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Supply Chain Analytics

Global Dual Sourcing Strategy

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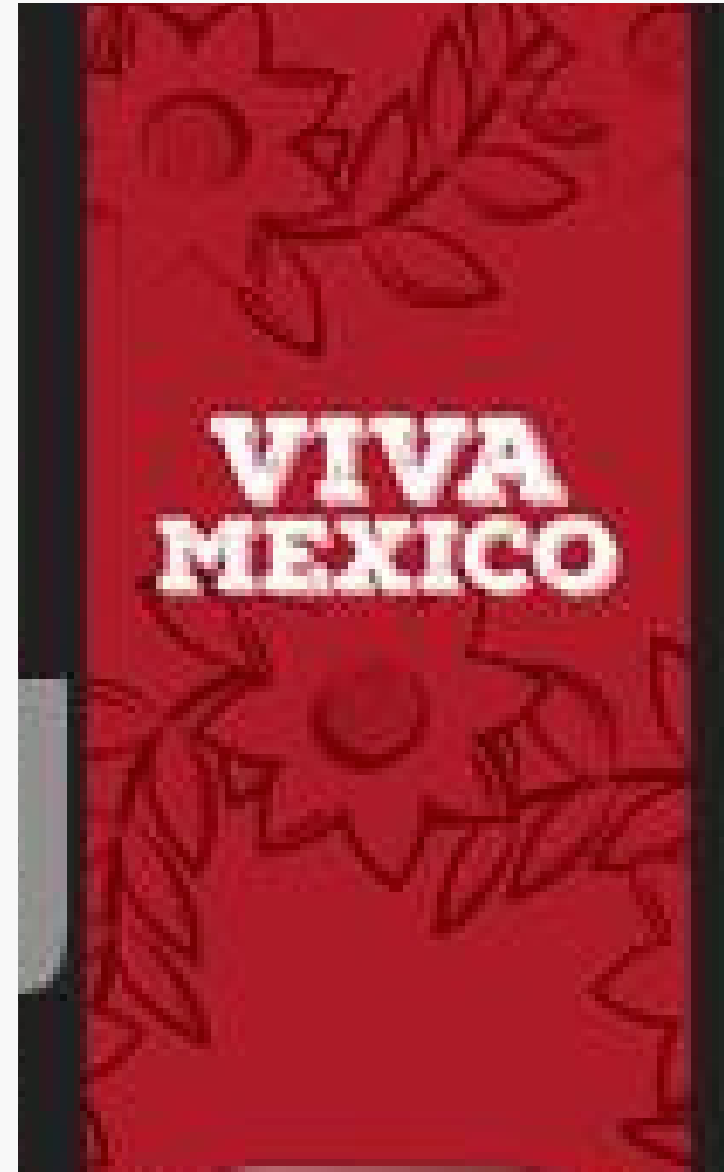
Single Sourcing Strategy for
Mexico & China

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Comparison of Strategies

Introduction

Objective: To maximize the ending bank account value by deciding on a global dual sourcing strategy.



Financial Data

Sales Price: \$10/unit

Sourcing Costs:

- Mexico: \$8/unit
- China: \$7.25/unit

Financial Rates:

