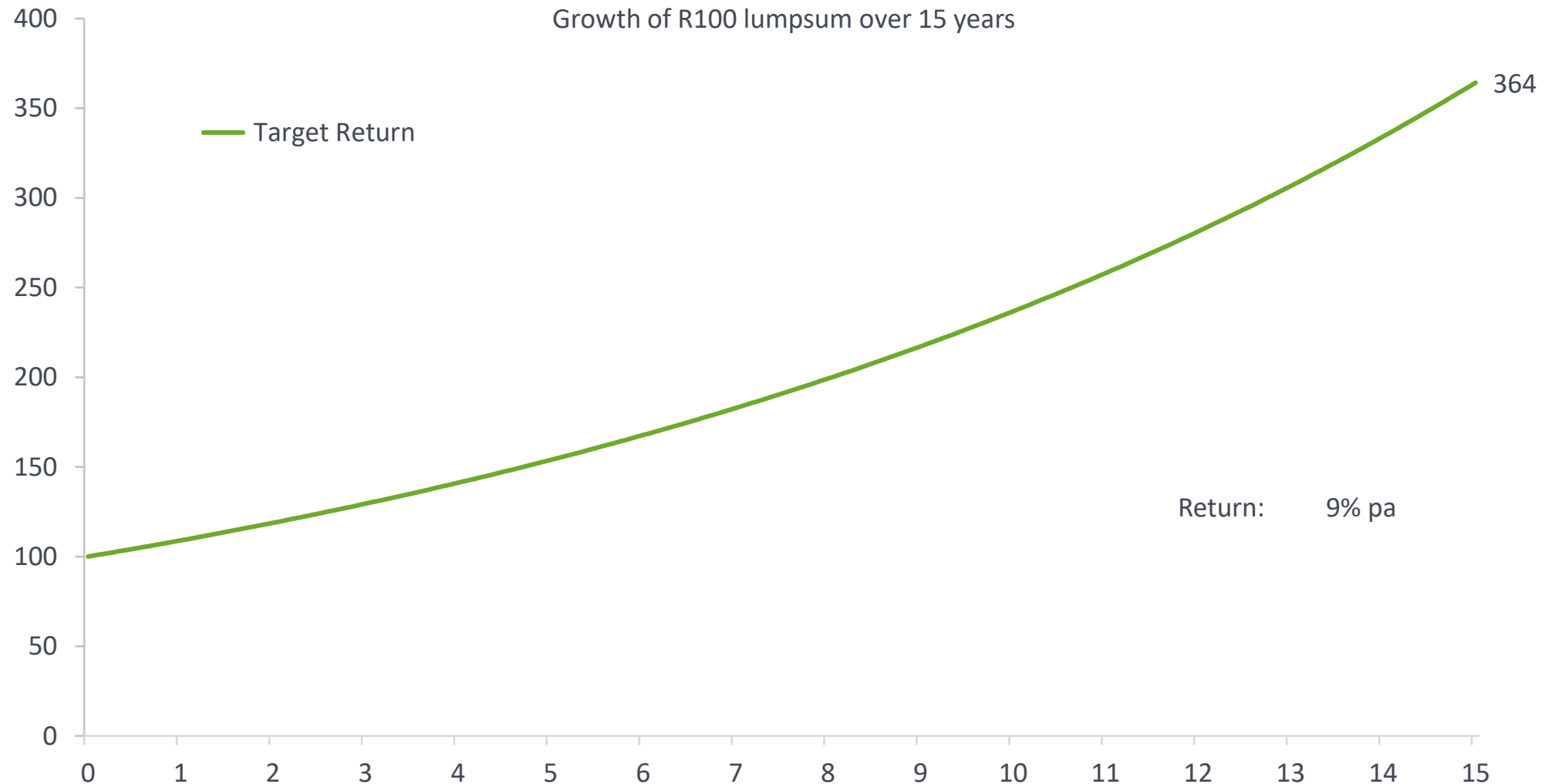
Robust Solutions



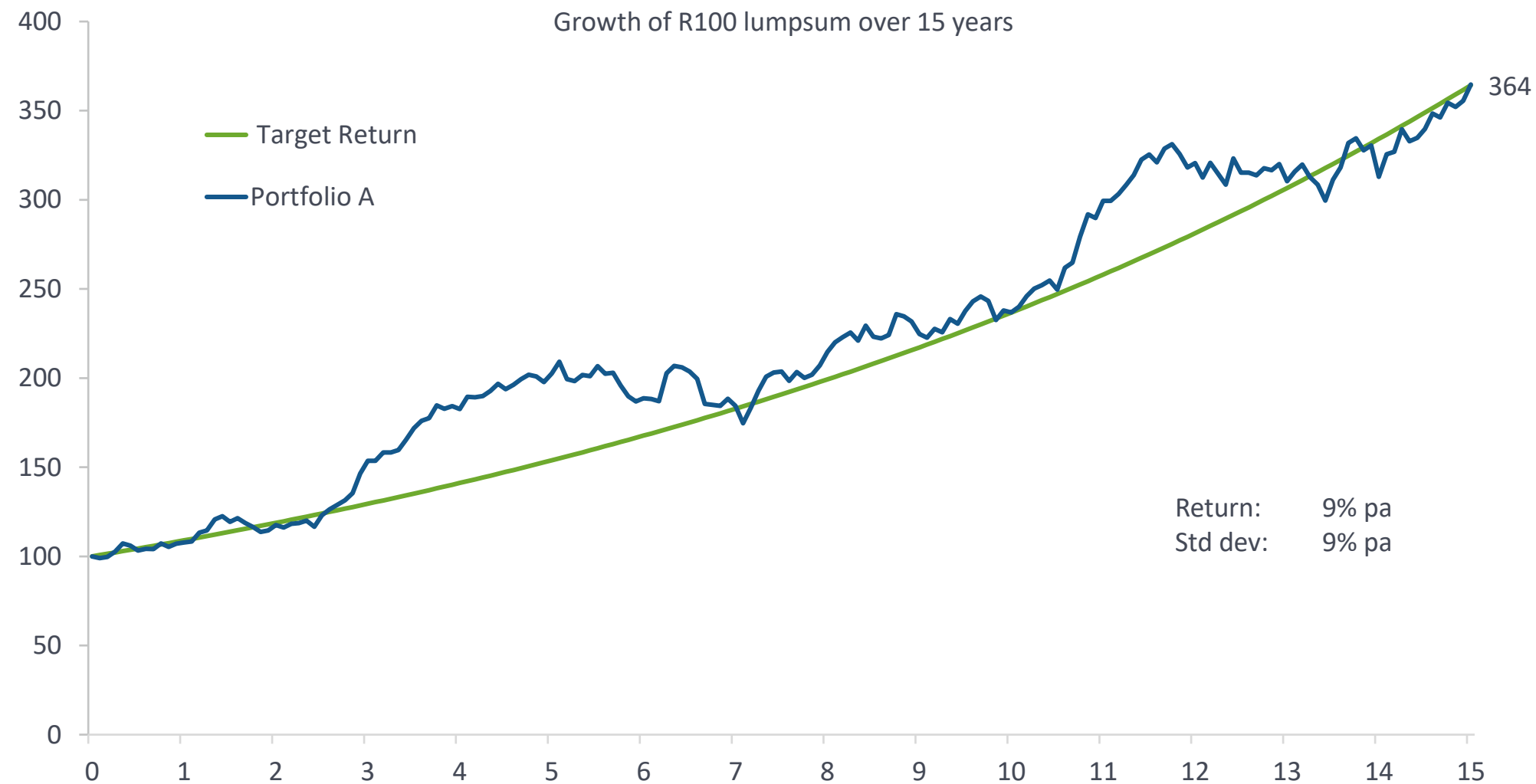
Behavioural Coaching



Sequence risk

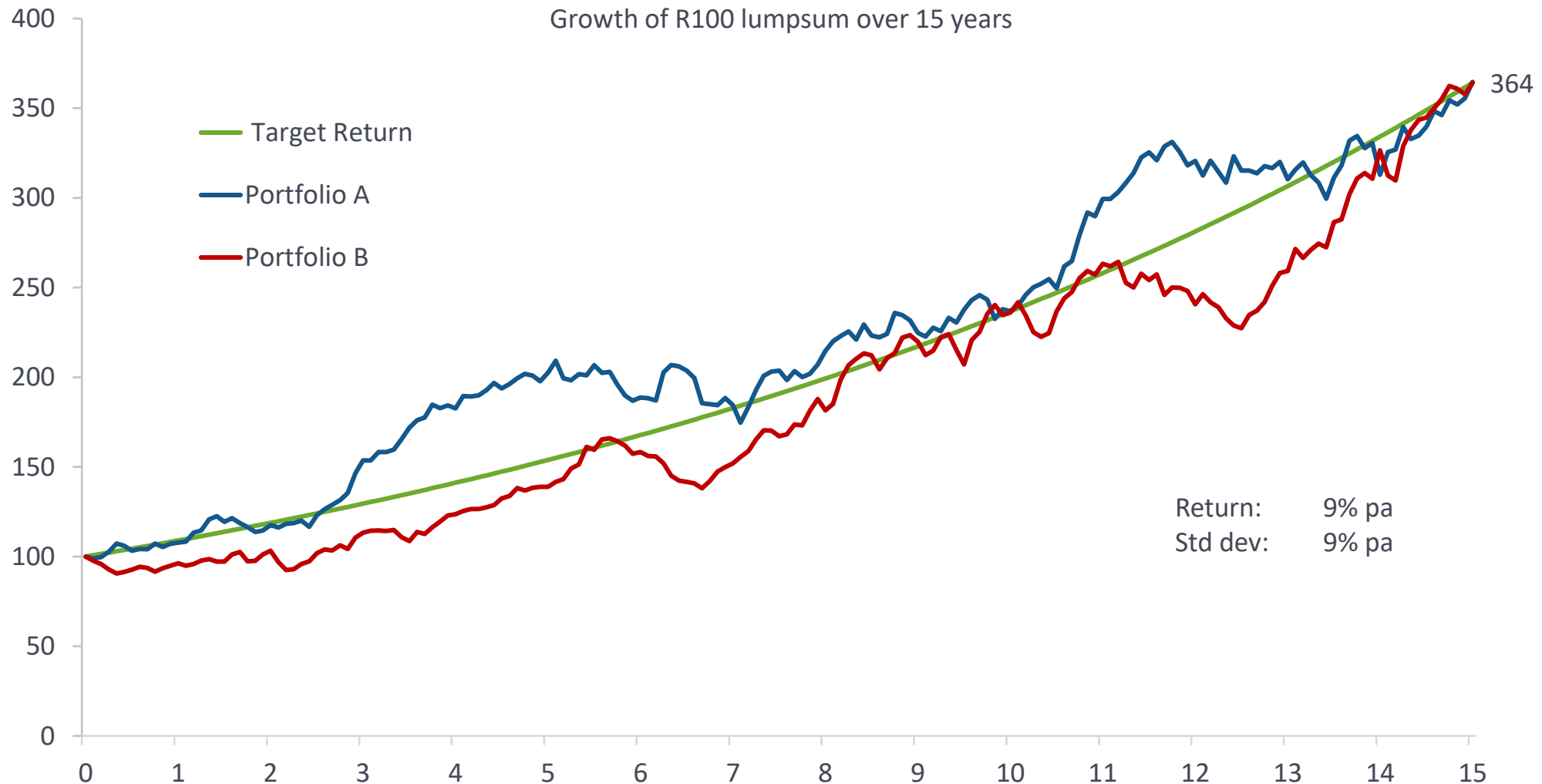


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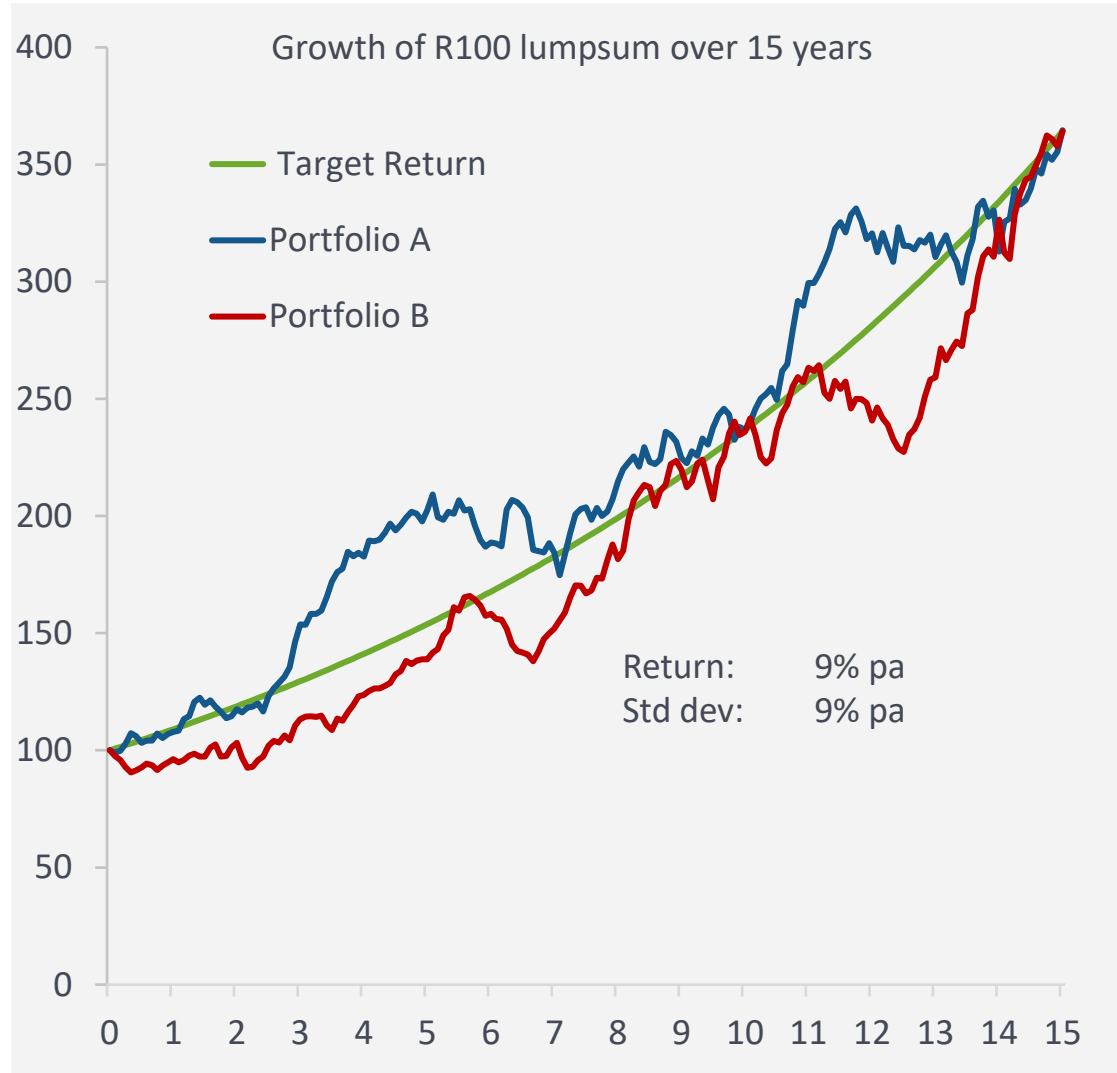
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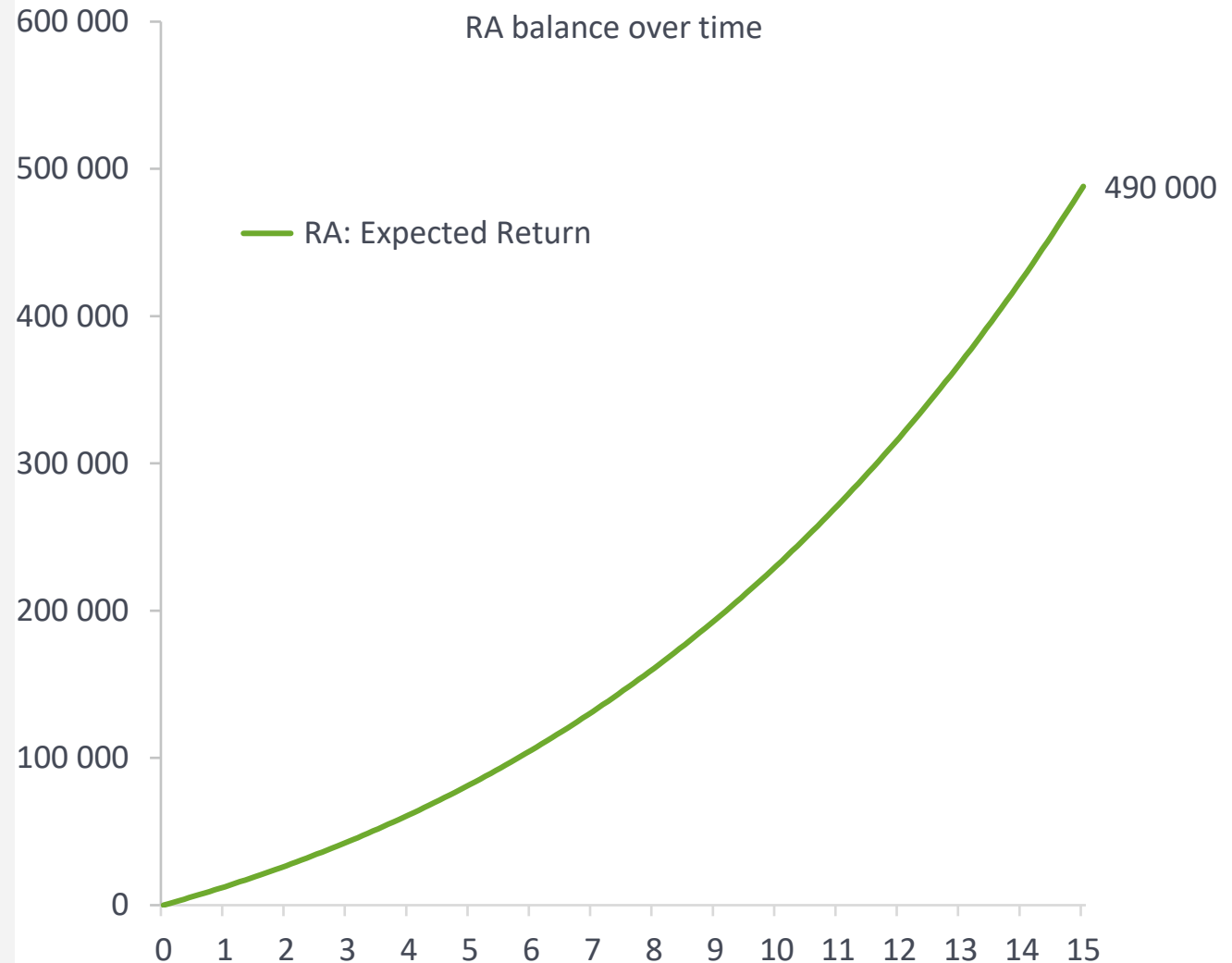
