



# 2-person Stackelberg pricing games

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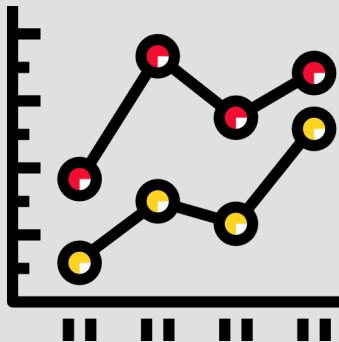
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# Analyze the behavior of the three followers

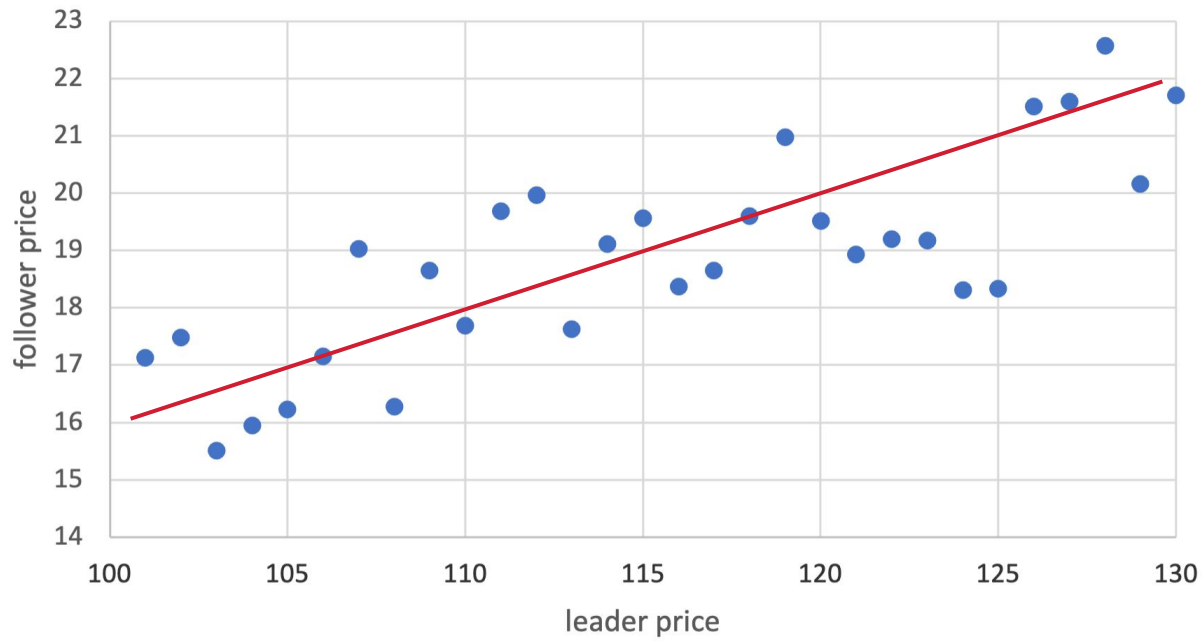


- Modify SimpleLeader.java
- Set the leader price to be **date**
- Plot for follower price against leader price

