

MMBM: How to Engage Price in Bullish Conditions

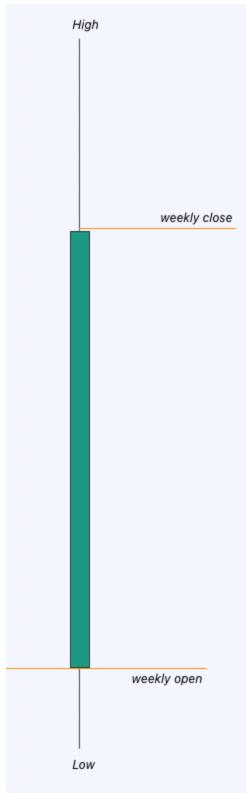
Welcome back to the series! This lesson in particular will be using the frameworks that were introduced in the lessons:

- MMXM: Market Maker Models
- Lesson 10: MMBM (re-accumulation)
- Lesson 13: Daily Bias + Draw on Liquidity

[Note: CoT provides an additional layer of info that I have not covered yet in the series, it is used in conjunction with IPDA ranges mentioned in Lesson 13]

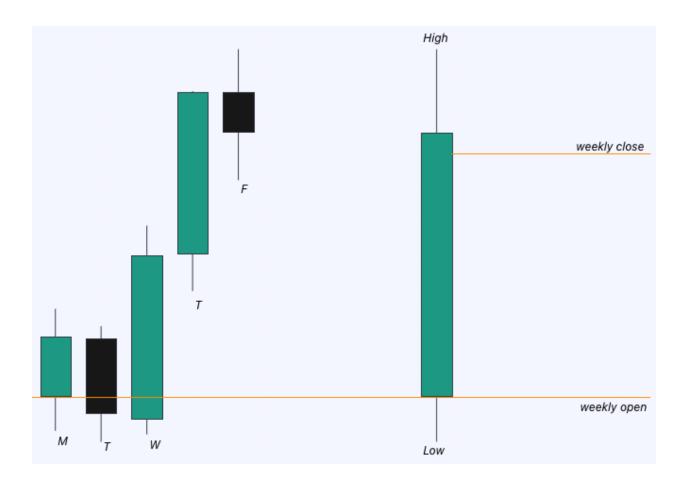
This lesson will help you engage price when the market provides bullish expansion scenarios. By the end of it, you should have an understanding of what is required of price for you to engage in bullish expansion trade setups.

Recall, price moves in one of 4 ways: consolidation, expansion, retracement or reversal. So these bullish expansion trade setups will form with the anticipation that the weekly profile will be expanding in the UP direction.



H1 Chart

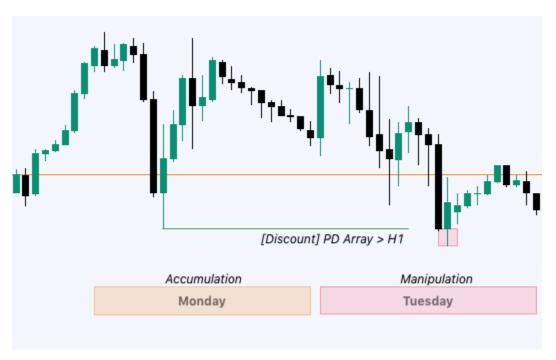
Here is the same weekly candle shown alongside the daily timeframe:



Conditions for a Bullish Expansion Week

Low of week to form [Mon-Tues]

- [Mon] observe for price to accumulate or drop into a discount array (W, D, H4, H1)
- [Tues] observe for price to drop into into discount array (W, D, H4, H1) and 'reverse' (news)



H1 Chart

Reversal to Expansion [Tues-Thurs]

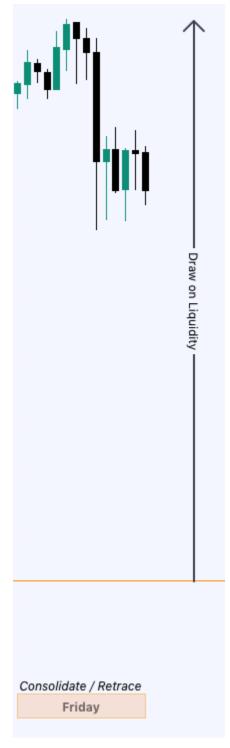
- [Tues] observe for price drop into into discount (news), 'reverse', attempt expansion [possible engagement LTF]
- [Wed] engagement of price to expand (news) → objective premium array (H1, H4, D, W)
- [Thurs] engagement of price to expand (news) → objective premium array (H1, H4, D, W)