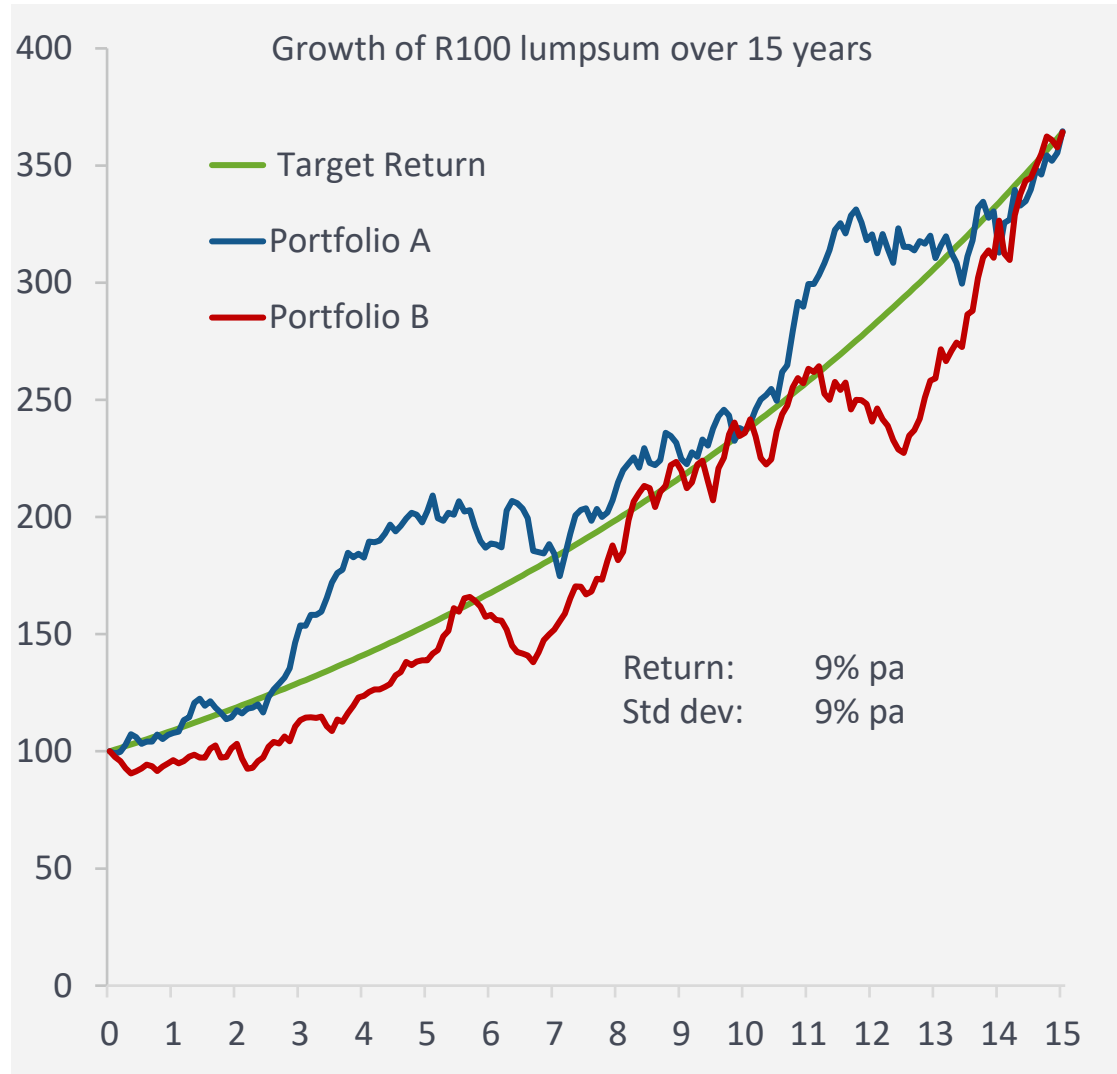
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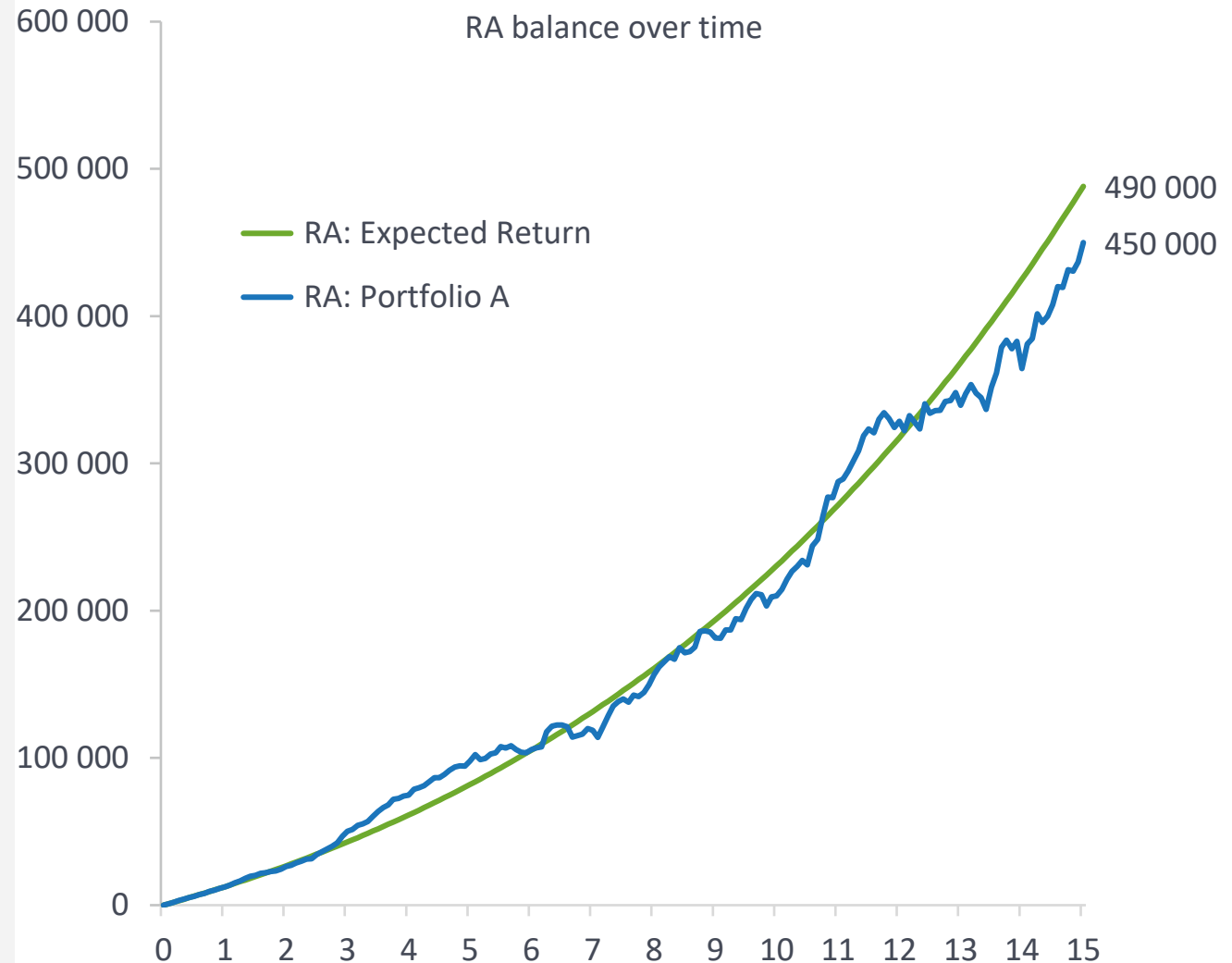
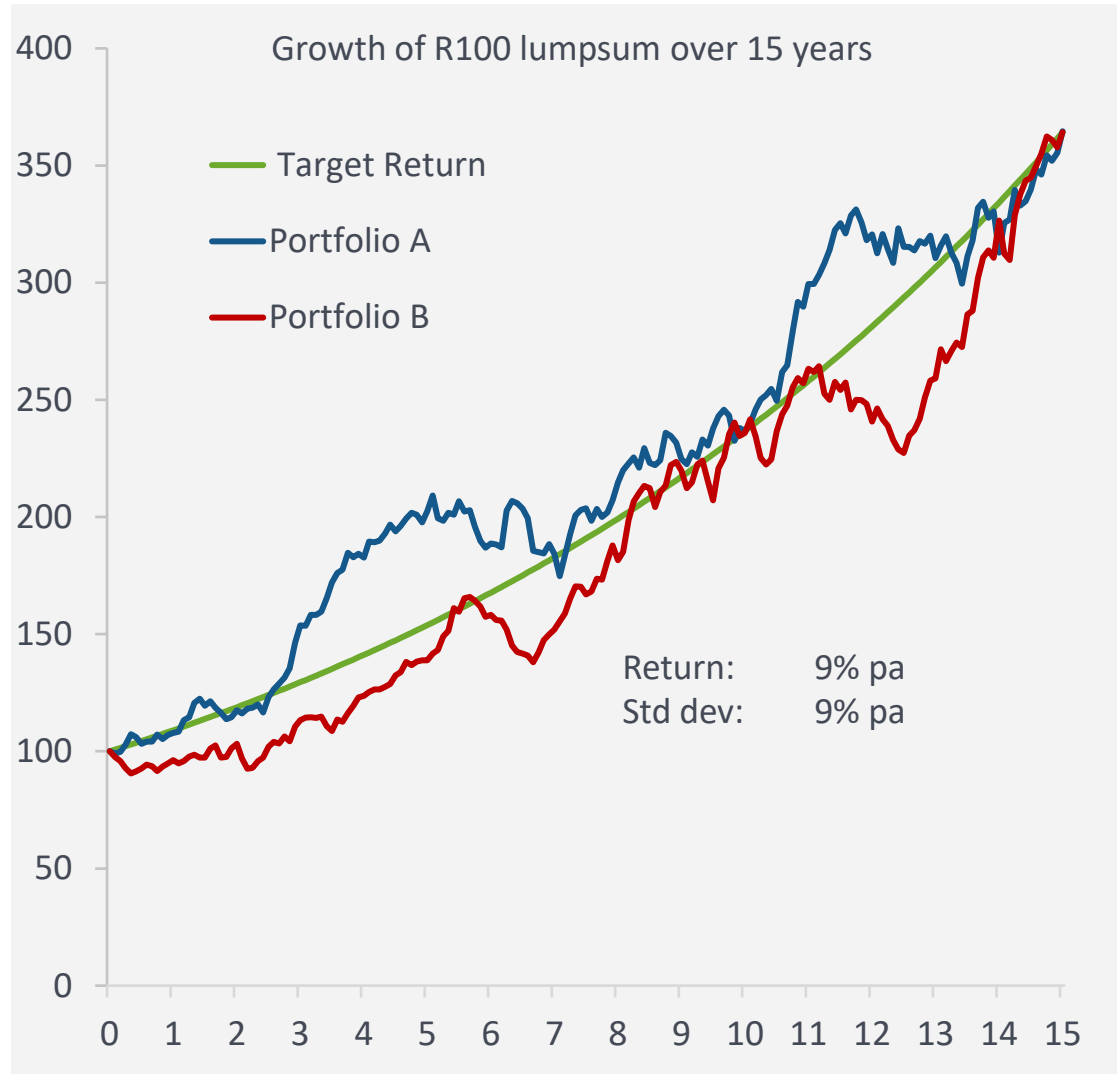
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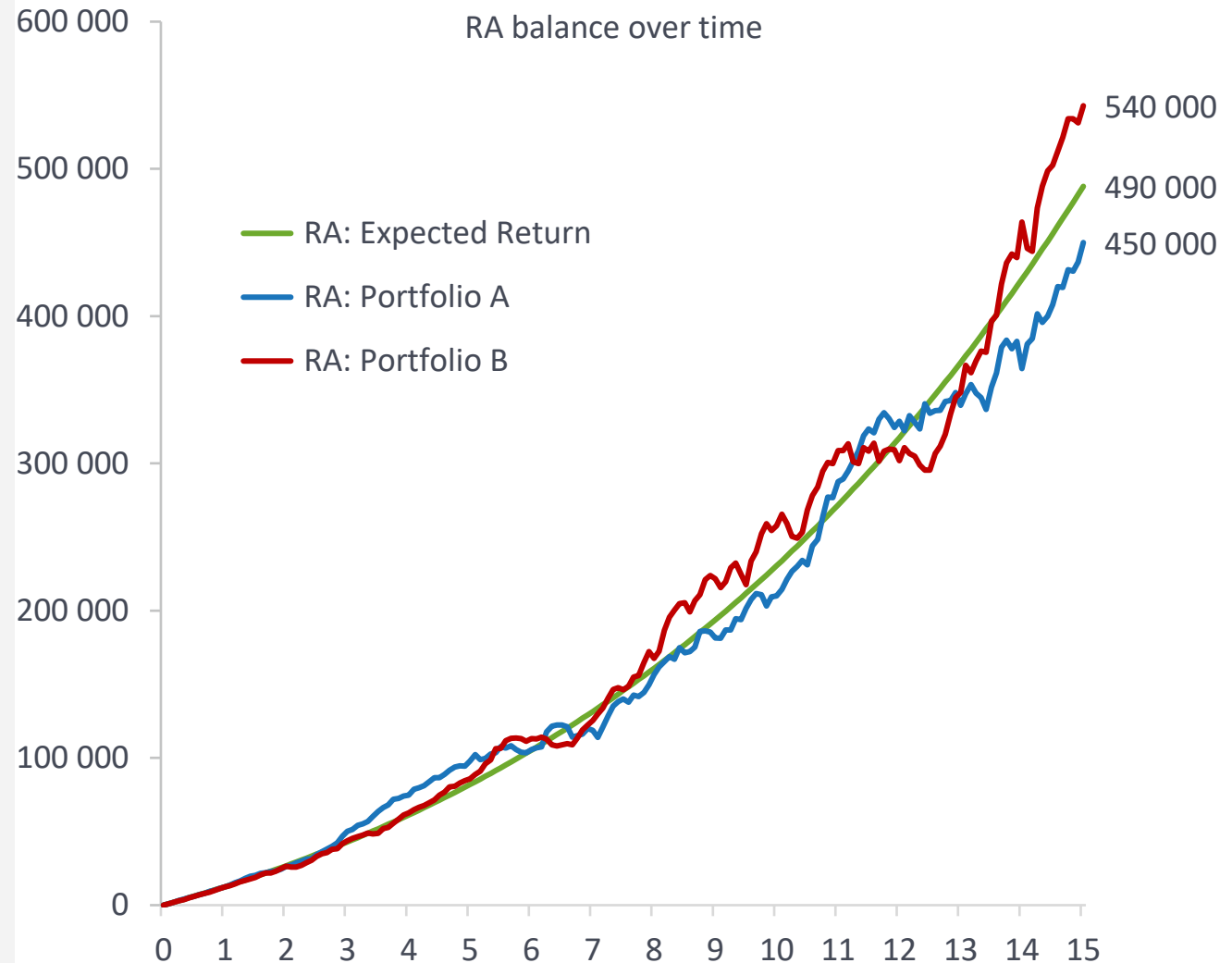
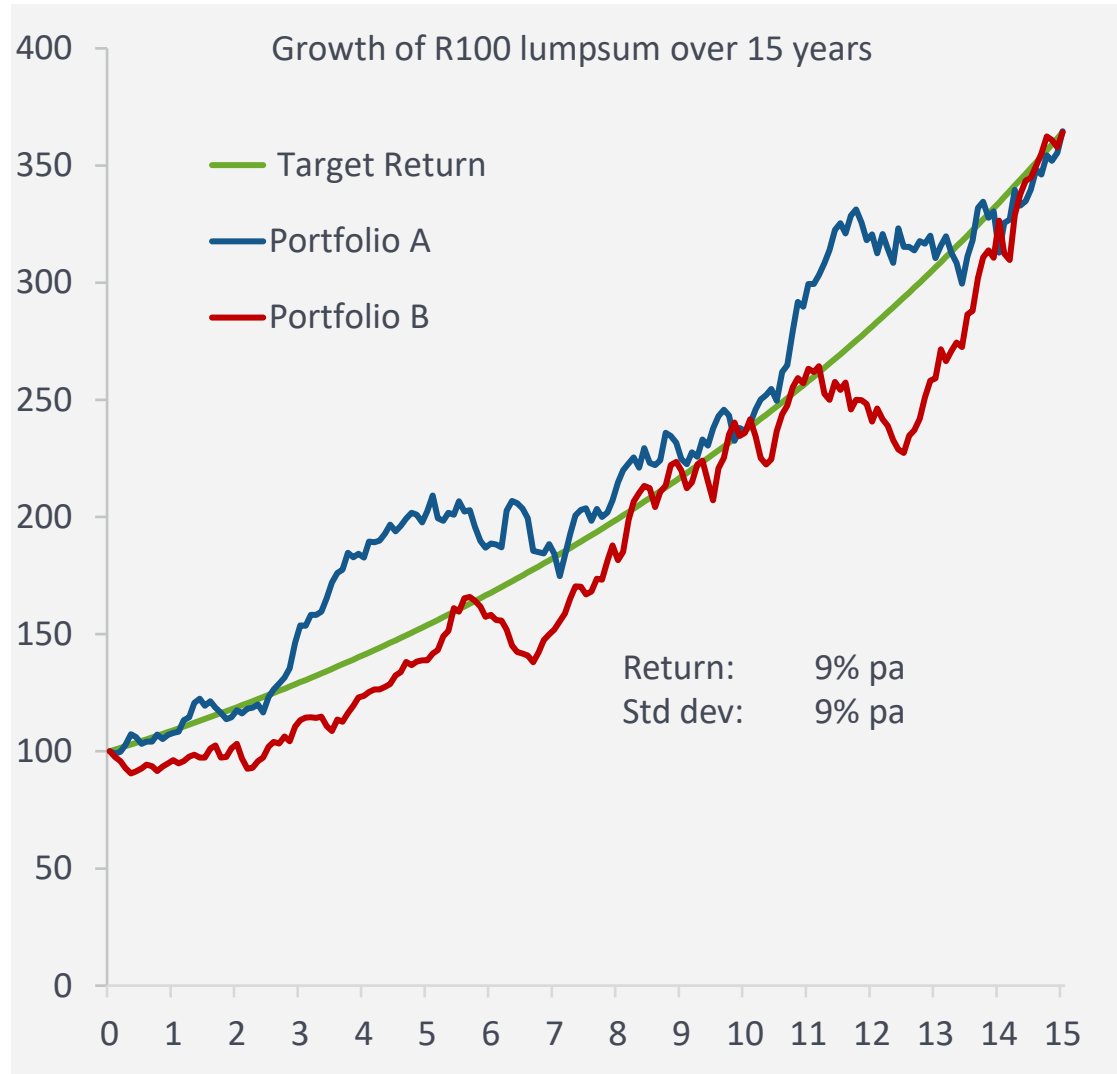
