# The Application of MPT in DFS Roster Selection

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### Overview

- Introduction (this, happening now)
- Problem Statement
- Building the Model
- Comparing Collections
- Further Development

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### Contest Submission

- Select 8 players competing that day
- Stay under the salary cap (\$50k/\$60k)
- Submit before contest deadline

# Contest Entry

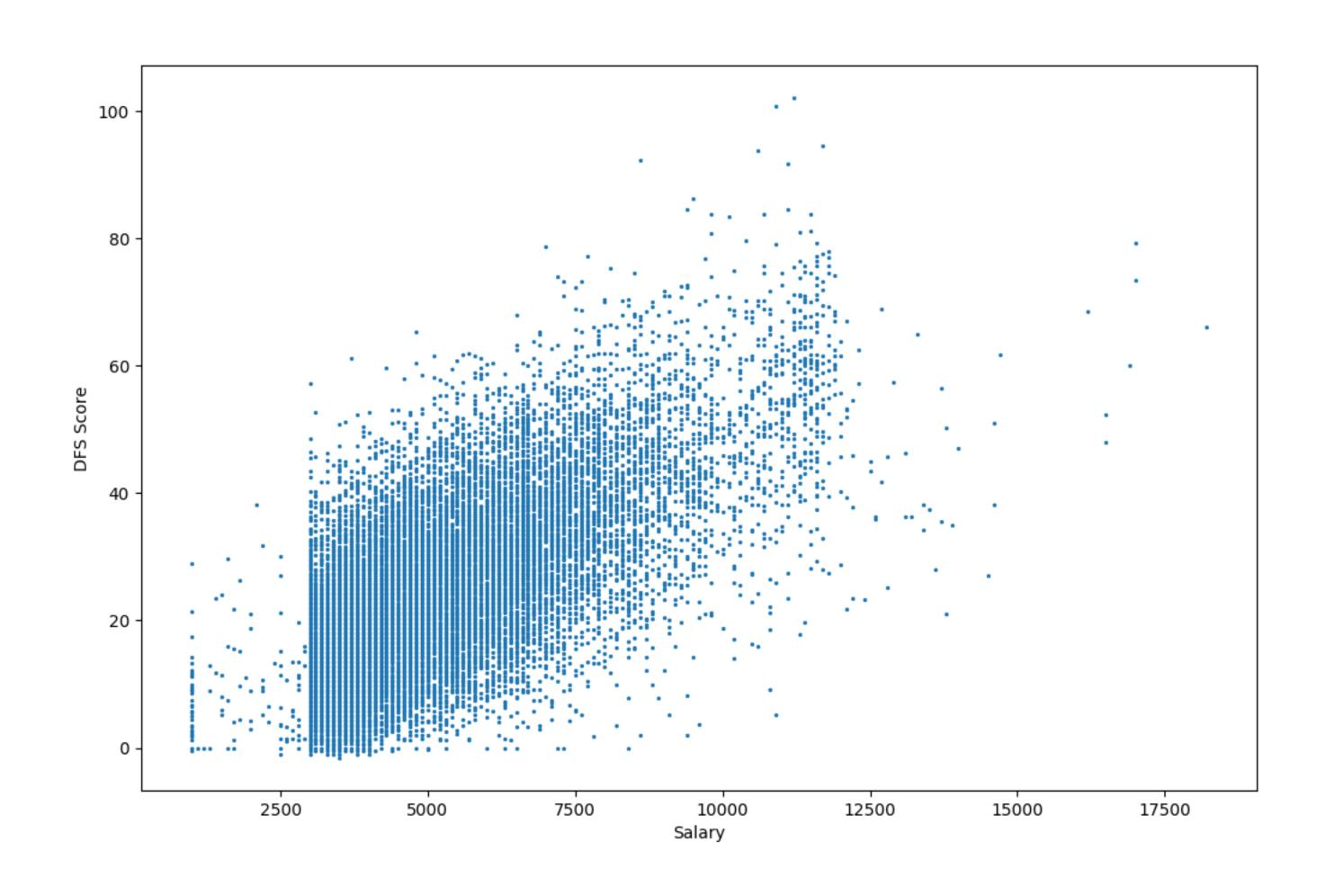
- 1 Point Guard (PG)
- 1 Shooting Guard (SG)
- 1 Small Forward (SF)
- 1 Power Forward (PF)
- 1 Center
- 1 Guard (PG/SG)
- 1 Forward (SF/PF)
- 1 Util (Any)