- Cash earns: 1% per period
- Debt costs: 1% per period

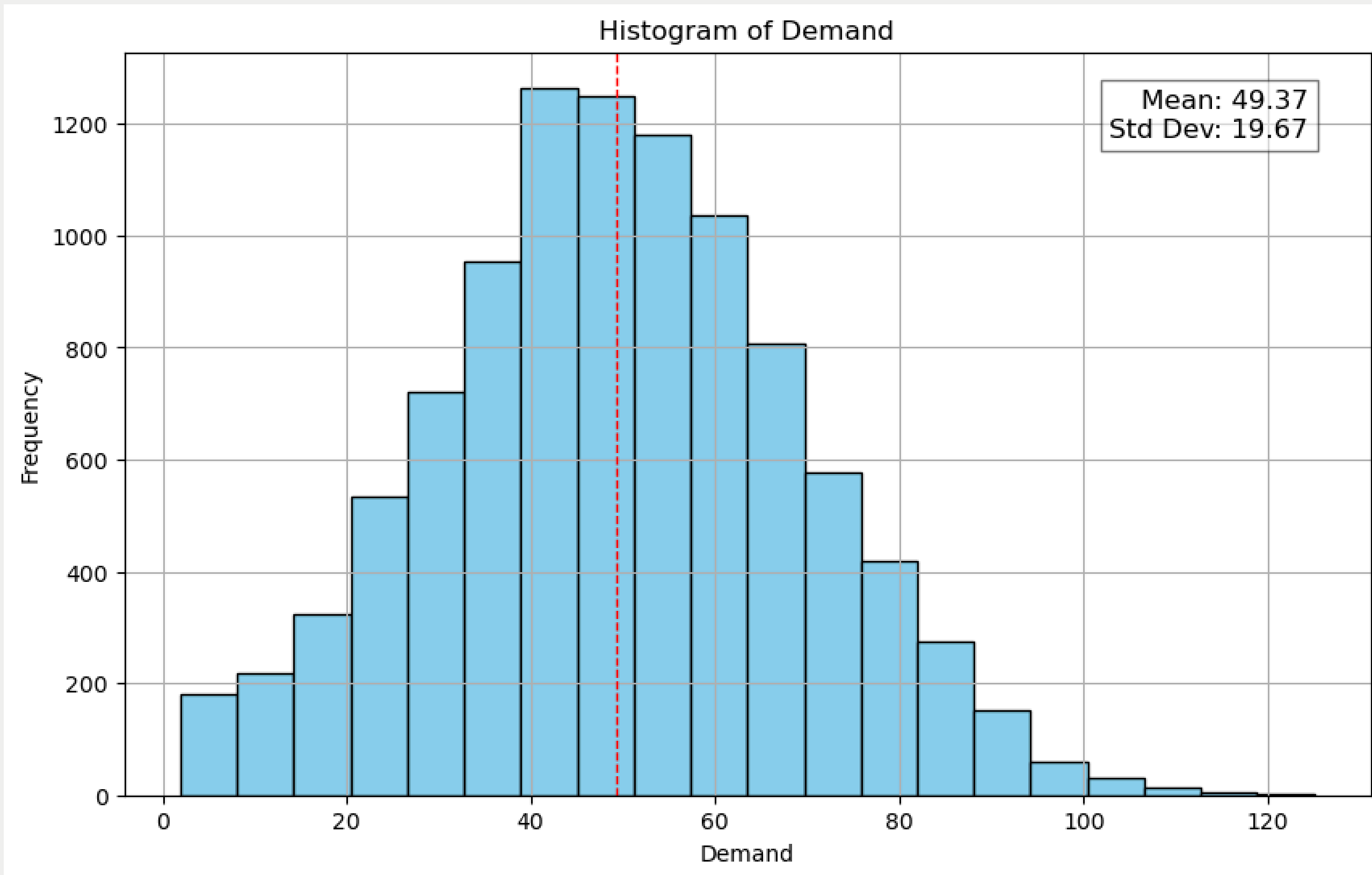
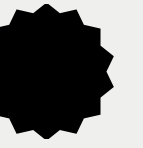
Order Lead Times

Mexico: Orders received and available *next* period

China: Orders received *after 4* periods

Initial Cash Balance: \$0

Demand Distribution



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Mexico

Assumptions:

1. No holding costs
2. No order costs
3. Continuous review

Lead Time: 1 days

Lead Time Demand: 1 x
49.372 ~ 49 units

Cu: \$10 - \$8

Co: \$8

Service Level: 0.20

Safety Stock: 20 percentile
daily day average ~ -16 units

ROP: LtD + SS ~ 33 units

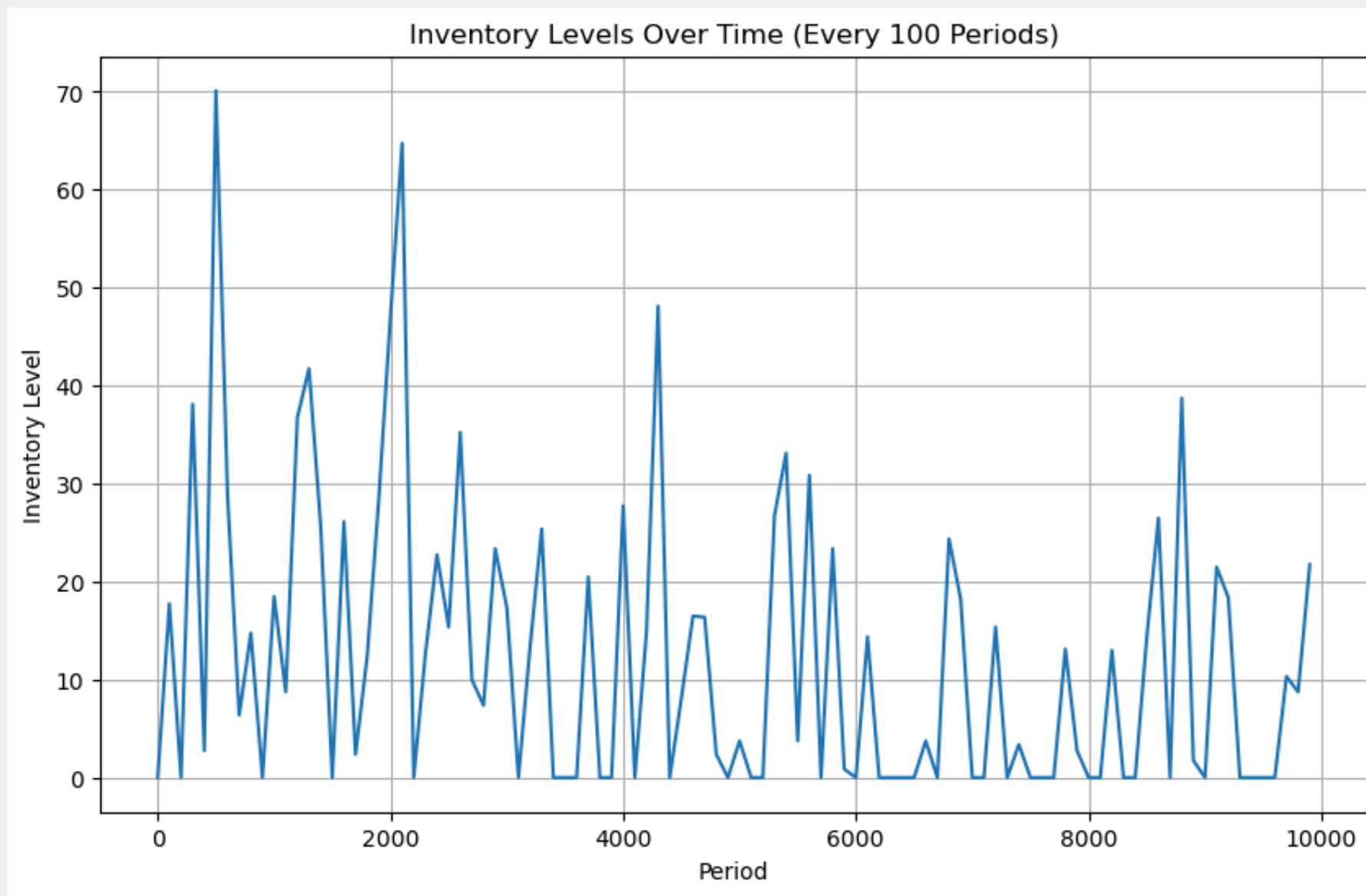
Service Level: 0.95

Safety Stock: 95 percentile of
daily average ~ 32 units

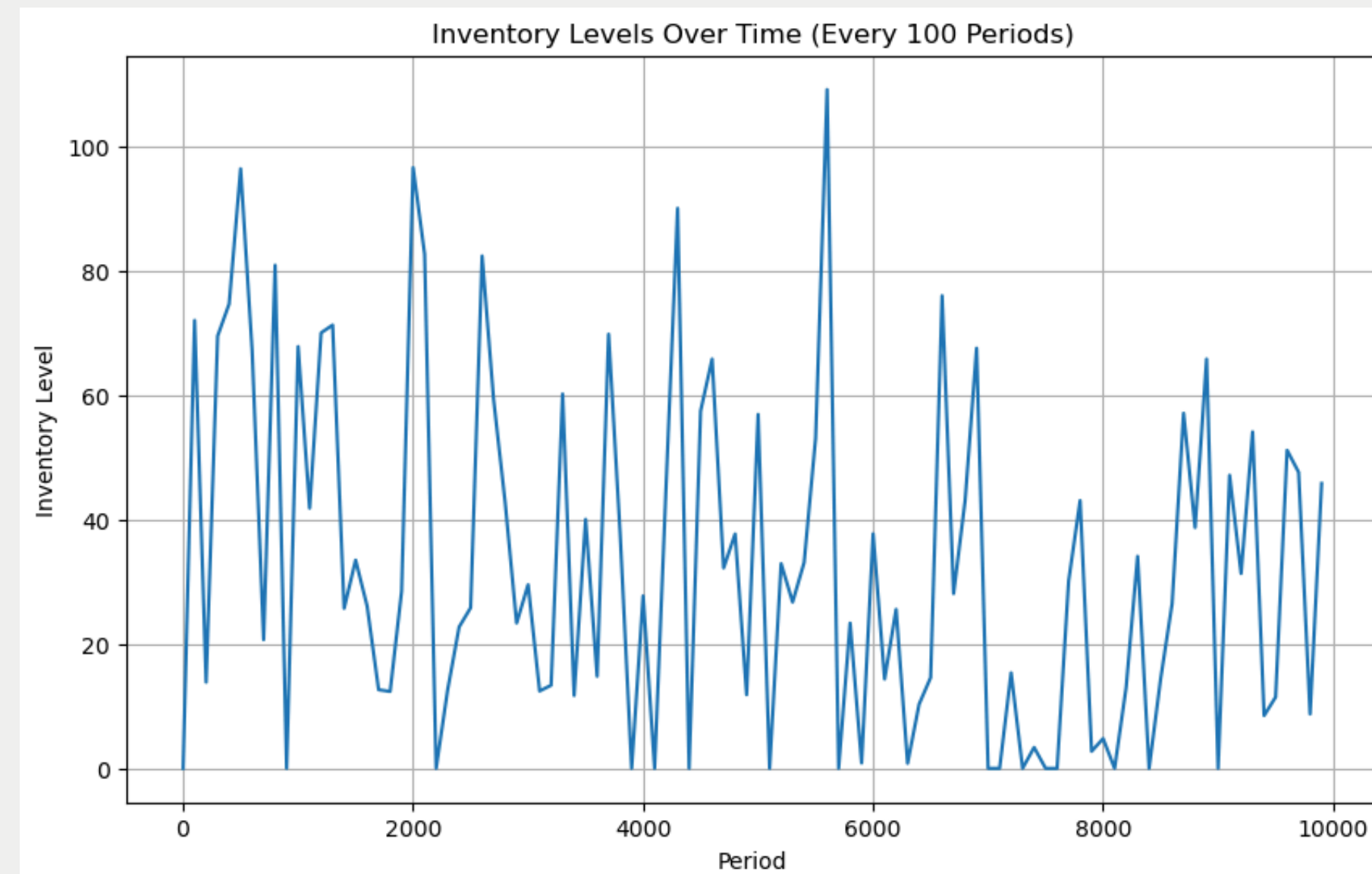
ROP: LtD + SS ~ 82 units