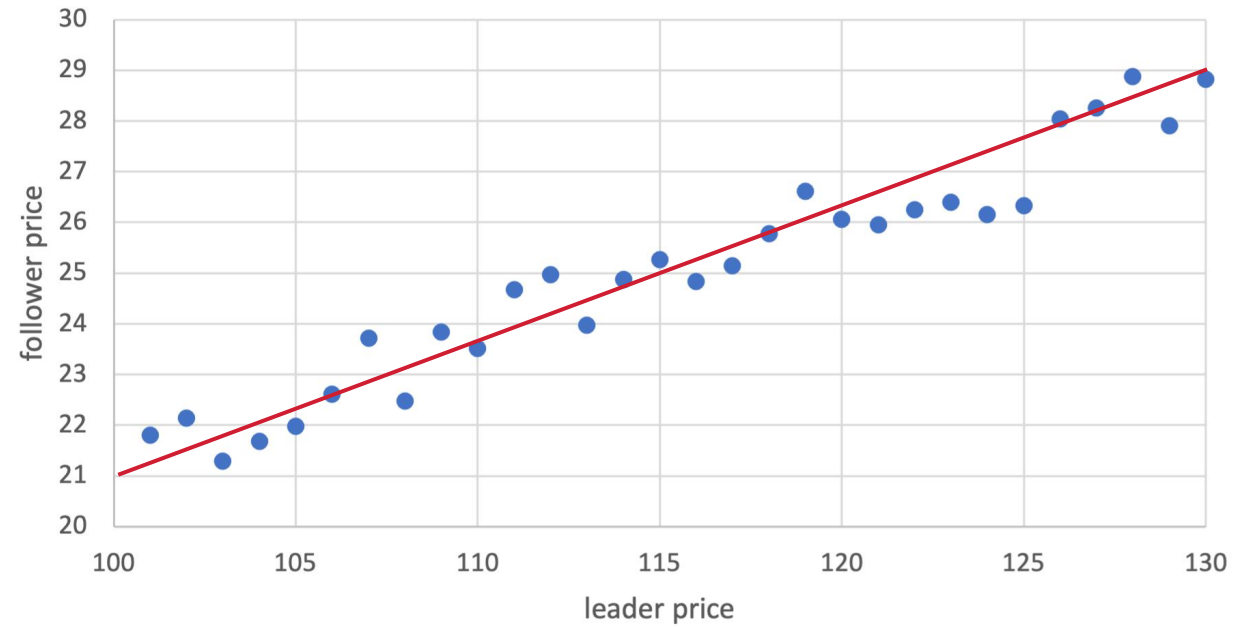
***Linear or  
Non-Linear***



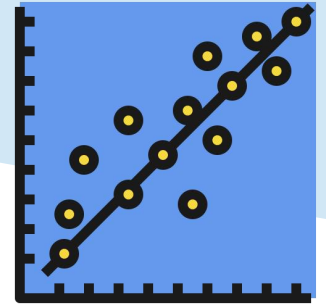
Mk1 with leader price = date

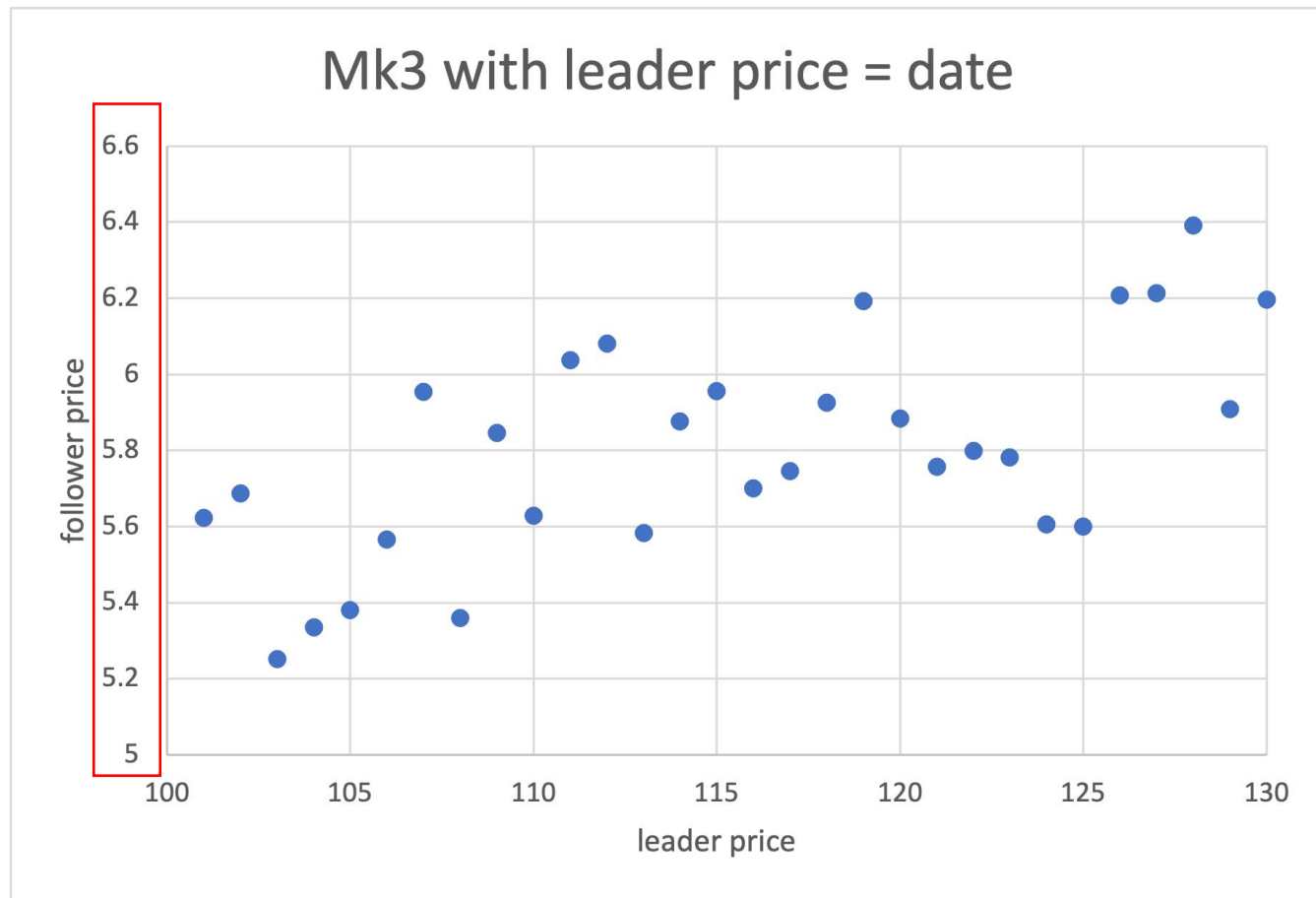


Mk2 with leader price = date

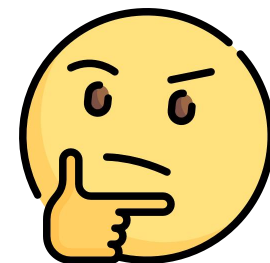


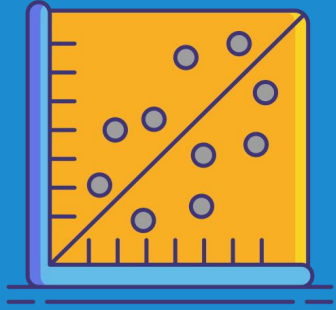
***Mk1 and Mk2 are both *linear****





**Mk3 could be**  
***non-linear***





# *Linear Approaches*

Goal: find the follower  
reaction function

- ALL HISTORICAL DATA
- MOVING WINDOW
- MODIFIED MOVING WINDOW
- WEIGHTED LEAST SQUARE WITH FORGETTING FACTOR

# Best leader strategy given follower reaction

Given follower reaction

$$u_F = \hat{a} + \hat{b}u_L$$



Substitute into  
Leader profit  
equation

$$\begin{aligned}(u_L - c_L)S_L(u_L, u_F) \\&= (u_L - 1)(2 - u_L + 0.3u_F) \\&= (u_L - 1)(2 - u_L + 0.3(\hat{a} + \hat{b}u_L))\end{aligned}$$

Group common  
terms

$$\begin{aligned}2u_L - u_L^2 + 0.3\hat{a}u_L + 0.3\hat{b}u_L^2 - 2 + u_L - 0.3\hat{a} - 0.3\hat{b}u_L \\&= (0.3\hat{b} - 1)u_L^2 + (3 + 0.3\hat{a} - 0.3\hat{b})u_L + (-2 - 0.3\hat{a})\end{aligned}$$

Make 1st derivative  
equal to zero and solve  
the leader price

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial u_L} (0.3\hat{b} - 1)u_L^2 + (3 + 0.3\hat{a} - 0.3\hat{b})u_L + (-2 - 0.3\hat{a}) &= 0 \\2(0.3\hat{b} - 1)u_L + (3 + 0.3\hat{a} - 0.3\hat{b}) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

$$u_L = -\frac{(3 + 0.3\hat{a} - 0.3\hat{b})}{2(0.3\hat{b} - 1)}$$

(Referenced from *Lecture03*)

# All Historical Data Approach

- Use all the historical data to do the estimation

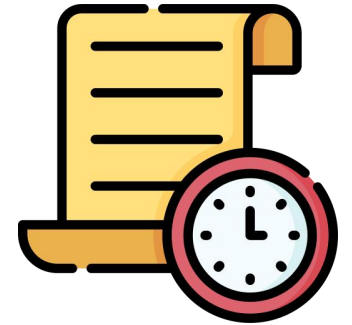