# Player Scoring

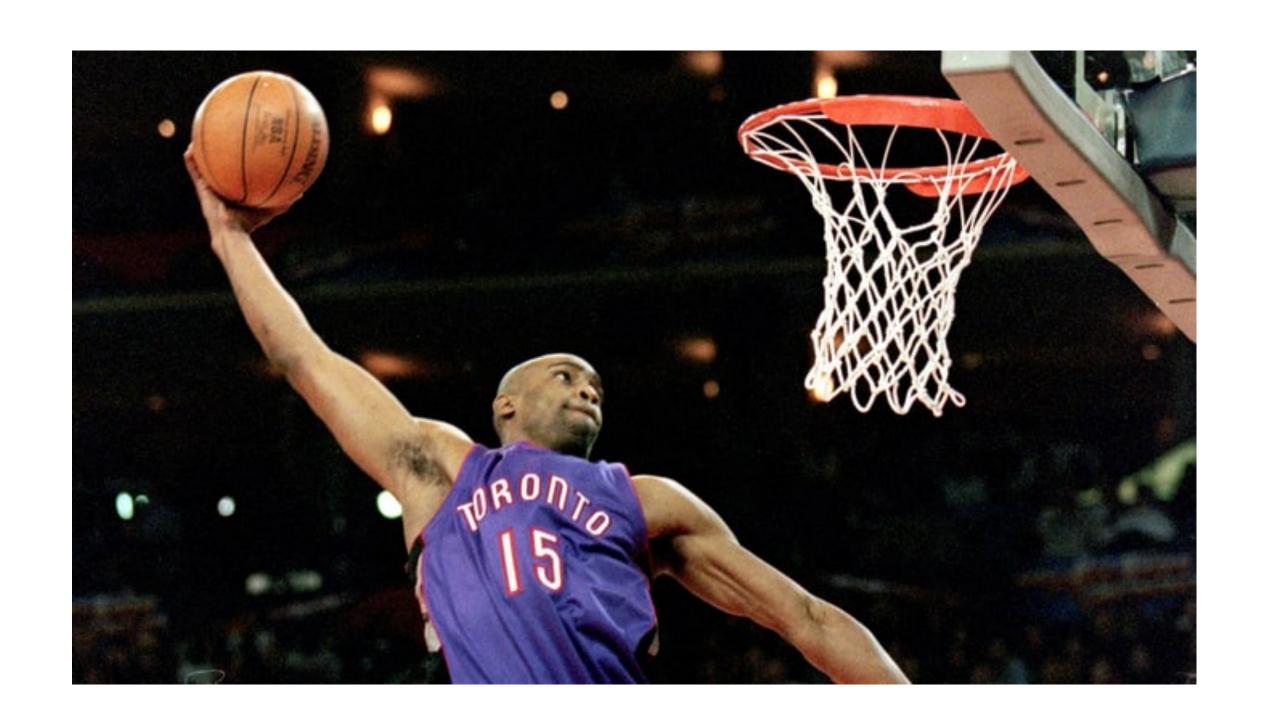
| +1    | Point             |
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| +0.5  | 3-Point Shot Made |
| +1.25 | Rebound           |
| +1.5  | Assist            |
| +2    | Steal             |
| +2    | Block             |
| -0.5  | Turnover          |
| +1.5  | Double-Double     |
| +3    | Triple-Double     |