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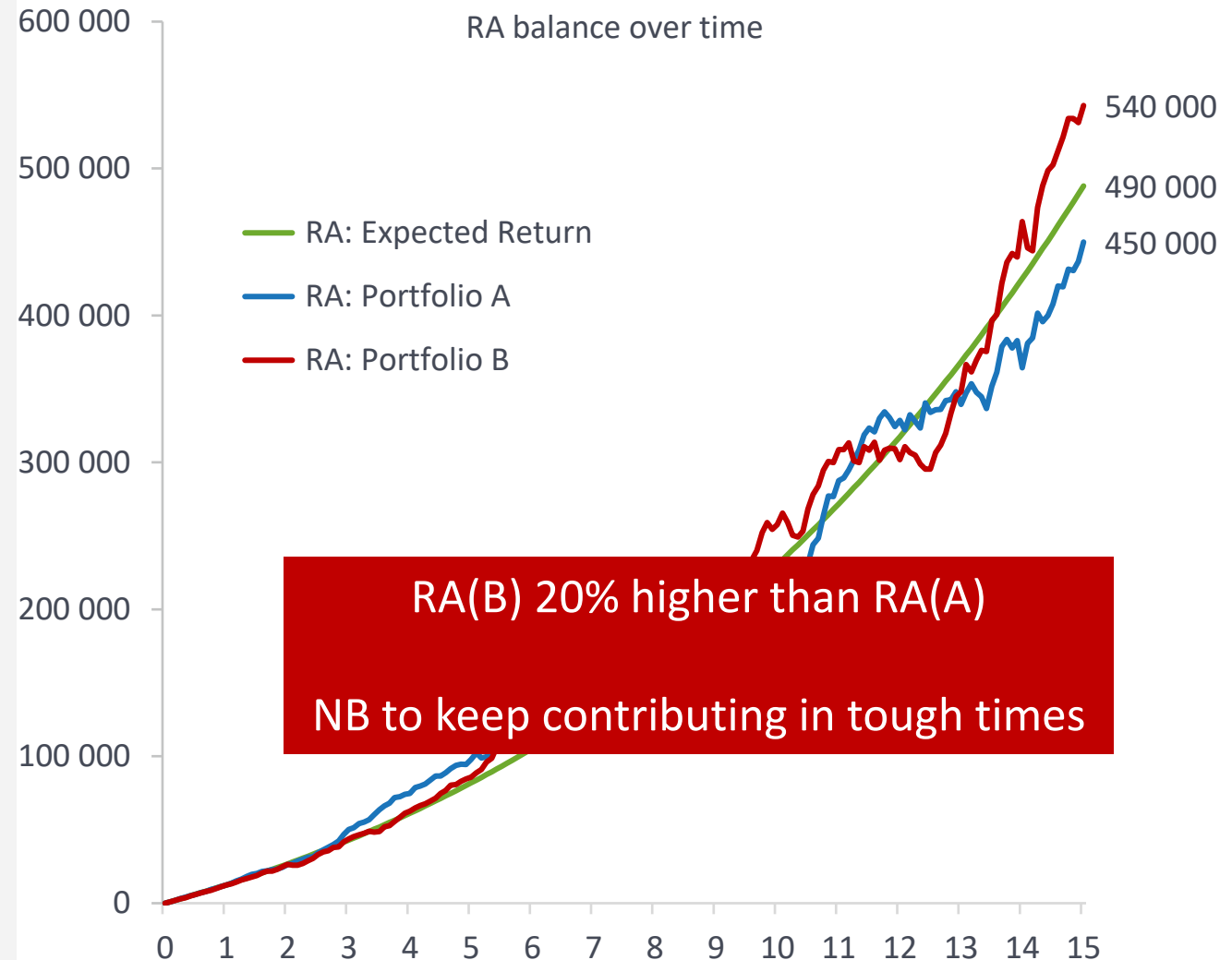
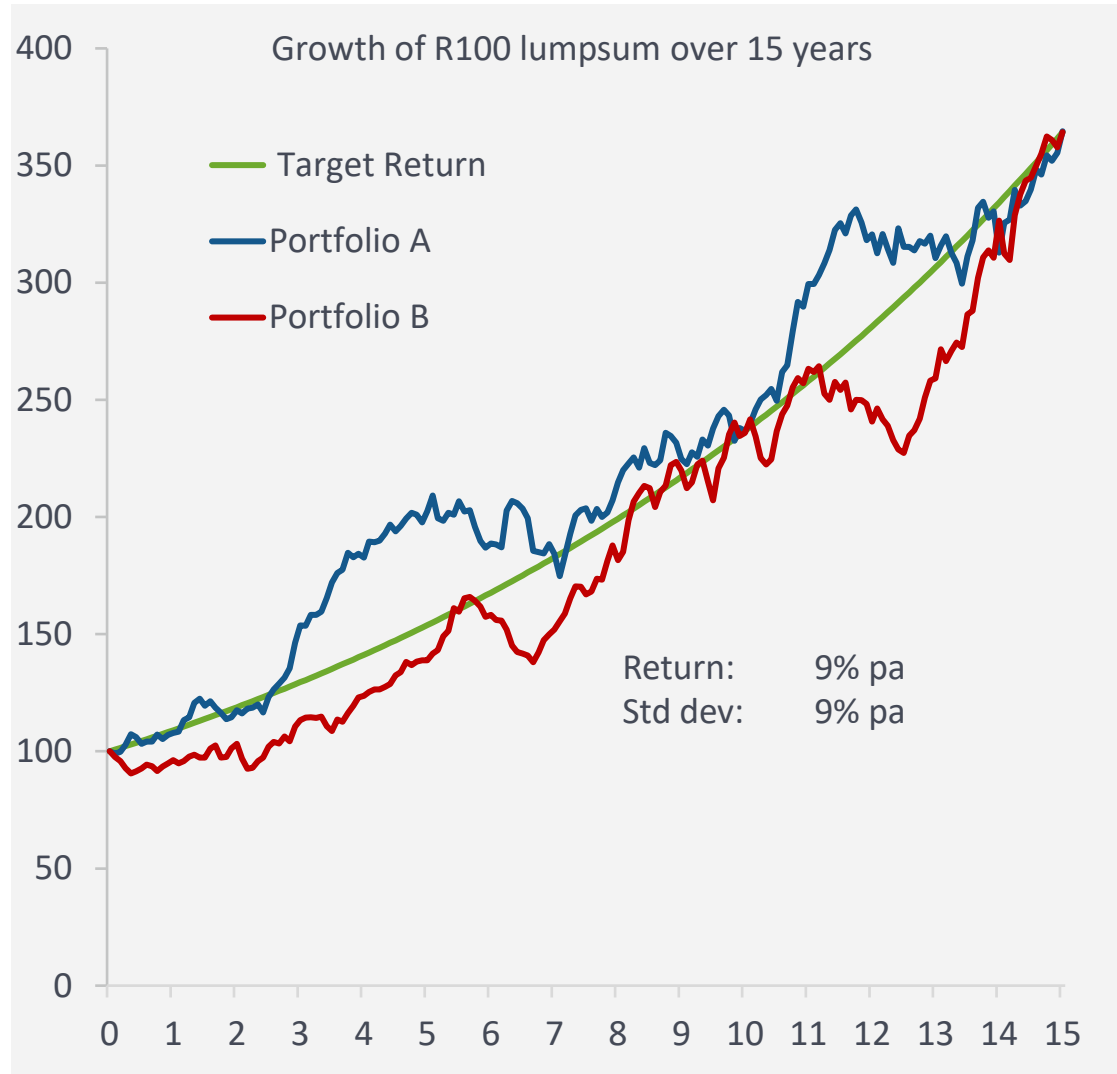
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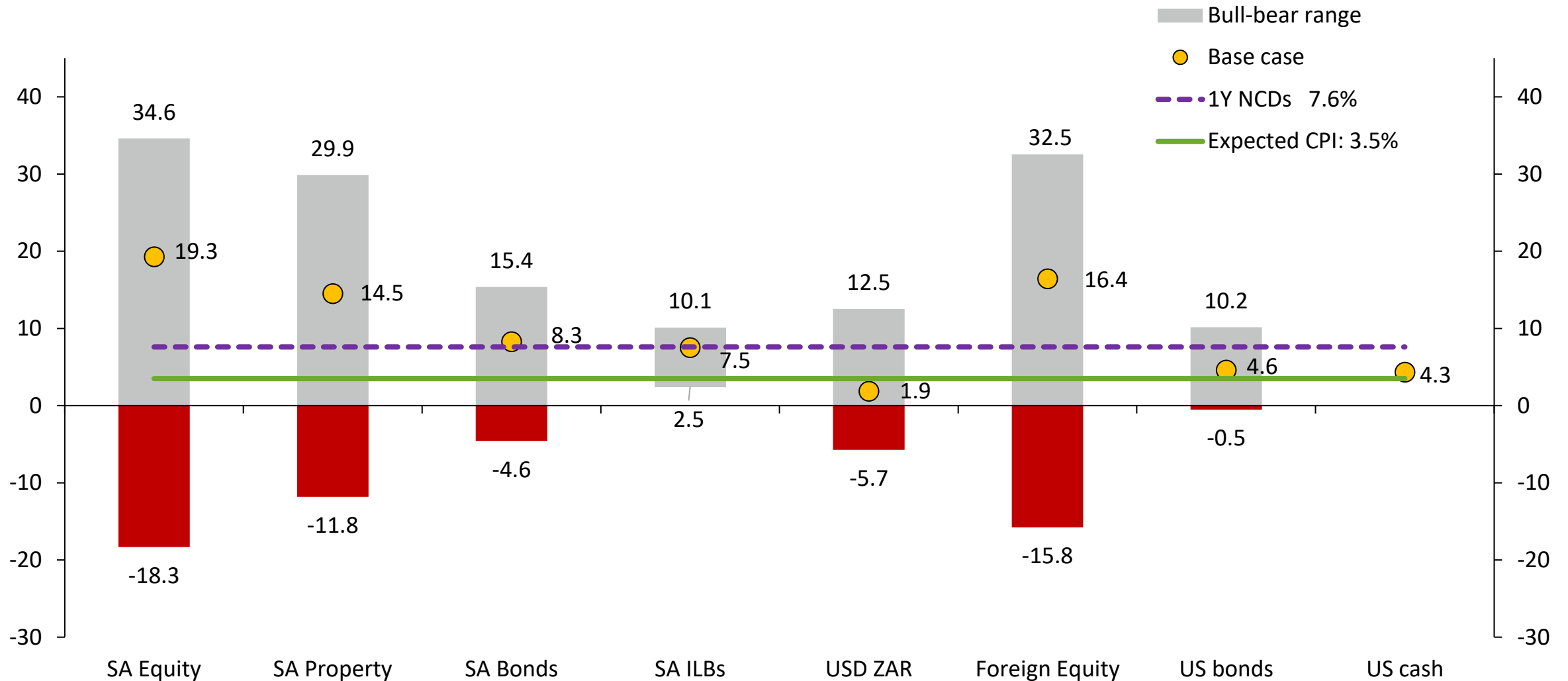
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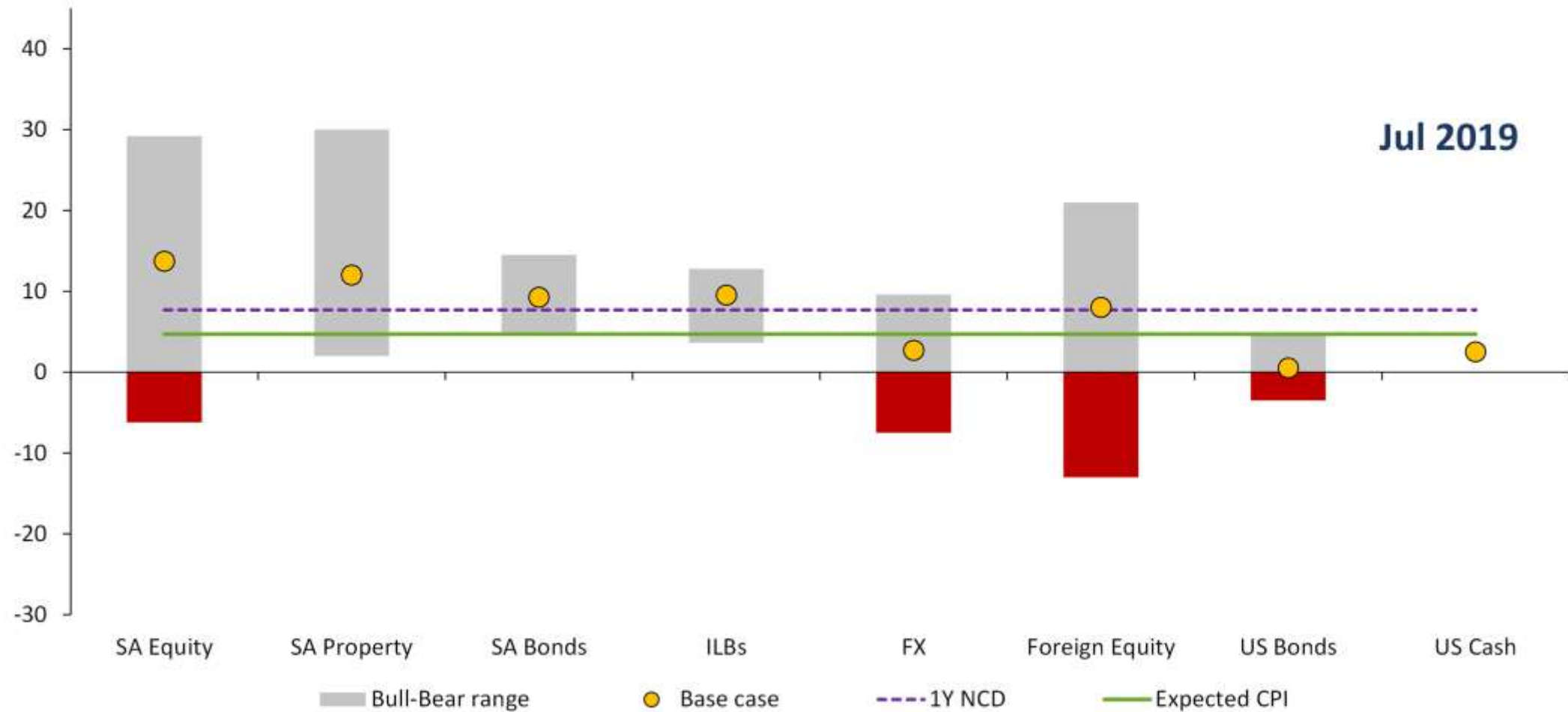
3. When to run and when to stand your ground