Inventory Plots - Mexico

Service Level: 0.2



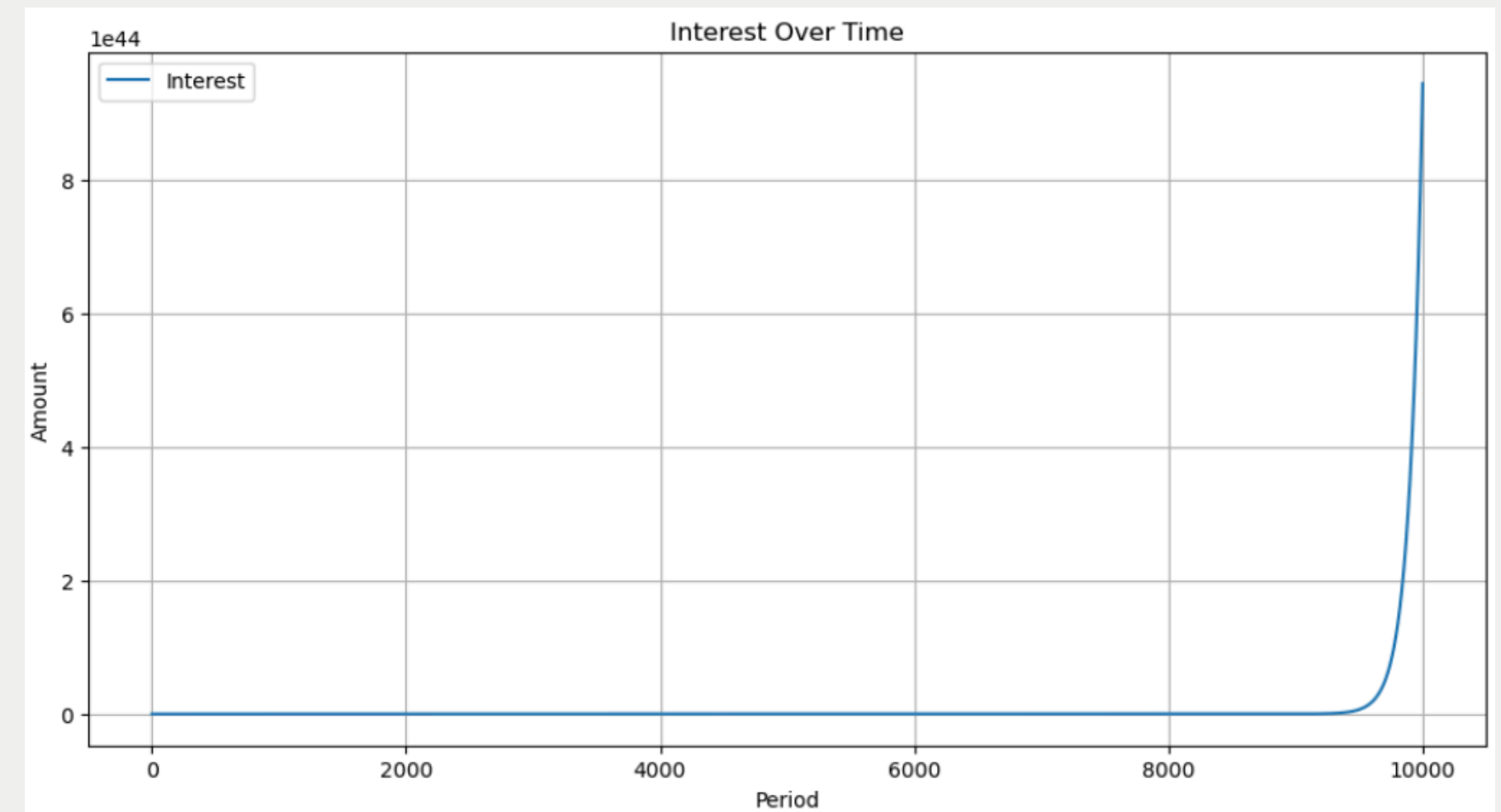
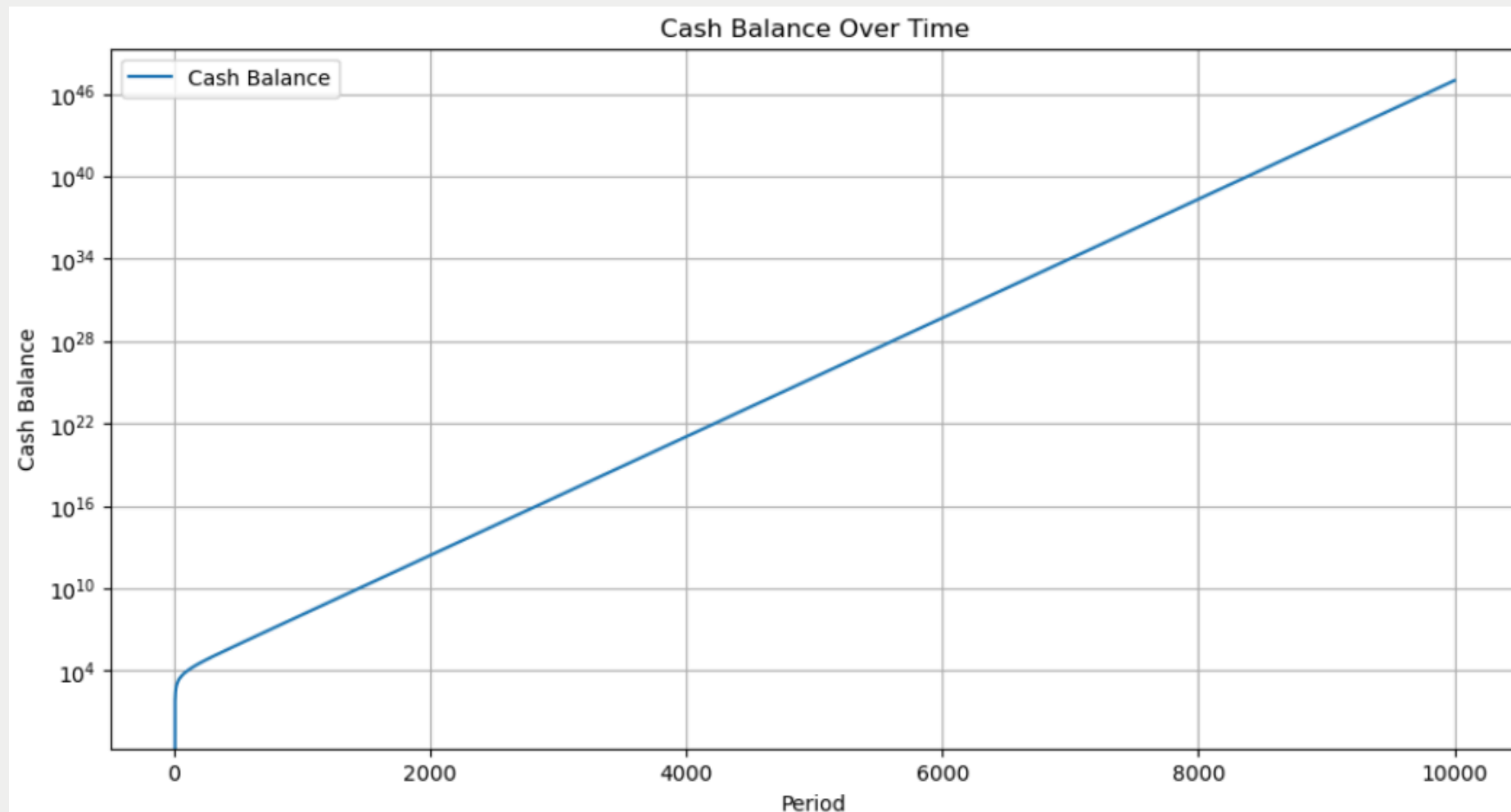
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Cash Balance Plots - Mexico