# Salary vs. Score





|                           | Equity(39840 [TSLA]) | Equity(5061 [MSFT]) | Equity(8347 [XOM]) |
|---------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 2013-01-03 00:00:00+00:00 | 34.760               | 26.479              | 86.197             |
| 2013-01-04 00:00:00+00:00 | 34.380               | 25.974              | 86.537             |
| 2013-01-07 00:00:00+00:00 | 34.335               | 25.926              | 85.593             |
| 2013-01-08 00:00:00+00:00 | 33.700               | 25.761              | 86.060             |
| 2013-01-09 00:00:00+00:00 | 33.610               | 25.916              | 85.807             |
| 2013-01-10 00:00:00+00:00 | 33.530               | 25.703              | 86.752             |



Portfolio

Contest Roster

"Stock Price" vs. "Player Salary"

"Portfolio Returns" vs. "Player Score"

### Roster Characteristics

$$EV = \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i \mu_i$$

$$VAR = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} X_i X_j \sigma_{ij}$$

$$X_i >= 0, i = 1, 2, 3 \dots 8$$

### Basketball?

- Same scoring rubric for all positions
- Many games in a season
- High percentage of active playtime per player
- High frequency at which the ball changes hands

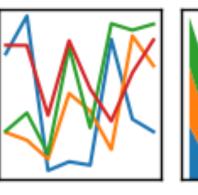
### Implementation









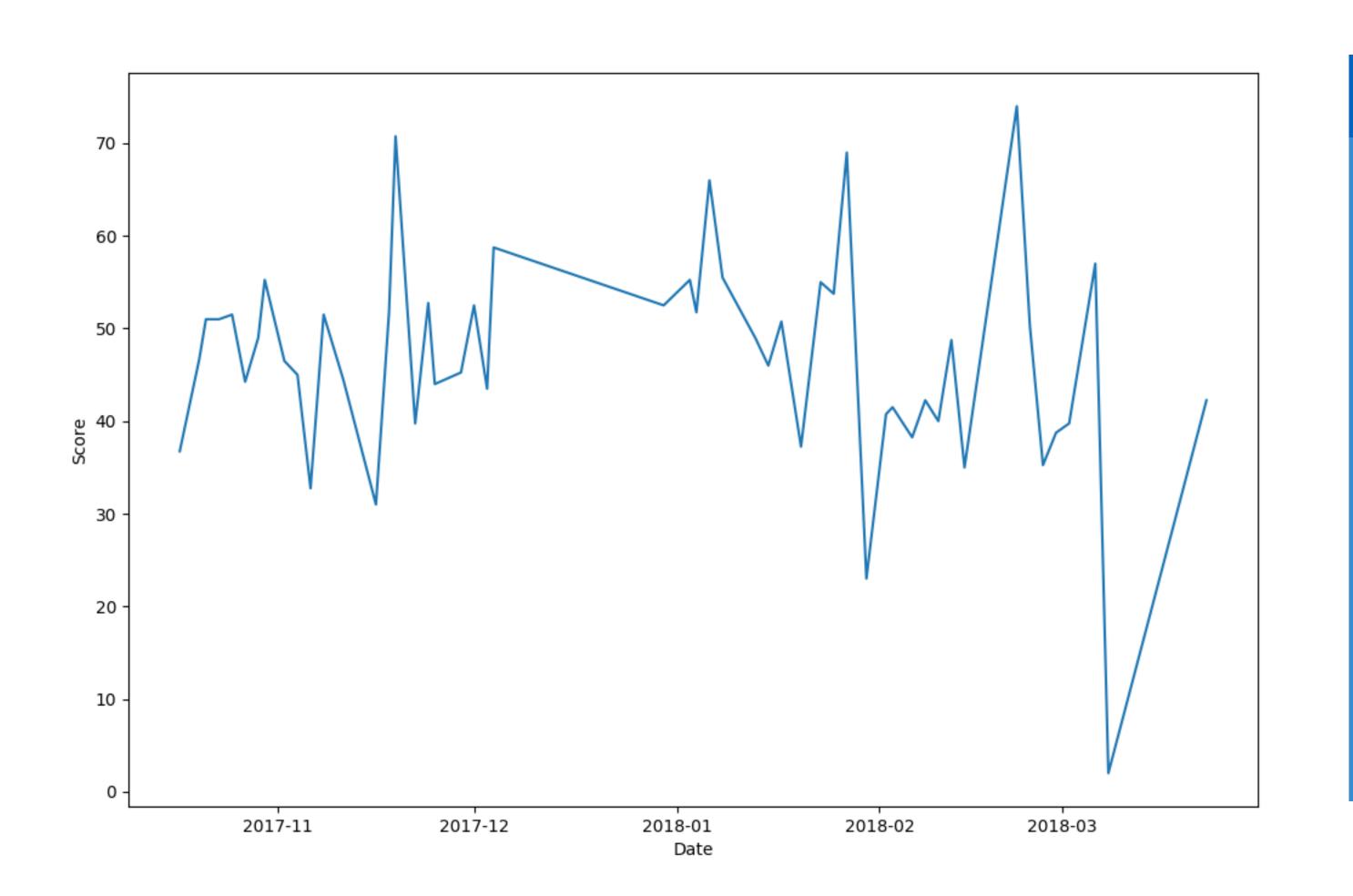






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# Stephen Curry Regular Season



#### Summary

|       | score | salary |
|-------|-------|--------|
| count | 51    | 51     |
| mean  | 46.8  | 9564.7 |
| std   | 11.8  | 626.4  |
| min   | 2     | 8100   |
| 25%   | 40.4  | 9100   |
| 50%   | 46.8  | 9500   |
| 75%   | 52.5  | 10000  |
| max   | 74    | 10600  |

### Roster Combinations

| Position | Count |
|----------|-------|
| PFS      | 11    |
| SGS      | 24    |
| SFS      | 20    |
| CS       | 3     |