12-Month asset class return scenarios

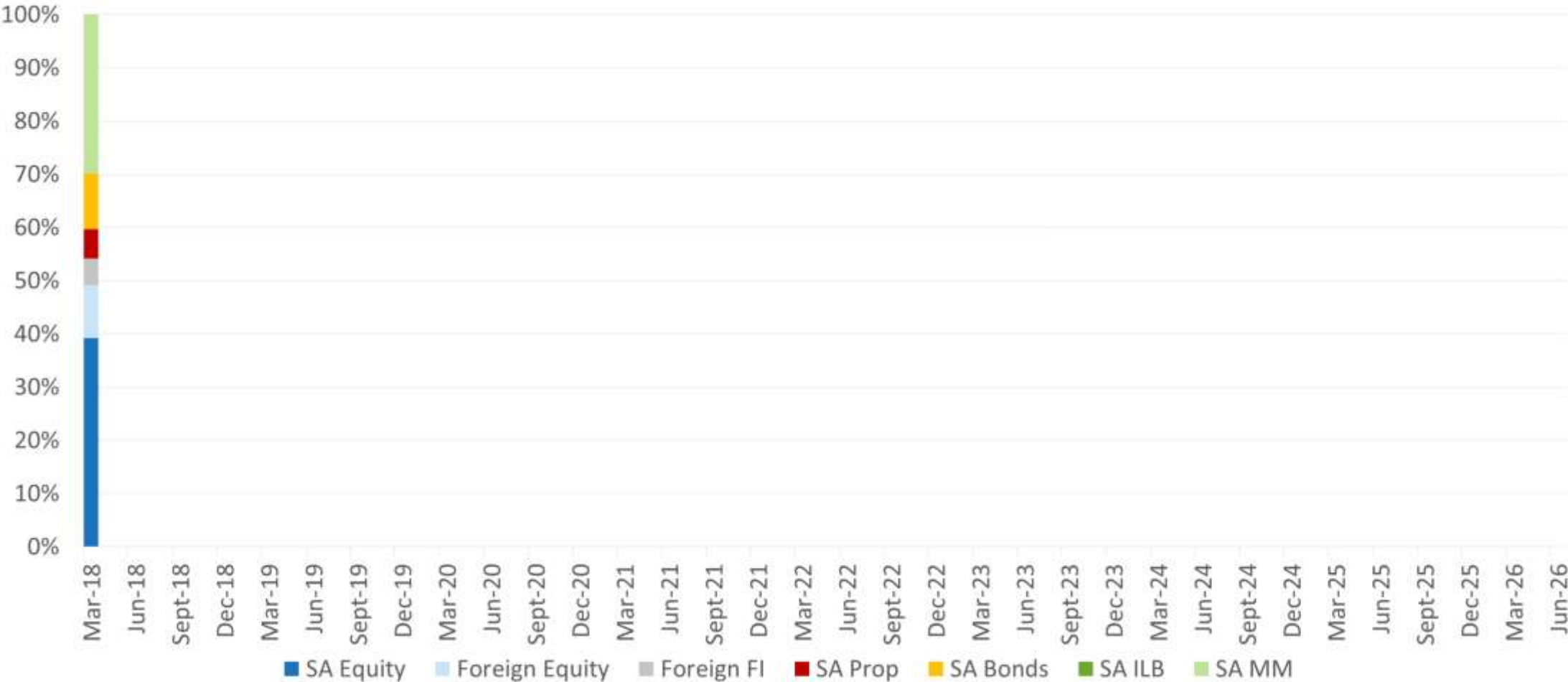


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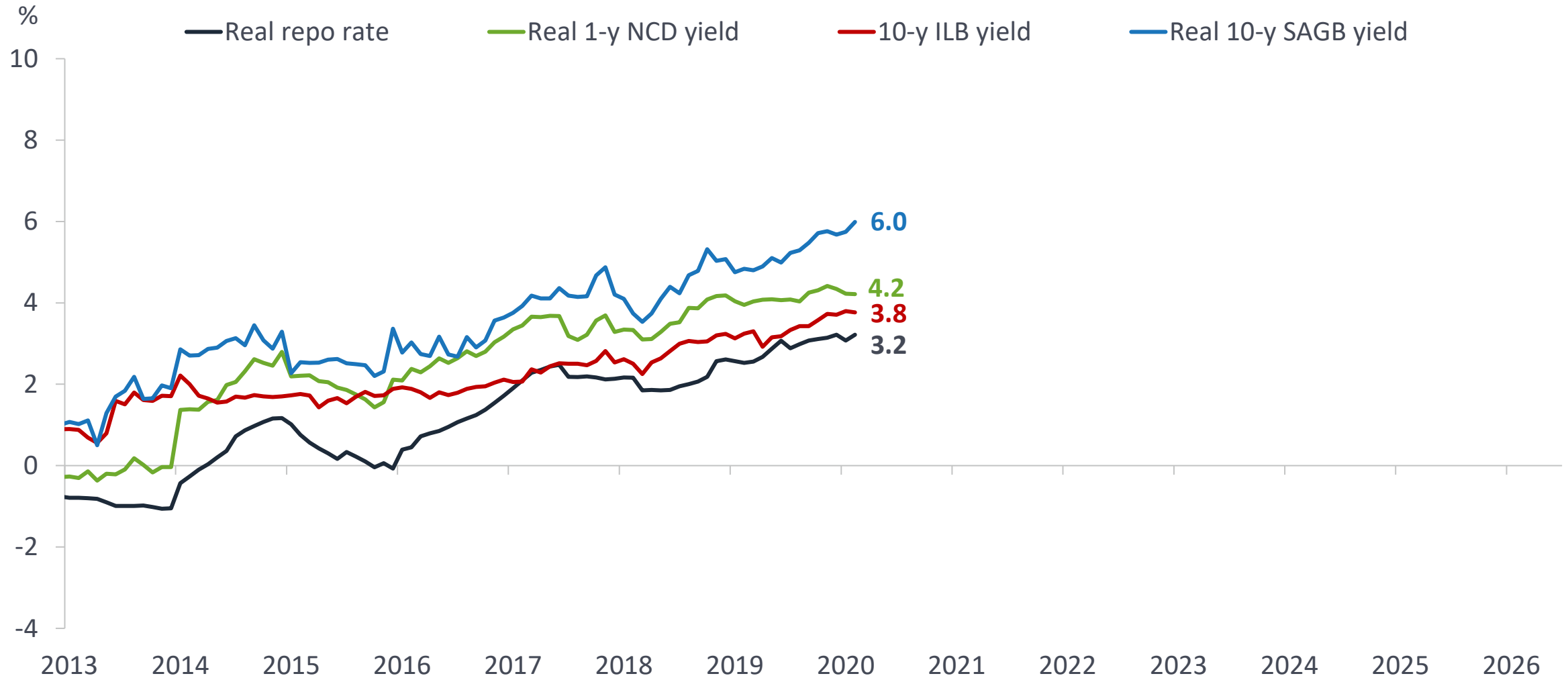


