

CTP Study Notes

Topic 5 · Treasury Technology & Payment Systems

the systems, rails & security that move the money

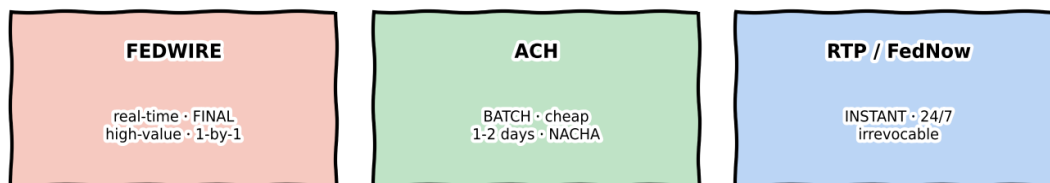
Big idea: Move money on the **right rail**, connect systems for **straight-through processing**, and lock it all down.

A) Treasury Systems & Payment Processing

ERP vs TMS

- **ERP** = the whole company's system (SAP/Oracle). **TMS** = treasury-specific (cash, deals, risk).
- Integrate them for **STP** (straight-through processing — no re-keying).

Know your payment rails



Pick the right payment rail for the job

🔑 REMEMBER

Fedwire = Fast, FINAL, one-by-one (RTGS). **ACH** = cheap BATCH (1-2 days). **RTP/FedNow** = INSTANT, 24/7.

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→ **CHIPS** = netted high-value payments (often cross-border).

Payment standards & messaging

→ **SWIFT** (bank-to-bank messaging), **BIC & IBAN** (account identifiers), **EDI 820** (remittance).

🔪 **BIG SHIFT**

ISO 20022 (MX) = richer, structured payment data. It's **replacing the old SWIFT MT** messages worldwide.

B) Information Security & Emerging Tech

How treasury connects to banks



Goal = Straight-Through Processing (no re-keying)

ERP/TMS connect to banks via SWIFT, host-to-host or API

Connecting to banks

→ Host-to-host, SWIFT, bank portals, **APIs**. Goal = **STP** and real-time visibility.

Locking it down

→ **MFA**, encryption, **tokenization**, dual controls, and staff training.

🔪 **REMEMBER — BEC**

BEC (business email compromise) = a fake “CEO/vendor” email asking you to wire money.

Beat it with **CALLBACK verification + dual approval**.

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What's next

→ Real-time payments, open banking APIs, AI / RPA for reconciliation, and blockchain/DLT basics.

★ 30-SECOND RECAP

Right rail (Fedwire / ACH / RTP); connect ERP+TMS for STP.

Adopt ISO 20022; defend against BEC/phishing with callbacks & dual control.

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