712800 Roster Combinations

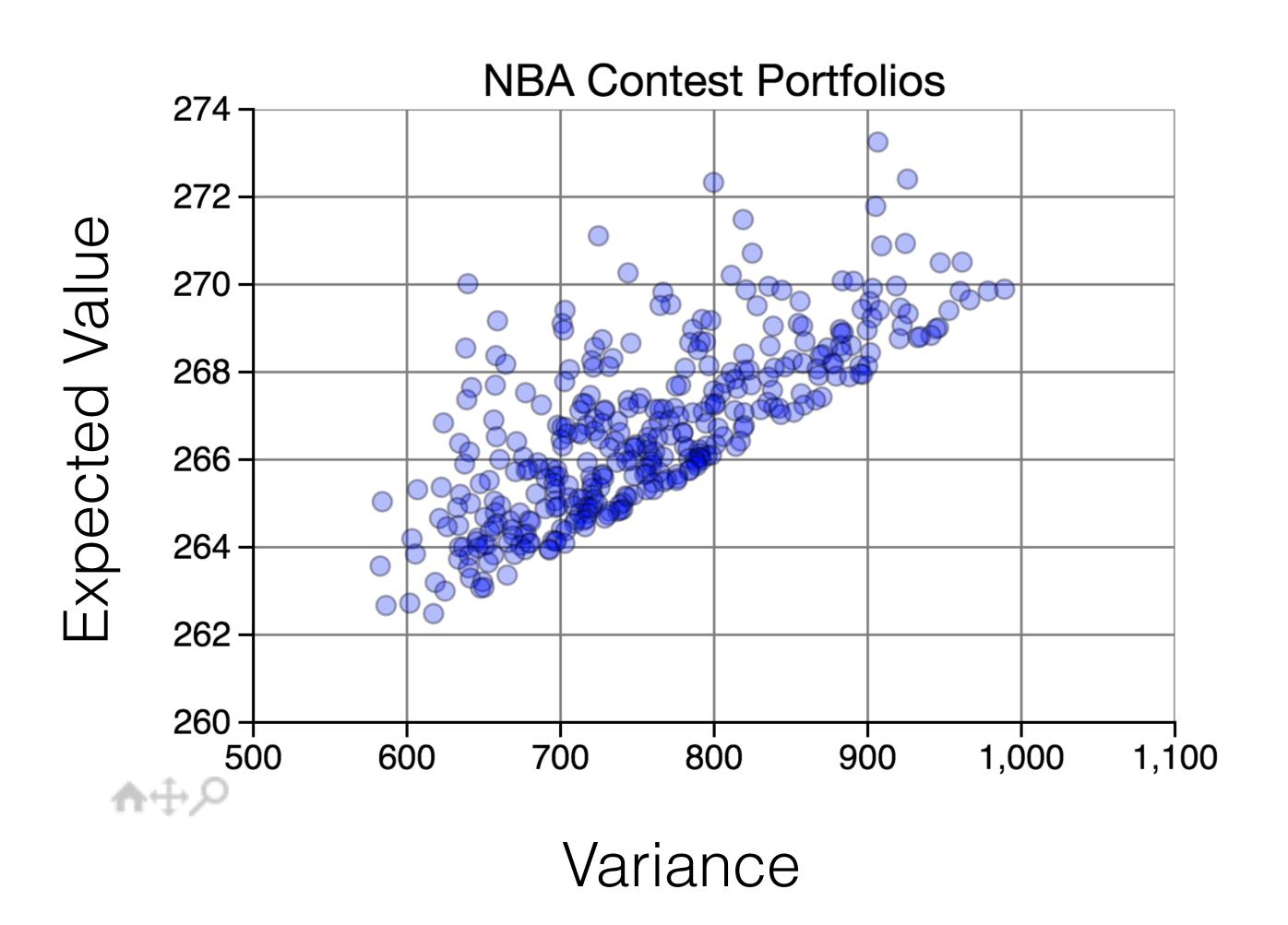
### Portfolio Details

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|     | С                | Cost  | Expected | PF1               | PF2              | PG1               | PG2              | SF1             | SF2                | SG1              | SG2            | Variance |
|-----|------------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------|----------|
| 249 | Jahlil<br>Okafor | 59900 | 273.253  | Thaddeus<br>Young | Dirk<br>Nowitzki | Brandon<br>Knight | Ishmael<br>Smith | LeBron<br>James | T.J. Warren        | Evan<br>Fournier | Eric<br>Gordon | 906.561  |
| 289 | Jahlil<br>Okafor | 60000 | 272.33   | Kevin Love        | Dirk<br>Nowitzki | Ishmael<br>Smith  | Jarrett<br>Jack  | LeBron<br>James | T.J. Warren        | Evan<br>Fournier | Eric<br>Gordon | 799.604  |
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# Selecting A Portfolio



# Featured Contest Payouts

| Place     | Prize     | Place          | Prize |
|-----------|-----------|----------------|-------|
| 1st       | \$100,000 | 36th-60th      | \$300 |
| 2nd       | \$40,000  | 61st-90th      | \$200 |
| 3rd       | \$20,000  | 91st-120th     | \$150 |