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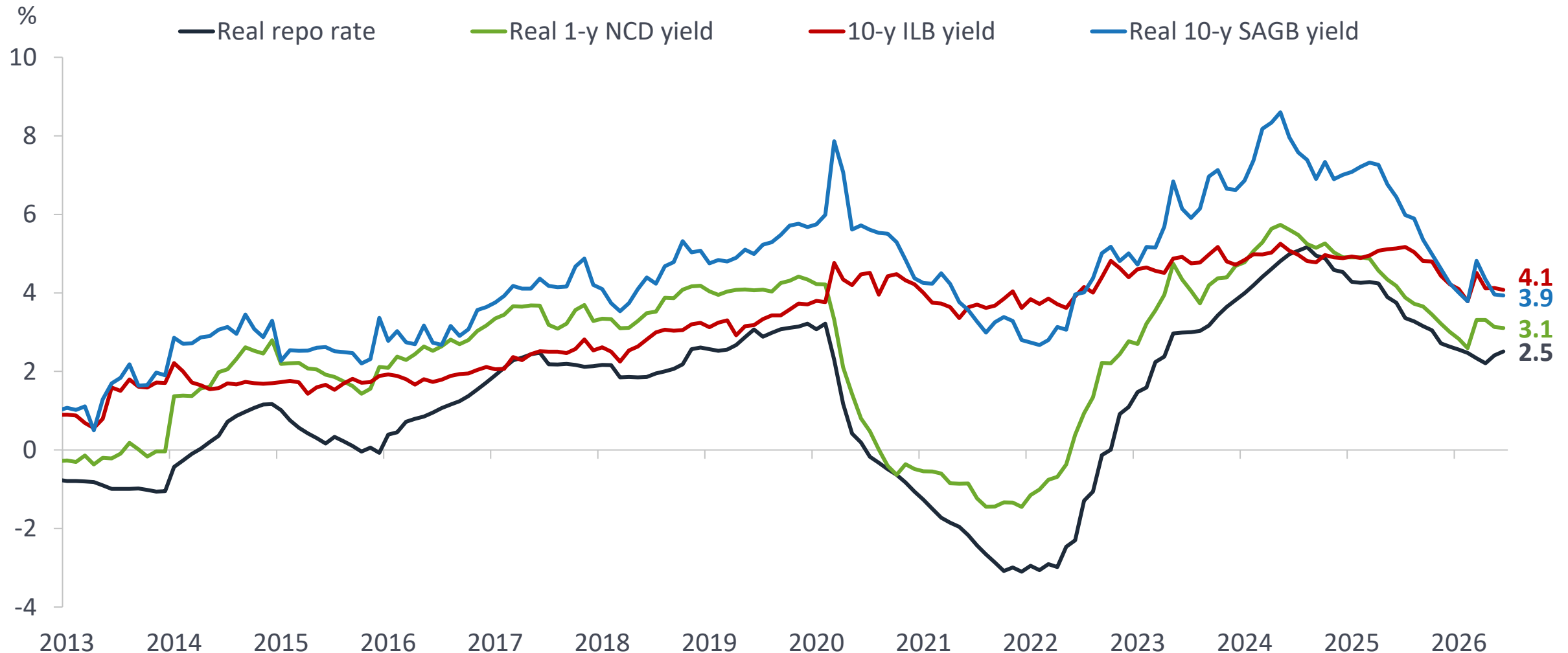
MATRIX SCI Balanced Fund



SA fixed income real returns

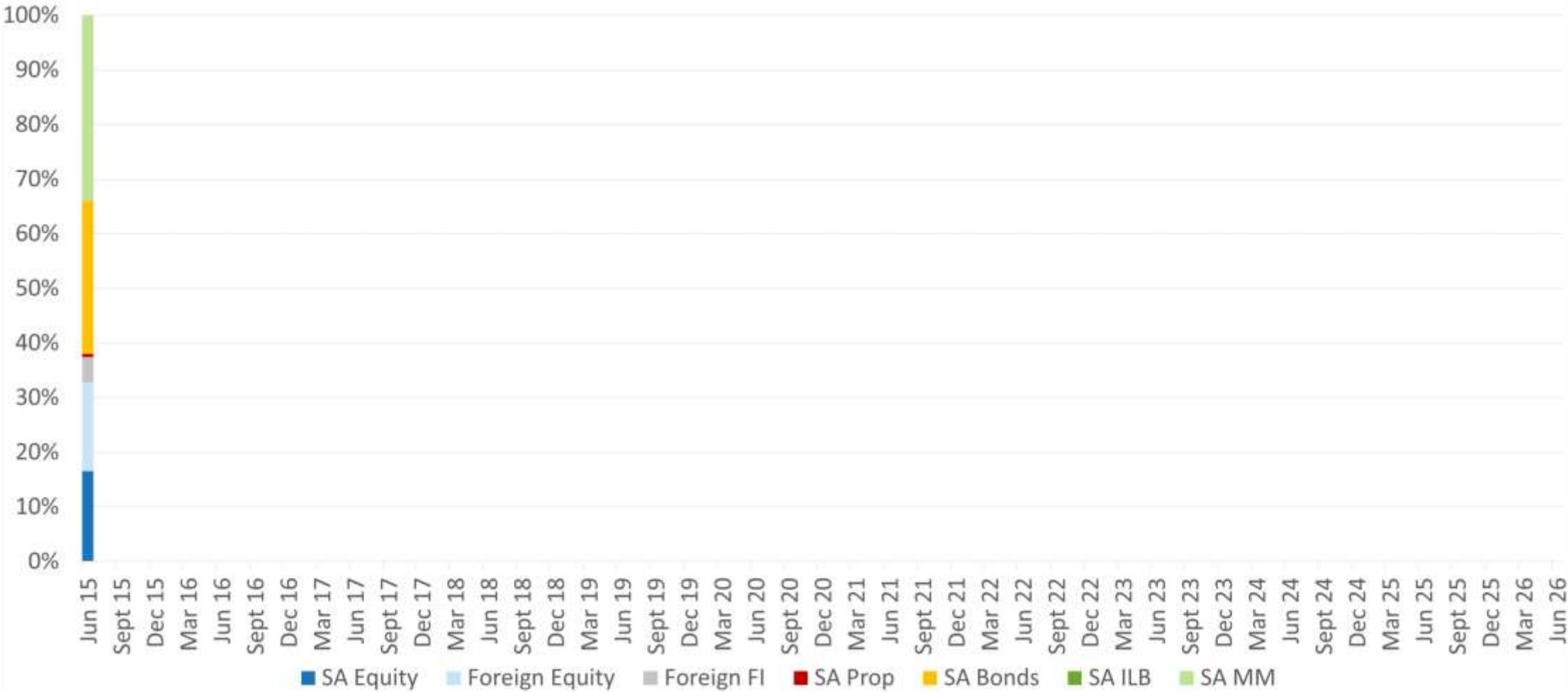


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AMPLIFY SCI Defensive Balanced Fund*



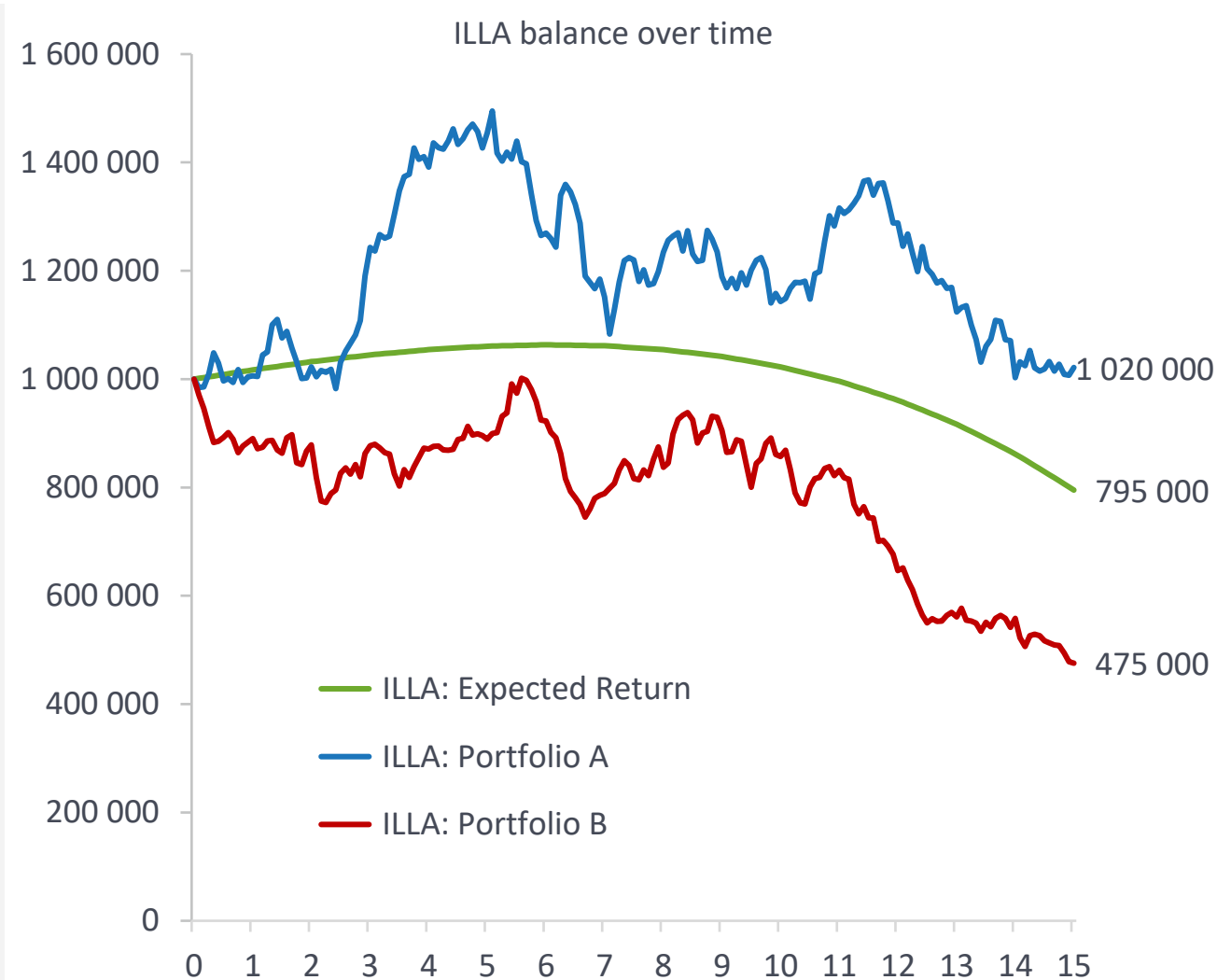
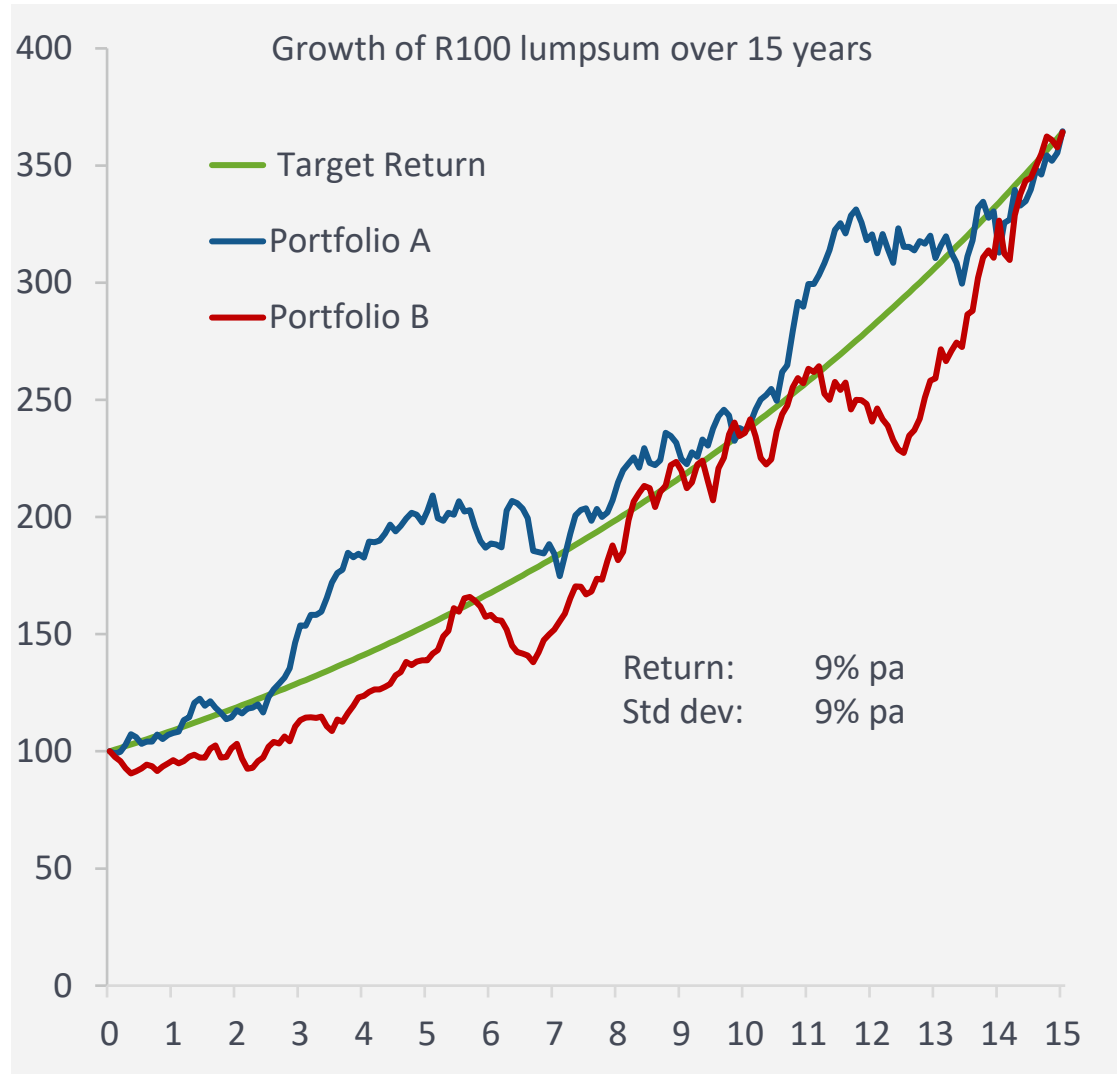
* Exclusively managed by Matrix Fund Managers for Amplify Investment Partners