$$\sum_{t=1}^T \{y(t) - [a^* + b^* x(t)]\}^2 = \min_{\{\hat{a}, \hat{b}\}} \sum_{t=1}^T \{y(t) - [\hat{a} + \hat{b} x(t)]\}^2$$

In the equation  $x(t)$  is the leader price at day  $t$   
And  $y(t)$  is the follower price at day  $t$

Convert the minimization problem to maximization problem.  
Set the 1st order partial derivative equal to 0 to solve this problem.

$$\hat{a}^* = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T x^2(t) \sum_{t=1}^T y(t) - \sum_{t=1}^T x(t) \sum_{t=1}^T x(t)y(t)}{T \sum_{t=1}^T x^2(t) - (\sum_{t=1}^T x(t))^2}$$

$$\hat{b}^* = \frac{T \sum_{t=1}^T x(t)y(t) - \sum_{t=1}^T x(t) \sum_{t=1}^T y(t)}{T \sum_{t=1}^T x^2(t) - (\sum_{t=1}^T x(t))^2}$$



# Moving Window Approach

- Similar to All Historical Data Approach
- Instead of looping through all the historical data
- Use a window to loop only the recent data
- For example: a window size of 30 will just loop the data of past 30 days



(Referenced from *Lecture06 Slide 6-7*)



# Evaluation and Analysis

	All historical data	Moving window Size = 100	Modified moving window Size = 30 Lambda = 0.95	Weighed least square with forgetting factor Lambda = 0.99	ML	Best approach
Mk1	<b>17.5571613311768</b>	17.5557403564453	17.5533294677734	17.5550231933594	17.5550460815429	All historical data
Mk2	16.9564590454102	16.9558563232422	<b>16.9577598571777</b>	16.9558162689209	16.9468994140625	Modifeid moving window
Mk3	19.4882831573486	19.4883308410645	19.4879131317139	19.4882564544678	<b>19.4883728027343</b>	ML

	Analysis
Mk1	<b>Linear</b> and <b>not depend</b> on date
Mk2	<b>Linear</b> and <b>depend</b> on date
Mk3	<b>Non-linear</b>





# Thank you !

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