H1 Chart

Expansion to Retracement [Thurs-Fri]

- [Thurs] observe for price to hit premium objective → then consolidate or retrace
- [Fri] observe for price to hit premium objective → then consolidate or retrace



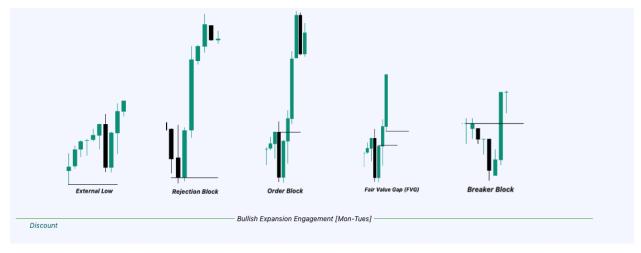
H1 Chart

The entire week's profile then can be looked at as is (hourly chart shown):



H1 Chart

Engagement of Price - Discount PD Array



H1 Charts Shown

This is how our structure should form in the discount PD Array

- Price drops into a discount (H1≥PD Array)and forms an external low for the week
- From here, price will 'reverse' and from the rejection block

- With displacement, you get your first order block to form
- Further displacement will create a FVG to follow that order block
- Once price takes out an old high, you have your formation of a breaker block or mitigation block

This is the sequence in which structure should always form in a discount PD Array when expecting a bullish expansion profile to the upside. Within this sequence (\geq H1), you will find multiple LTF (\leq m15) entries at each structure formation.

So you are looking for price to form the low of week on [Mon-Tues], where you should see the rejection block and order block form (hourly chart). Your FVG comes next with further displacement. Once price displaces above an old high (≥H1 Array), this results in a market structure shift and allows for a breaker block/mitigation block to form.

From the 2022 mentorship, you have been taught to play order blocks, FVG's and breaker blocks. Once a breaker block forms on [≥ H1 and H4] charts, you have your change in the state of delivery of price/order flow for the week. This is when bullish order flow really begins to pick up speed.



H1 Chart: Rejection block shown being respected with the [Tuesday] low of week. This leads into a breaker block to form with [Wednesday] expansion higher.

Framework for Engagement of Price

[Low of week]

- → Avoid Monday engagement. If price takes off, indicates lower probability setup
 - \rightarrow Price may form low on a Monday, if that's the case, you engage price on Tuesday
 - \rightarrow You want this day to accumulate within a range (high probability)
- → Tuesday should see price drop lower into a discount ≥ H1 PD Array (manipulation)
 - \rightarrow If there is a failure to manipulate, indicates lower probability setup
 - \rightarrow Possible engagement of price ONCE rejection block forms (\geq H1 PD Array)
 - → LTF (≤ m15) charts should show breaker/fvg once hourly rejection and order block forms
 - → If Monday is the low, Tuesday will respect Monday's lows (lower probability w/o divergence)



This is a clear picture of avoiding Monday, waiting for Tuesday manipulation, THEN engaging price for the anticipated expansion UP using the discount PD Array.

[Expansion of Week]

- → Tuesday into Wednesday will provide an opportunity to add in the discount PD Array.
 - \rightarrow Then expect price to expand higher and provide the bulk of the weeks range [Wed/Thurs]
 - \rightarrow Down-closed candle (manipulation) that forms the rejection block on Tuesday shown by the rectangle outline on the m15 chart



m15 Chart

LTF m15 breaker block forms inside Tuesday's rejection block:



m15 Chart

Wednesday's equities open, price drops into the m15 breaker block, which is built inside the hourly rejection block on Tuesday. From here, price 'launches' towards premium objectives.



m15 Chart

As you can see on the chart, Wednesday provides the week's range expansion to the upside. The m15 breaker block confirms a LTF change in state of delivery. This allows you to play the weekly profile expansion to the UPSIDE. Starting from the right, the weekly candle, daily candle, and hourly time frame, are all shown together to illustrate the Wednesday expansion UP from Tuesday's reversal.