4. Building portfolios that move with the shifts



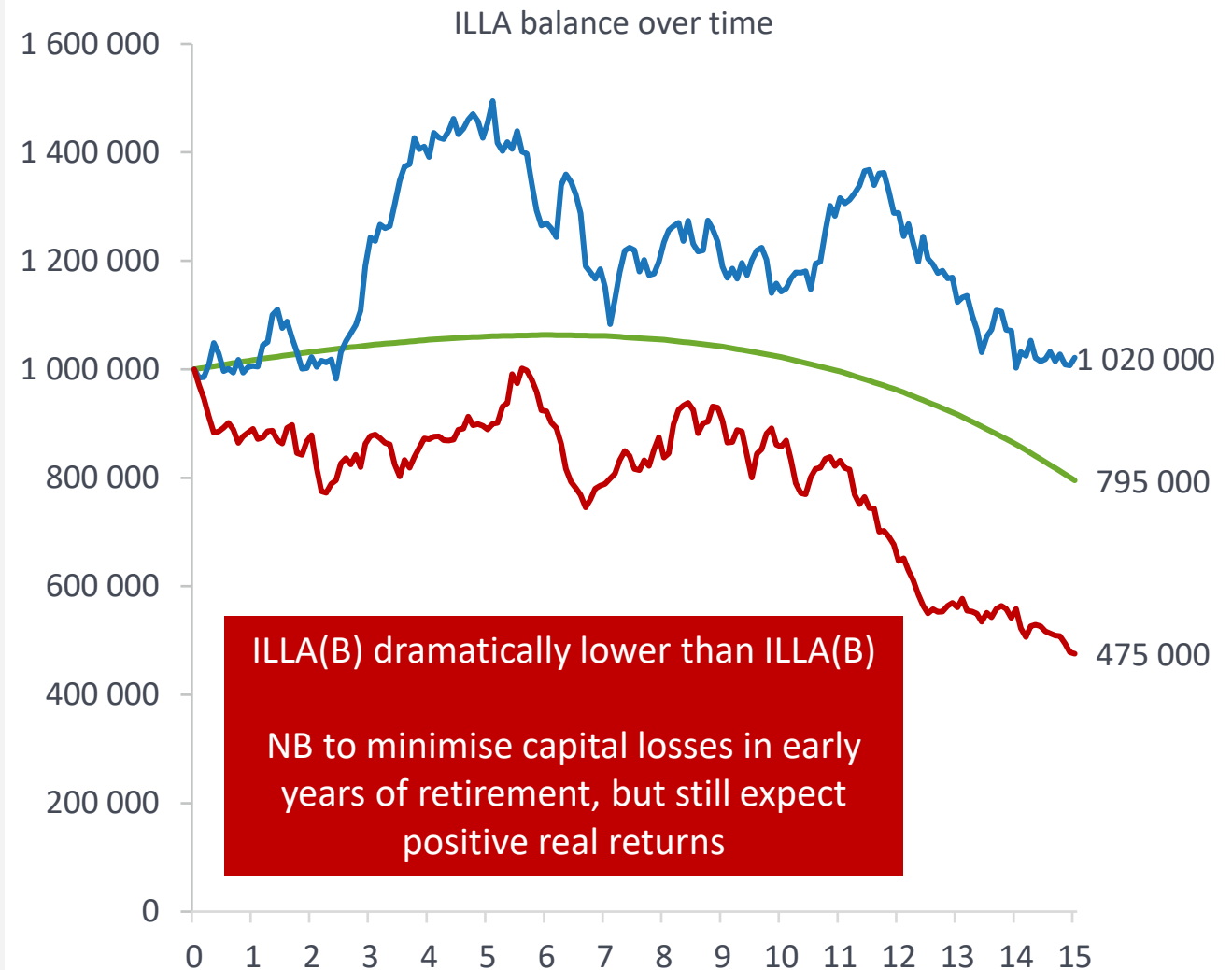
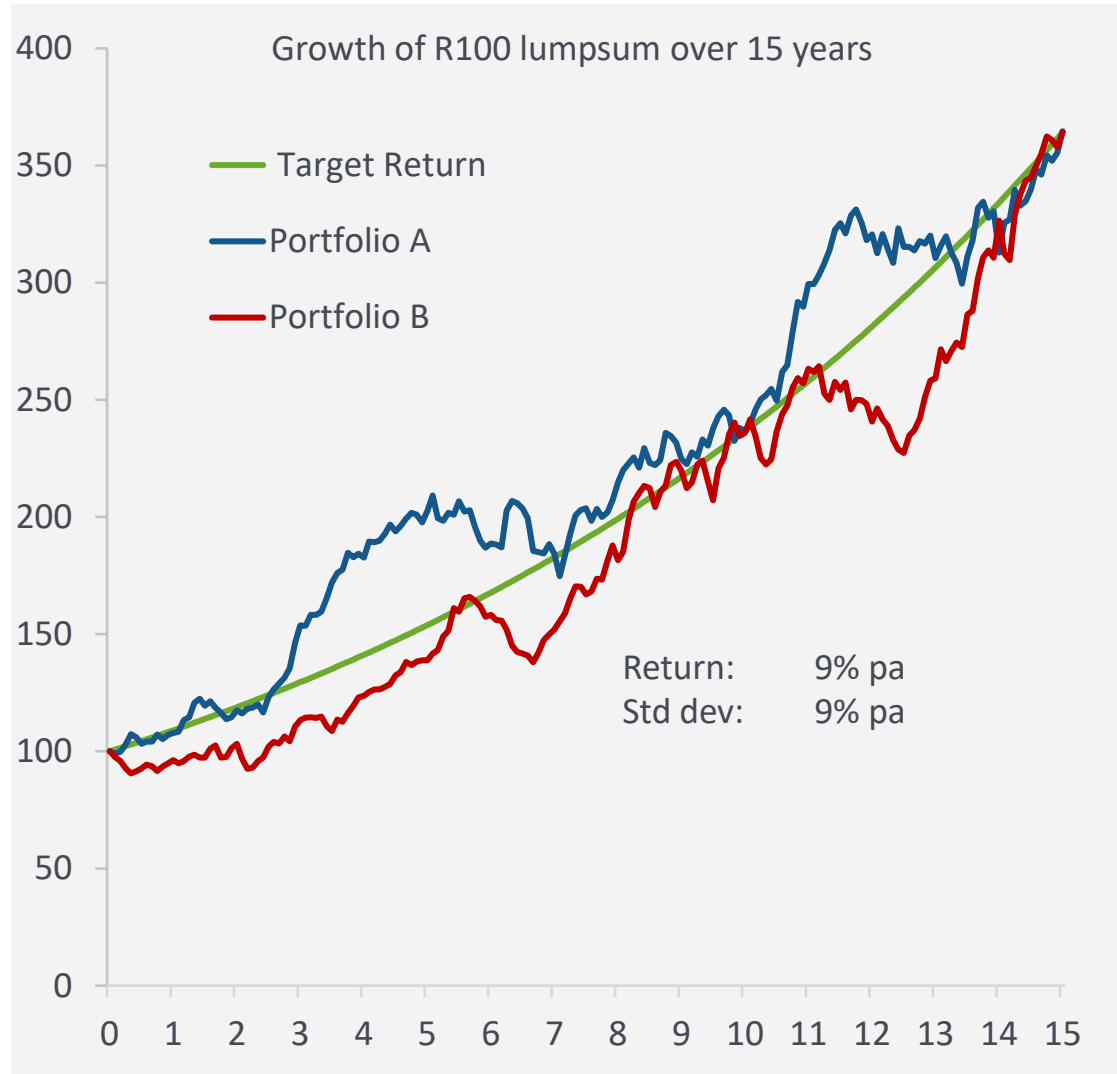
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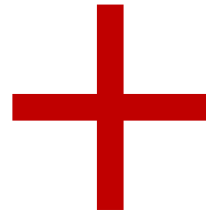
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- MA Low or Medium Equity
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Amplify SCI Defensive
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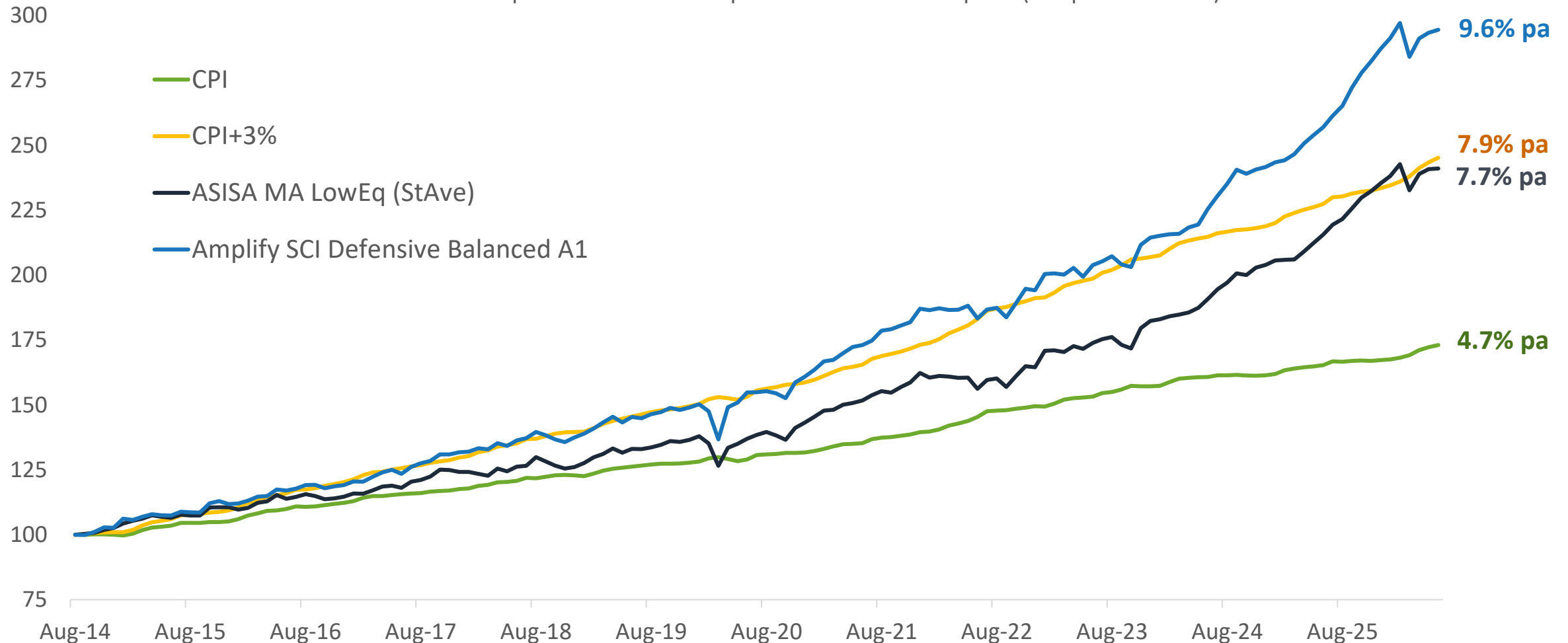
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Matrix SCI Fixed Income
RHF**

Amplify SCI Defensive Balanced Fund – Class A1



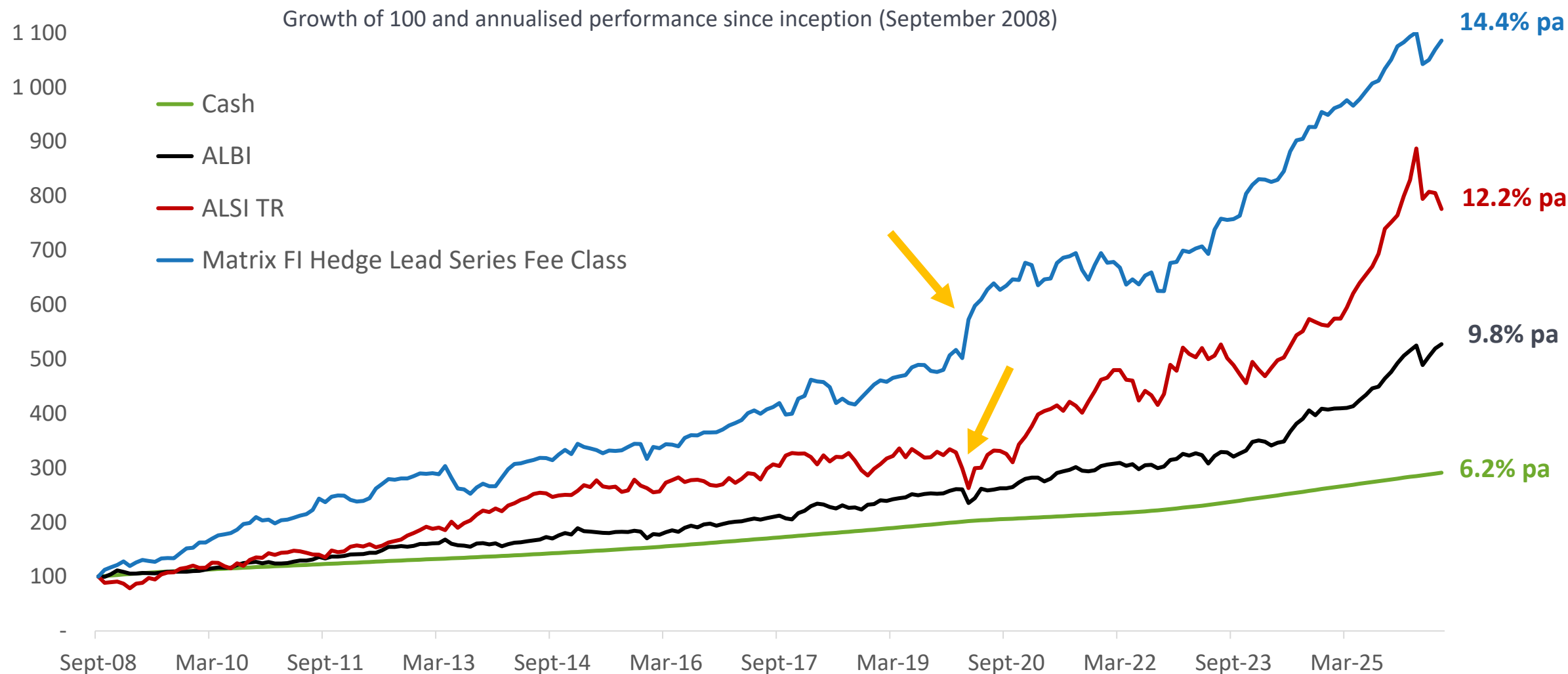
Growth of 100 lumpsum and annualised performance since inception (1 September 2014)