Plotted cash balance using log scale

Service Level: 0.2



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China

Assumptions:

1. No holding costs
2. No order costs
3. Continuous review

Lead Time: 4 days

Lead Time Demand: 4 x
49.372 ~ 197 units

Cu: \$10 - \$7.25

Co: \$7.25

Service Level: 0.275

Safety Stock: 27.5 percentile
of 4 day lead time average ~
-23 units

ROP: LtD + SS ~ 174 units

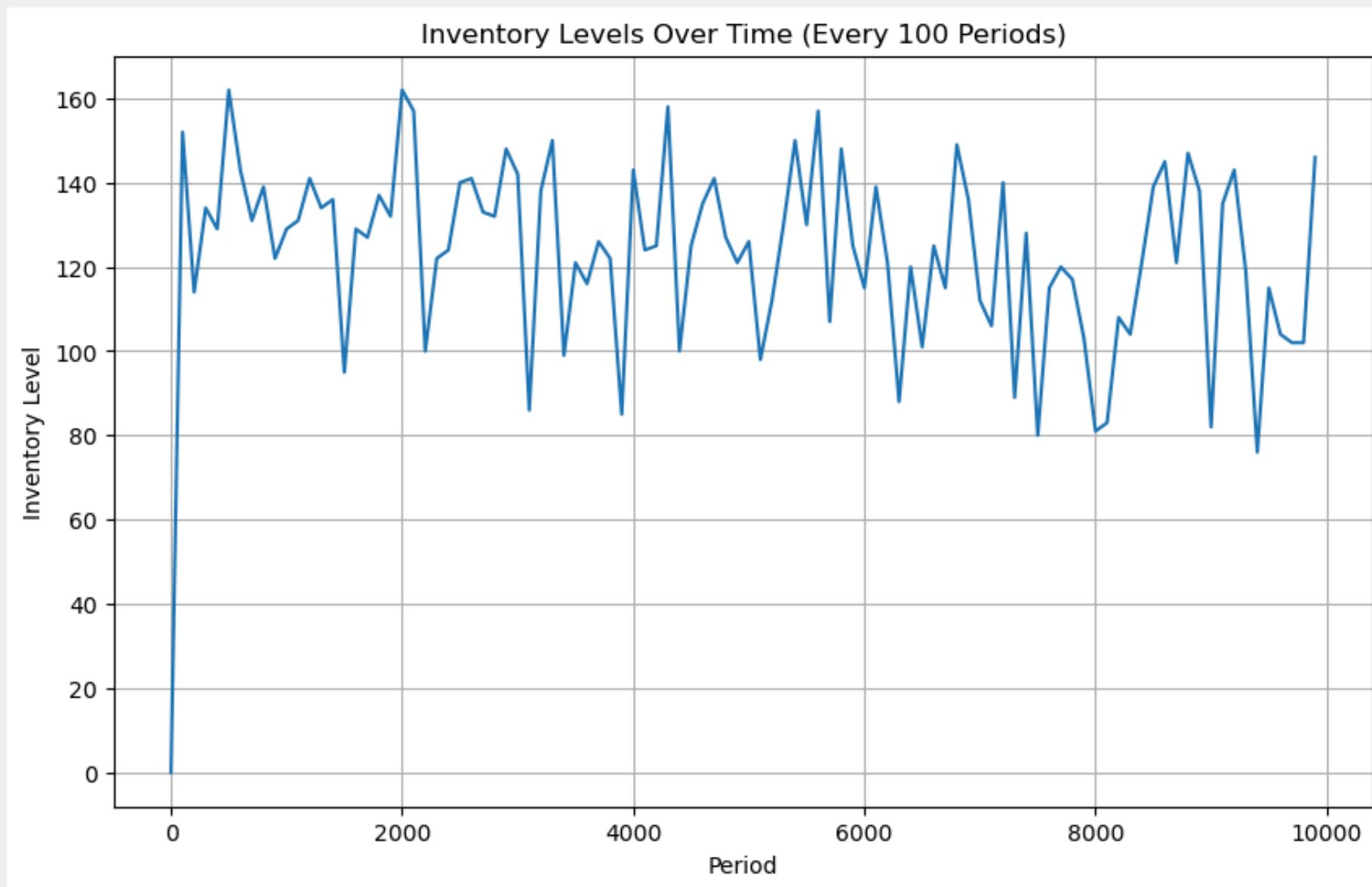
Service Level: 0.95

Safety Stock: 95 percentile of
moving 4 day average ~ 65
units