After Wednesday's expansion higher, you have an hourly breaker block that confirms a bullish change in the state of delivery from Tuesday's reversal. Heading into Thursday,

you want to see price manipulate into a discount ≥ H1 PD Array and repeat the move of Tuesday. That is, if you are still expecting higher prices, that is what should unfold.



And that is what unfolds! A repeat of Tuesday. Price accumulates overnight, drops into a discount ≥H1 PD Array (into Wednesday's expansion UP), forms a rejection block and then displaces higher. This displacement higher forms an order block, then a FVG, and eventually a breaker block. This breaker block signals a change in state of the delivery of price (price displaces through an old high = market structure shift). Price then retraces into the hourly FVG and breaker block/order block, and then EXPANDS higher again towards the premium D+W PD Array.

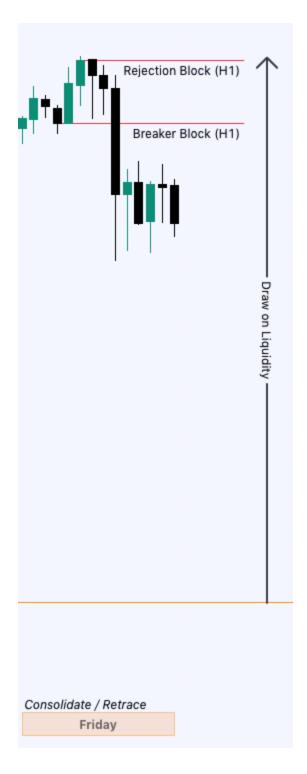
[Close of Week]

ICT calls it TGIF (Thank God it's Friday). This is a day where you expect price to react to a premium ≥ H4 PD Array and consolidate/retrace.



H1 Chat

This is shown here with Thursday delivering price to a deep daily and weekly premium followed by Friday doing the opposite of what Tuesday did. That is, price takes out an old high into a premium PD Array, it forms a bearish rejection block, then displaces lower forming a bearish order block with a bearish FVG, and eventually forms a bearish breaker block.



The displacement through the old hourly low leads to the formation of the bearish breaker block. This indicates a change in the state of delivery of price. This tells us that price has met the premium objectives and is now entering a possible retracement/reversal phase. You may have Friday make a higher high before signalling

a retracement/reversal (in the current example, this is what happens), OR, Friday doesn't make a higher high and it stays inside the range of Thursday's price action.

If you think of the weekly candle, we have formed our OLHC for a bullish expansion week profile.

Summary

[Low of Week]

- → Monday accumulation
- → Tuesday manipulation, reversal from discount [news]*
- → Wednesday-Thursday distribution, expansion UP [news]*
- → Friday, TGIF, external range into internal range [news]*
- \rightarrow Use \geq H1 PD Arrays + discount array engagement to determine whether bullish order flow is being respected.
- → Engage price with respect to day of week, and time of day (your killzones + news).

*[news] is a form of time. When you combine \geq H1 PD Arrays (market structure) with how news is setup for the week, you can paint the picture of how price should do (x) in order to achieve (y). News will inject volatility and help drive price towards the objective. As long as the \geq H1 PD Arrays are being respected, the volatility will support order flow in expanding price UP in a bullish expansion weekly profile.

[Side note: Knowing when price is likely to expand comes from knowing the IPDA highs and lows of the past 20, 40, and 60 days to projecting it forward 20, 40, 60 days (Lesson 13). Combining this with CoT data will help you paint the picture of what price is likely to do on a HTF].

Special Thanks:

Twitter: amtrades

He released an amazing piece on the weekly profile from which I derived the visual inspiration to create this PDF (long overdue). Definitely check out all of his material from his twitter. He has a great way of visually representing ICT concepts with simplicity.

Here is the link for _amtrades weekly profile guide (vol 1): https://drive.google.com/file/d/1YHcrWIYZthgVZwqUfOjz5UW4jWelCLtm/view