Matrix SCI Fixed Income RHF Class B1



See also Amplify SCI Income Plus RHF available on most LISPs

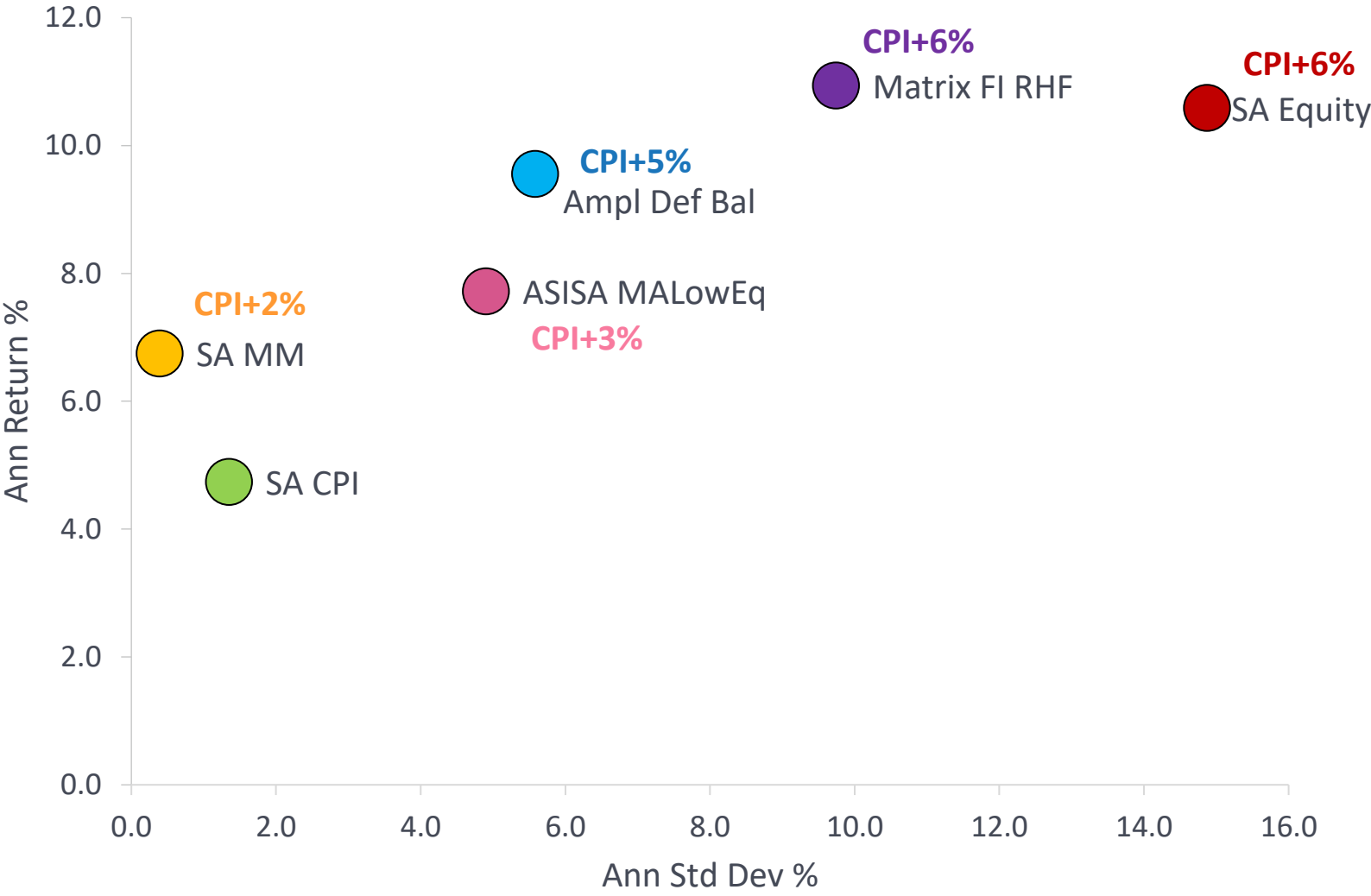


Fund performance is net after fees. The Fund converted to a regulated CIS Hedge Fund on 1 September 2016. Performance prior to that date is from an unregulated environment.
Cash performance measured by STeFI Call Deposit Index (STFCAD), Bond performance as per FTSE/JSE All Bond Index (total return), SA Equity is FTSE/JSE All Share Total Return Index.

Performance from 1 October 2008 – 30 June 2026
Source: Matrix, Bloomberg, SCI
Past performance is not indicative of future performance

