- Algorithms
  - Look at general trends for the past 5 years
    - Ex: Apple releases a new iphone every June, so stock prices increase every june 8, etc.
    - o Look at current trends
  - Only look past the economic recession in 2008
  - Issues
    - Price kept increasing...
      - Exponentially started increasing
    - o How to exclude any data outliers
      - Ex: The price radically shot up; uncharacteristic of the typical stock
    - Somehow incorporate the GDP and any other indicators of an economy
      - Larger GDP, more stock market growth
        - GDP Smooth curve, stock market isn't
        - Derivative of the GDP (Change in slope)
        - When GDP has radical rate of growth slower than normal, stock market "corrects" itself and prices go down
        - Have an algorithm that accounts of all externalities
          - Brexit, terrorist attacks, weakening of the EU
      - Ex: when the stock market shot up before the recession, would there have been a way to have know that it wasn't sustainable?
        - Compare stock market to historical P/E ratios (price earning)
          - Was typically 12-14 but when increased to 17-18, it's more dangerous
        - "Herd mentality"
    - How do I account for inflation, interest rates, etc.
      - Inflation doesn't have a trackable trend; don't incorporate it
      - If people think FED will make a change, stock markets responded dramatically
      - FED Attacks unemployment & inflation
        - If Markets expectations FED easing of monetary policy
      - FED raises rates over a shorter time span than the market
      - Unemployment has a limit
  - Factors
    - Work Productivity:
      - GDP divided by the number of hours worked
      - Productivity refers to the resources available to the workers
    - Change weight of indicators based off of events