| 4th       | \$10,000  | 121st-160th    | \$100 |
| 5th       | \$4,000   | 161st-210th    | \$70  |
| 6th       | \$3,000   | 211th-280th    | \$60  |
| 7th-8th   | \$2,000   | 281st-380th    | \$50  |
| 9th-10th  | \$1,500   | 381st-530th    | \$40  |
| 11th-12th | \$1,000   | 531st-780th    | \$35  |
| 13th-15th | \$700     | 781st-1280thh  | \$30  |
| 16th-20th | \$600     | 1281st-2440th  | \$25  |
| 21st-25th | \$500     | 2441st-5100th  | \$20  |
| 26th-35th | \$400     | 5101st-12150th | \$15  |

Entry Fee: \$10 Max number of entries 52.K

## Double Up Contest Payouts

| Place     | Prize |
|-----------|-------|
| 1st-750th | \$4   |

Entry Fee: \$2 Max number of entries 1724

### Further Development

Vegas Odds

Risk Model

Hedging and featured contests

Player style classification

Classify team play styles

### Available Tables

| players    |
|------------|
| name       |
| team       |
| birth_date |
| height     |
| weight     |

| team_game_log |
|---------------|
| name          |
| abbr          |
| game_date     |
| opponent      |
| home          |
| win           |
| points        |

| player_game_log |
|-----------------|
| name            |
| position        |
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