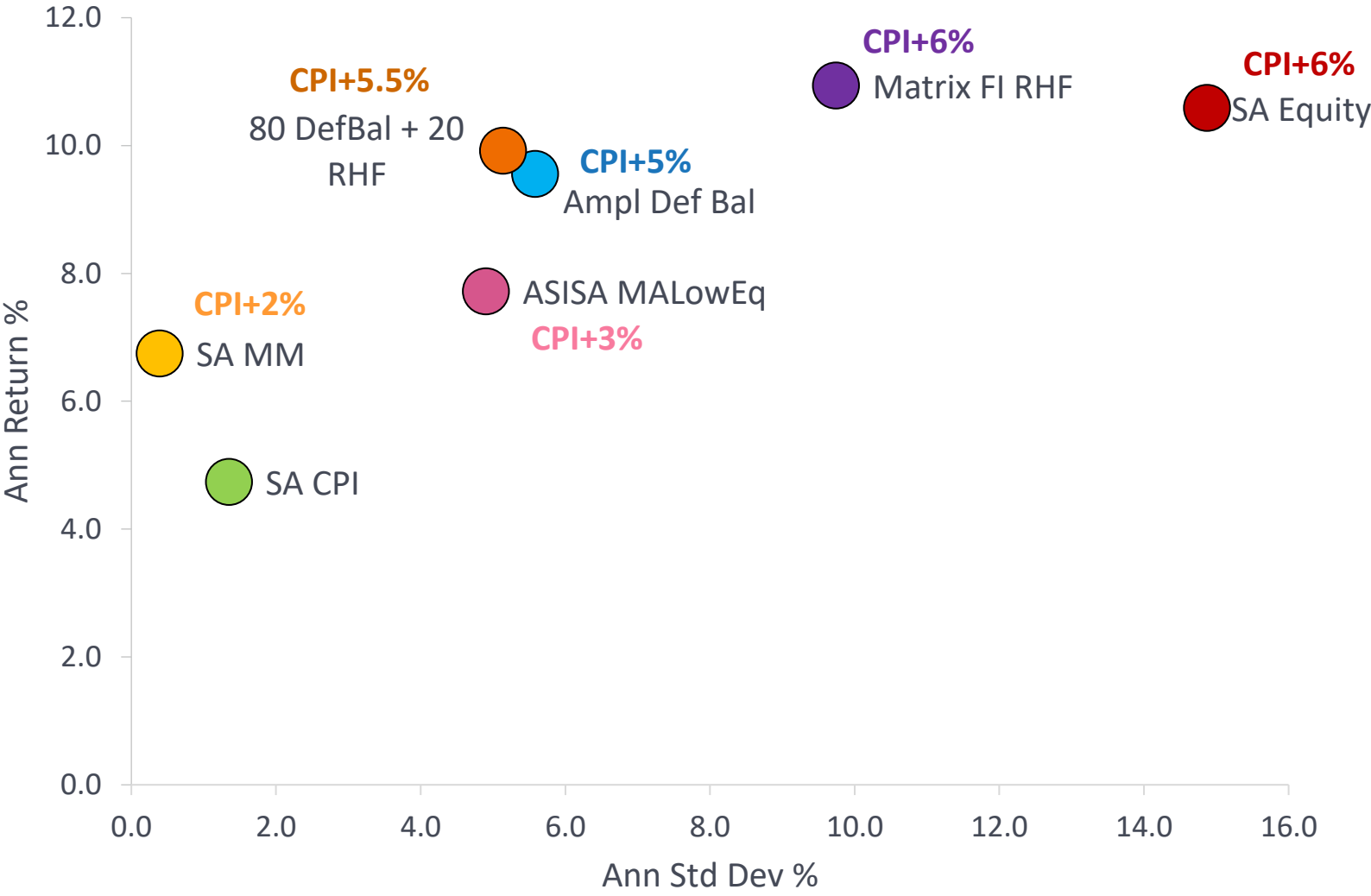
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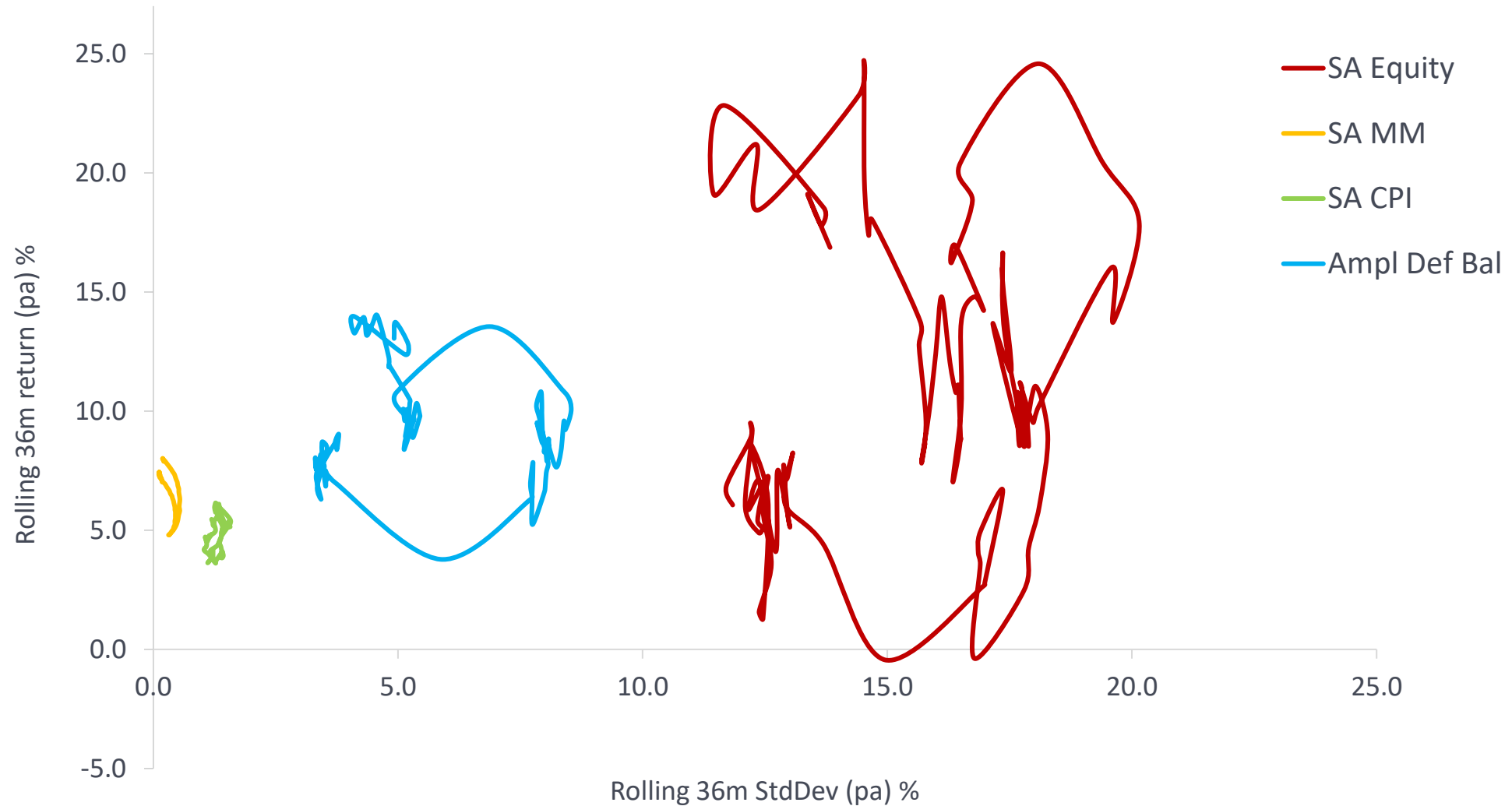
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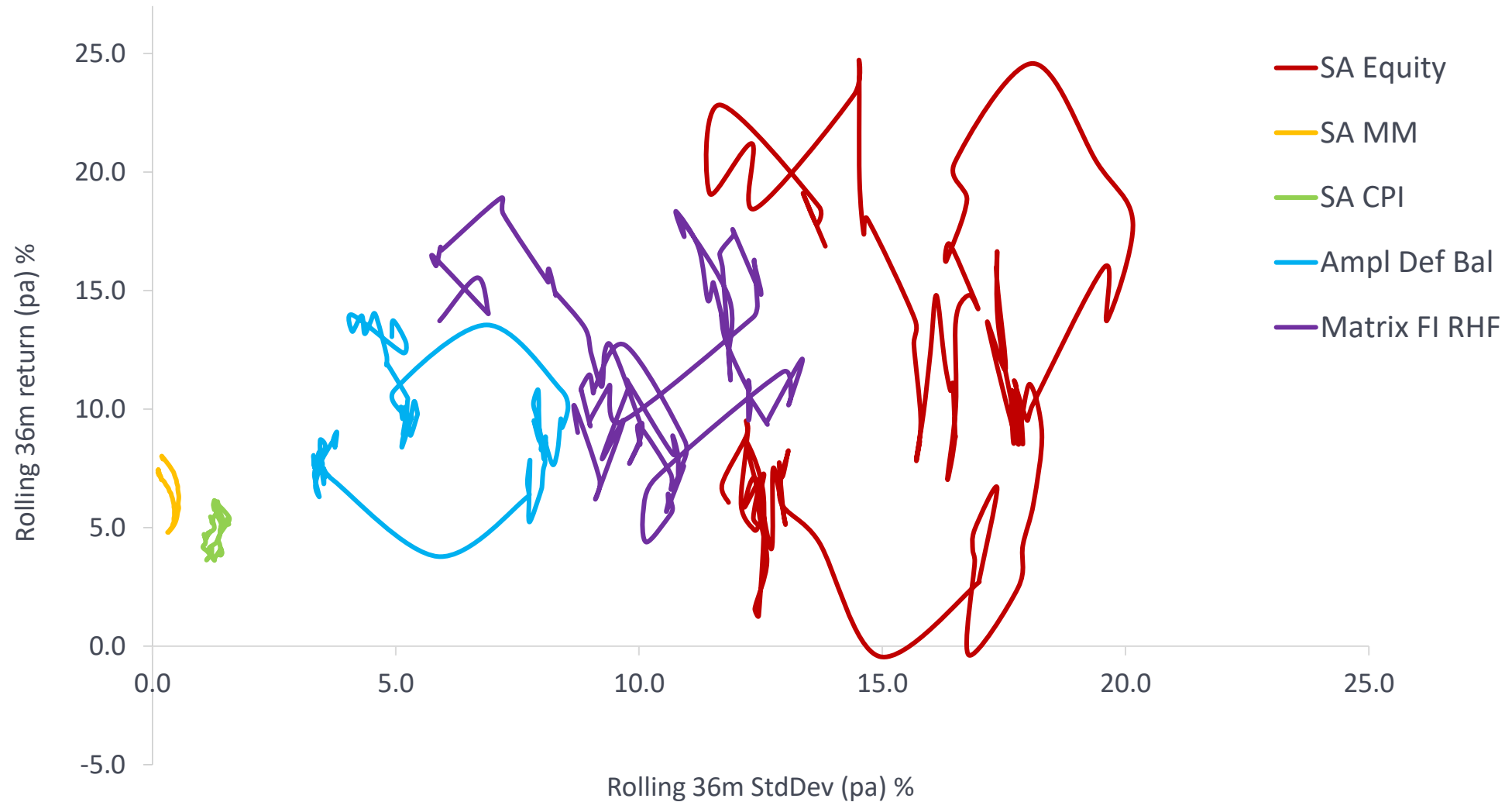
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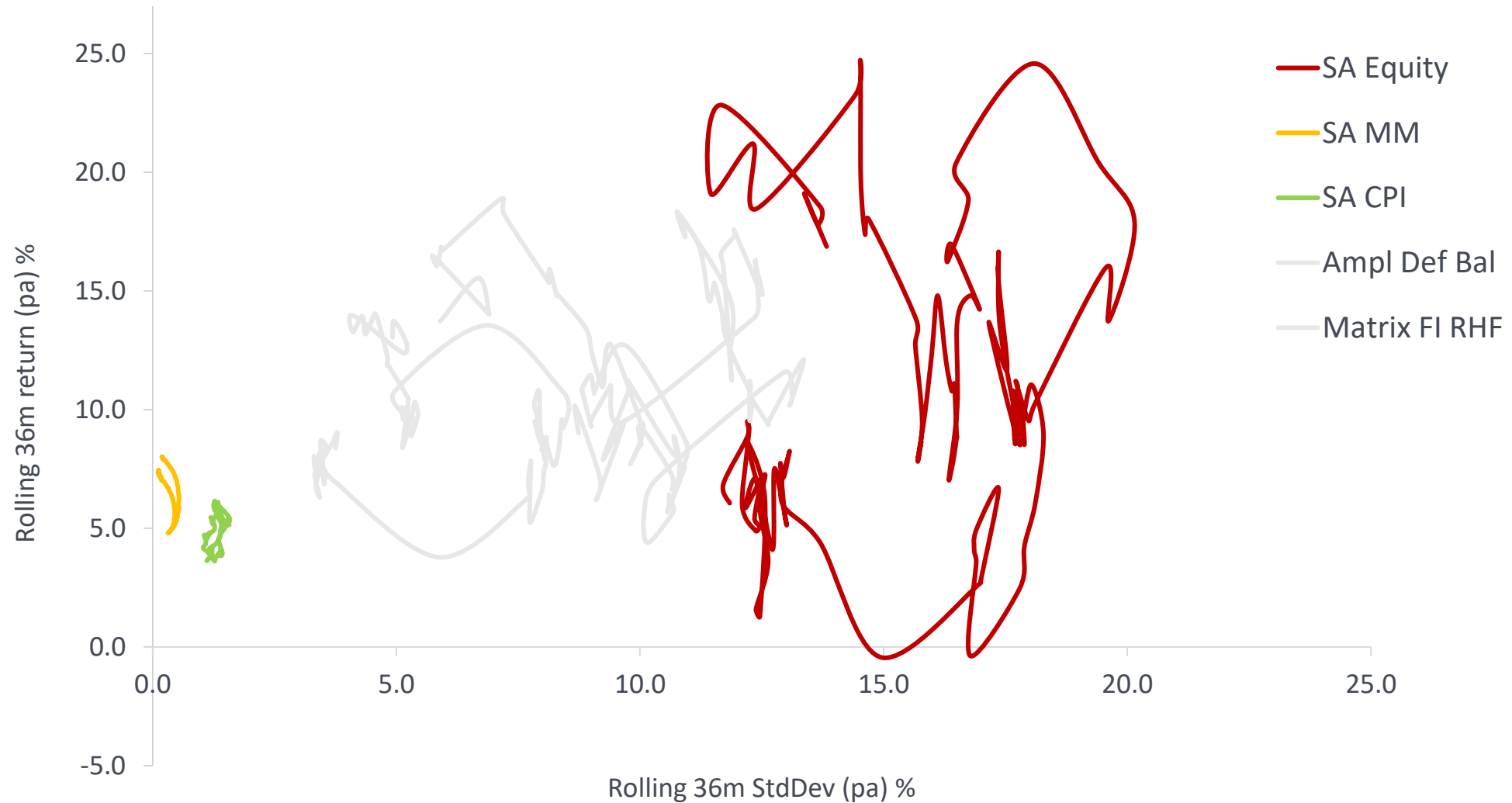
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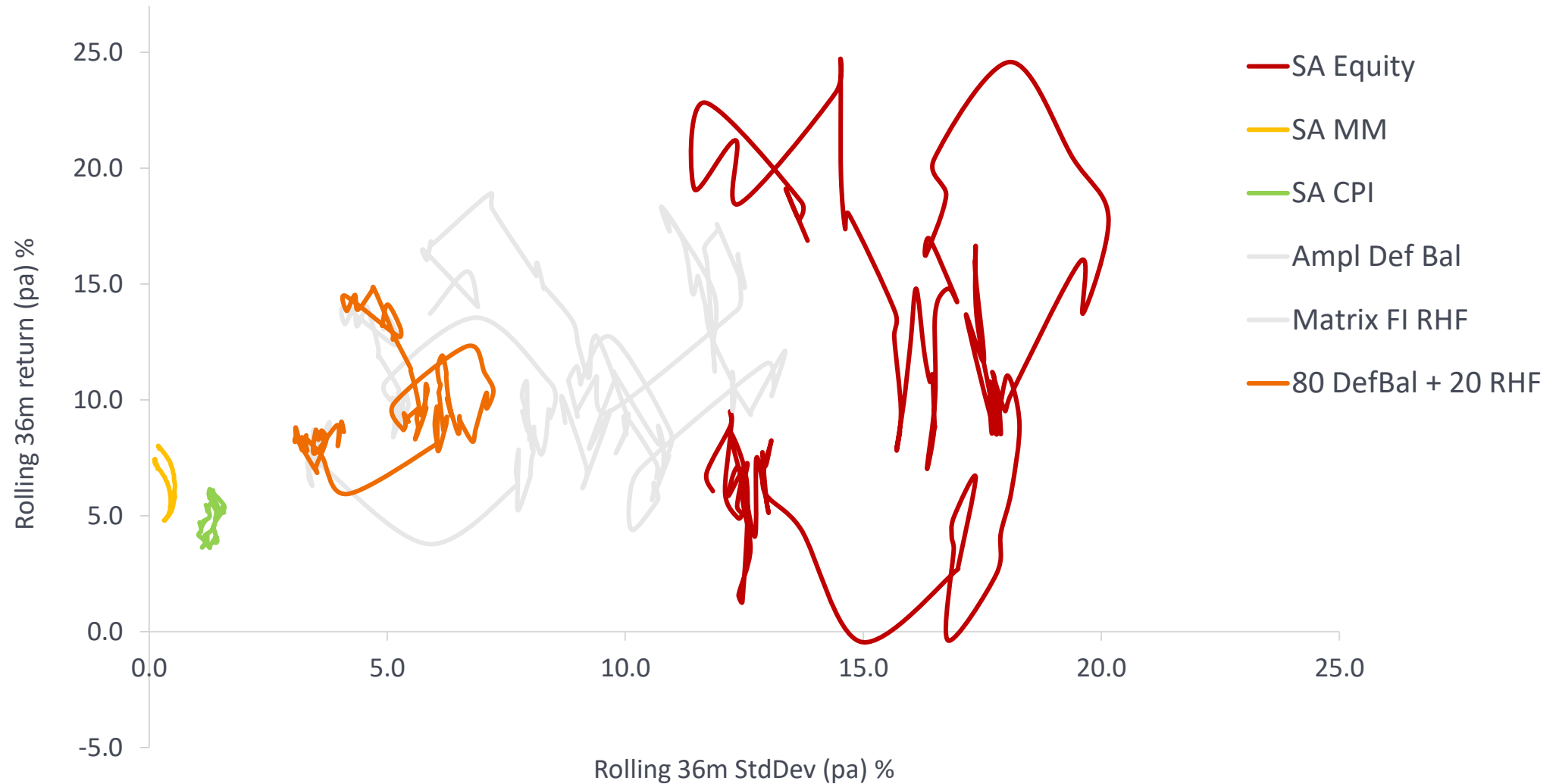
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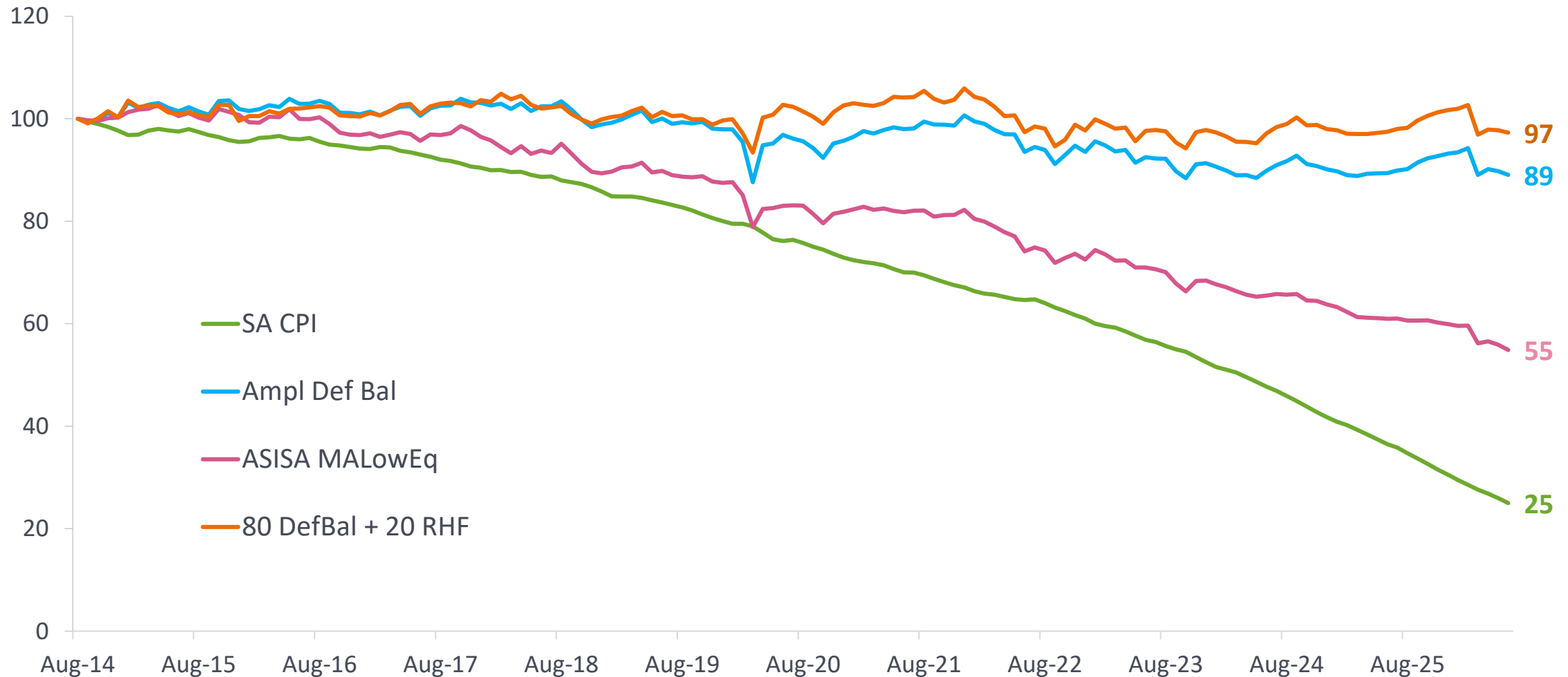
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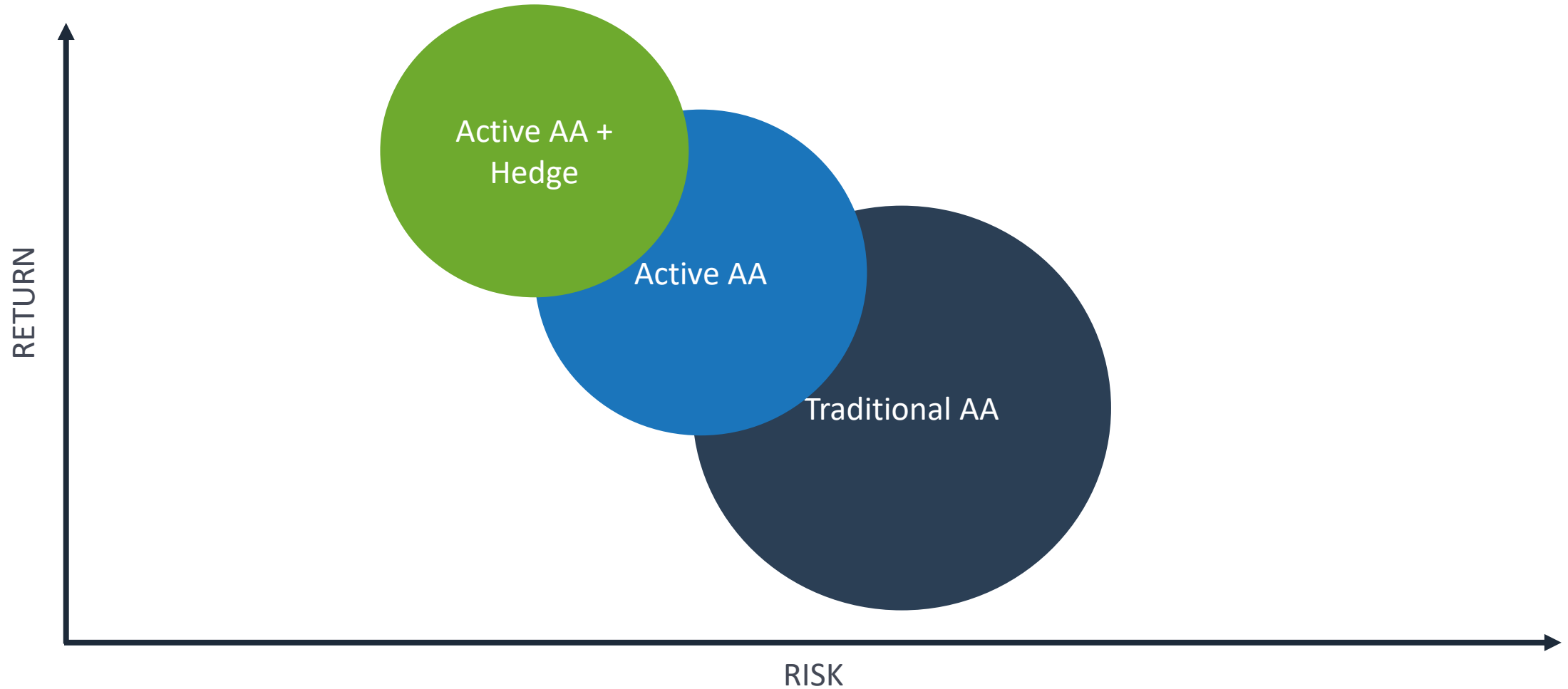
Example: R100 lumpsum on 1Sep-14, R7pa initial drawdown with CPI+1% increases







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