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Thought I would provide elaboration to my post concerning the Dark Pool and how Stefanie provides them as tips for trades.

To begin with, what we DO not see in the case of GME or AMC is the blatant manipulation of trades to neutralize the price. If you did see a large order, it would normally be a lump buy or sale of retail to manipulate the purchase going through at a set price.

What does "print" quite frequently very large buy or sale orders ( really don't know the intention or the purchaser) at that time. Let's say BOA wanted to buy 2M shares of APPL. At that time, in the pool, all one can see the order and the price. This can be a spoof but let's stay with the n the up and up and they begin to collect shares at that price. What Stefanie teaches and anyone who can chart can draw a channel where anything below the line is a bearish move and above the line is bullish. One can't assume anything about is it a buy or sell until around 15 minutes after market open when things stabilize. Then one sets price targets along with Support, Resistance and Reversals. This data is used to day traders options based on stock movement. Since these are normally 1M or more share prints, they usually hit their first target and sometimes all of them.

Now that this simplistic explanation is out of the way, let's talk about GME or an AMC. One would normally never see these show up in the dark pool, especially before market open, but I began to see these pop up during large GME days back in FEB-MAR that were out of place. Then once AMC peaked, I again started seeing those prints popping up. It has been a while since I have seen GME pop up in the pool, but on the 22d of July, the following AMC prints were there for all to see. The channel was Bullish above 44.20 (TGT 44.79, 45.64)CR (46.61)R1 (47)20 EMA & Bearish below 40 (TGT 39.50, 39, 38.50, 38)CS (37.35)S1 The prints for that day were (DP 44.11 1 mil) (42 1.8 mil) (50 1.2 mil) (52.37 2.3 mil) before market. On that day the low was \$37.15 so it dropped below Support but closed above. Why is this significant? Because the GME and AMC orders that are nefarious never seem to be seen as standing out until AFTER the trading day and the percentage is released that traded through "A" dark pool. Notice I said "a" because there are multiples just like the exchanges. One can easily see if batches of orders were lumped at a price and traded through that means would allow for major manipulation and not what it was intended to allow — major fills of buy or sale orders without making the market swing wildly and allow an order of large size to be filled at a price.

Hope the community finds use or education in the above text. If one trades options, it can give an edge to which direction to make the play, however using them to manipulate does nothing more than allow the MM to neutralize or control price.

For GME and other "meme" stocks, I would highly recommend routing orders directly to an exchange. Stay away from PFOF brokers and the faster we will see the true prices and stock action occur. Peace and have a blessed Sunday.