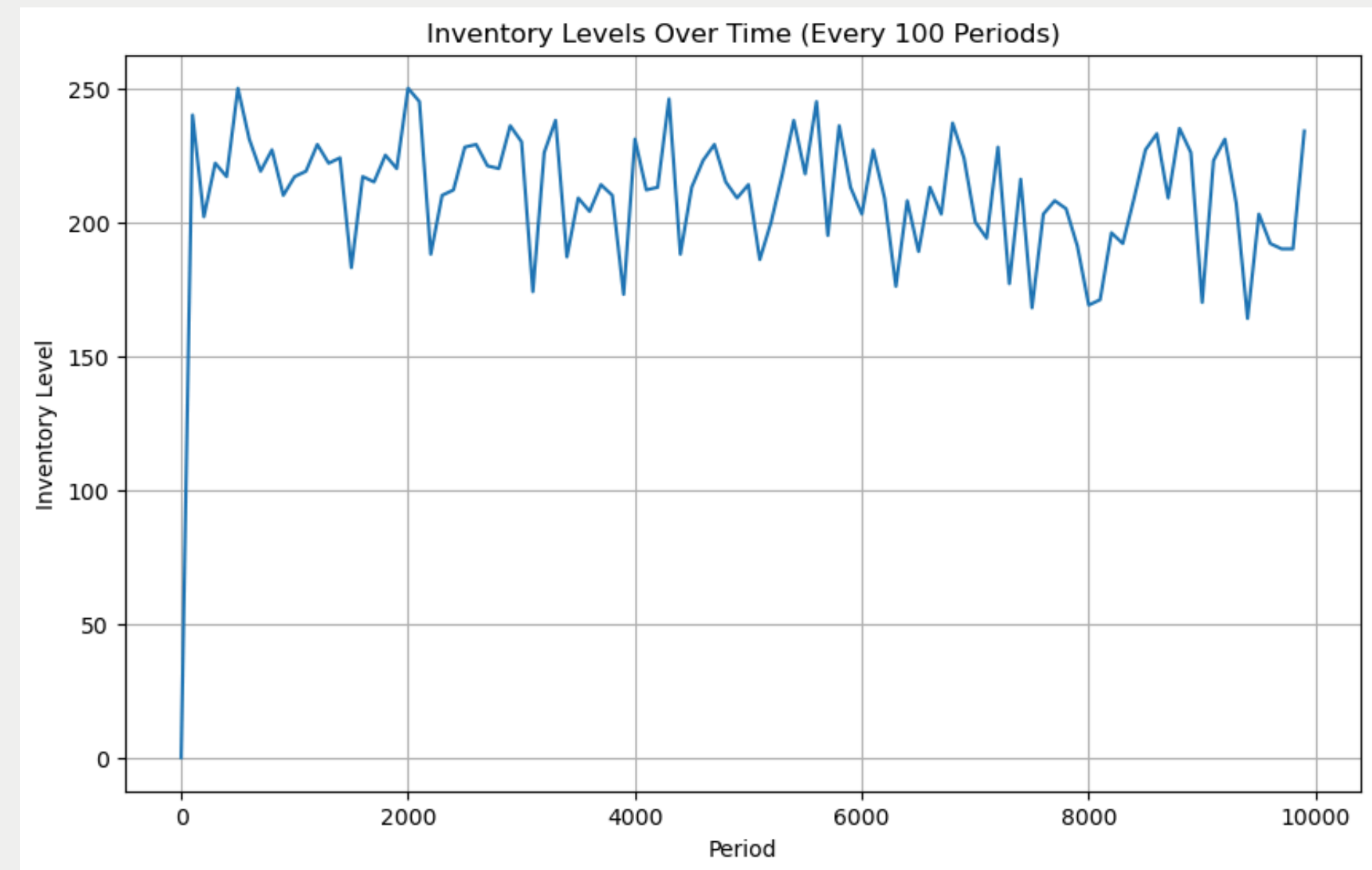
ROP: LtD + SS ~ 262 units

Inventory Plots - China

Service Level: 0.275



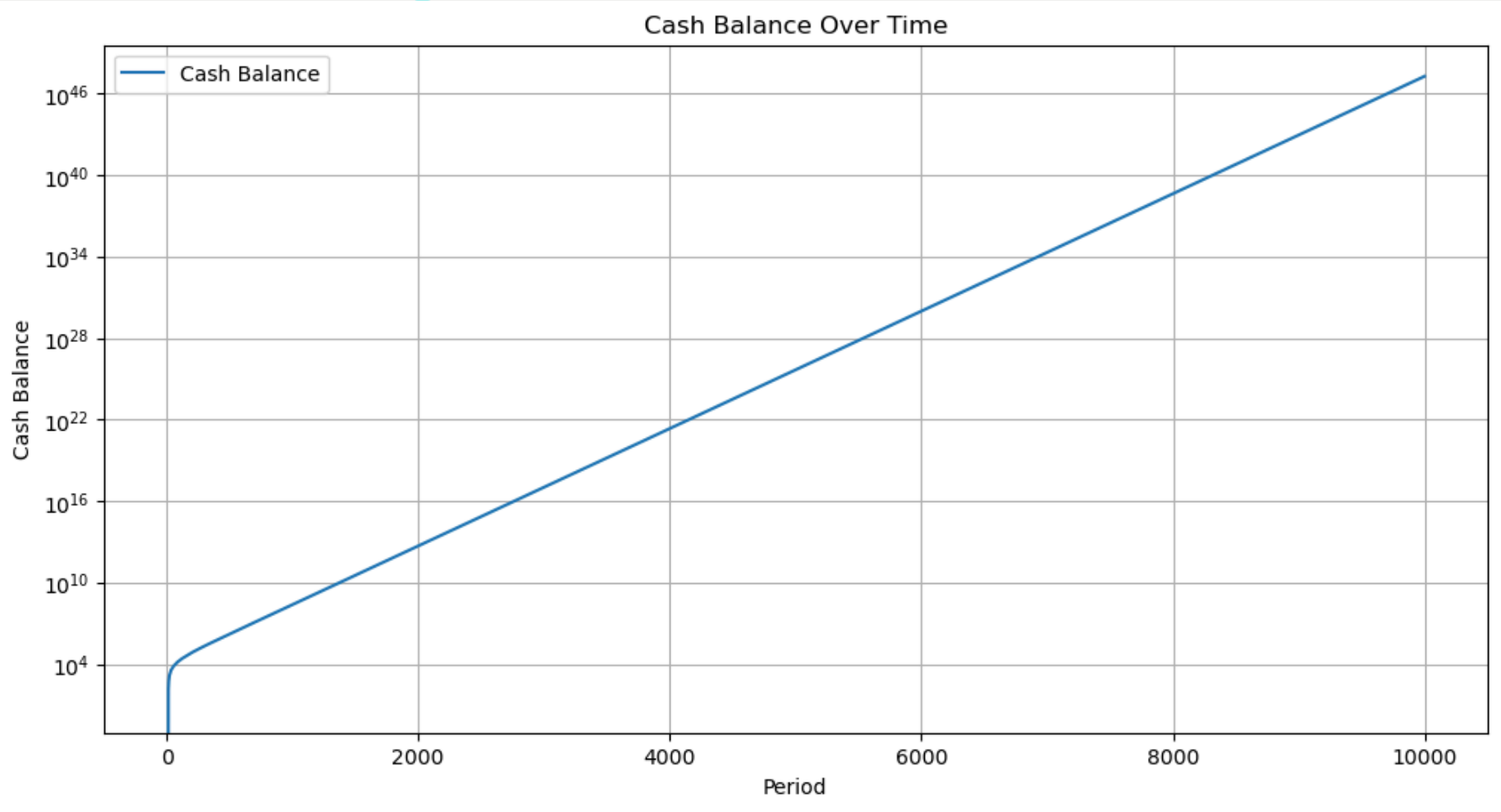
Service Level: 0.95



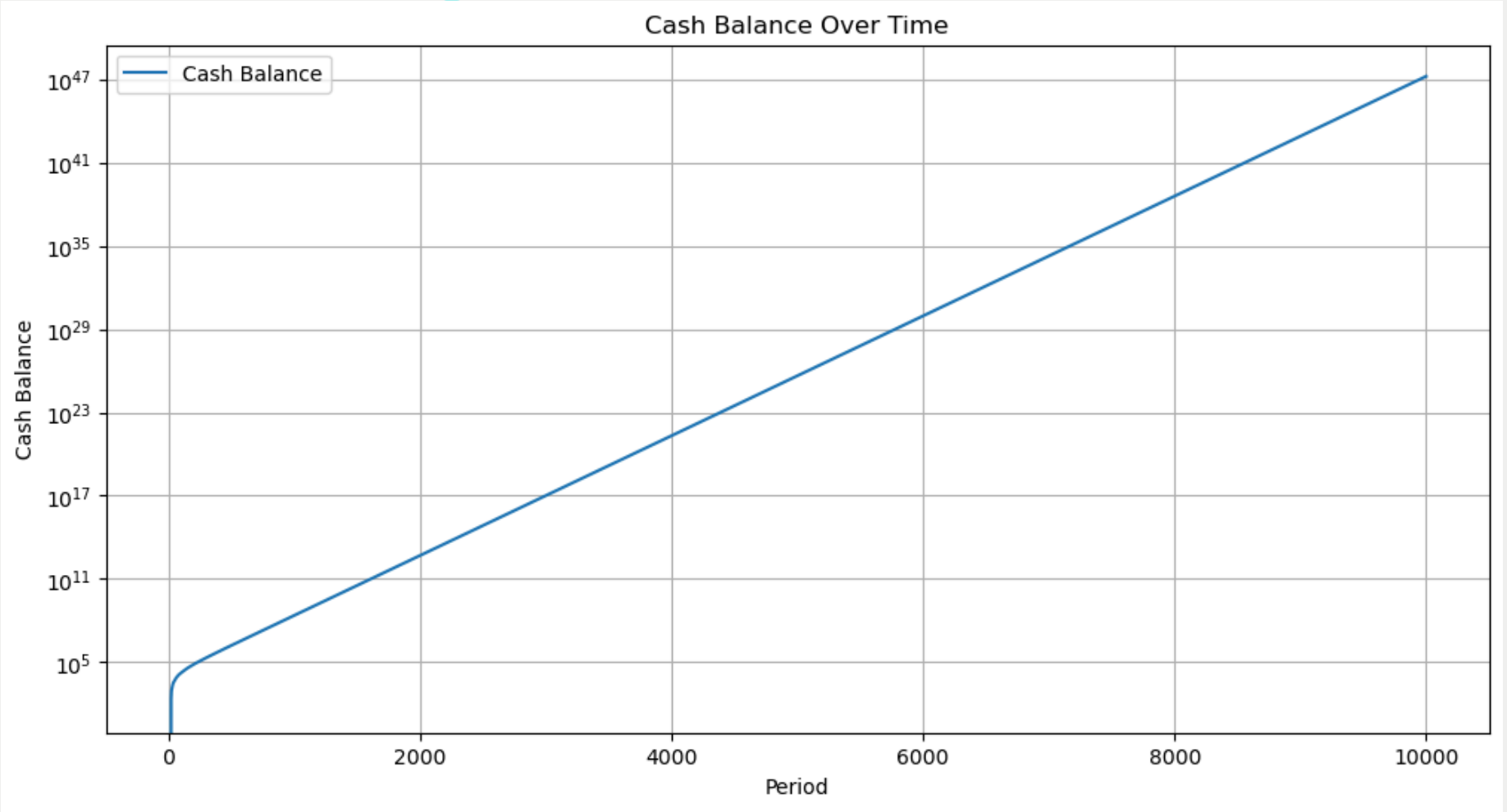
Cash Balance Plots - China

Plotted cash balance using log scale

Service Level: 0.275



Service Level: 0.95



Sourcing Simulation

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When setting SL based on cost of under and over stocking:

Mexico Ending Balance =
9.536132936710321e+46

China Ending Balance =
1.8714399397219125e+47

2

When setting SL based on industry standard:

Mexico Ending Balance =
1.449745686862104e+47

China Ending Balance =
1.794790276818095e+47

Order Quantity

If current inventory + incoming orders < ROP, then make an order.

Order quantity is determined by forecasted LtD to prevent stock outs while waiting for next shipment.

Bank Balance

Bank Balance = (Previous balance + sales - order costs)*.01

Positive ending balance earns 1% interest, while negative ending balance earns 1% debt.

Inventory Levels

Beg Inv = current inventory - current demand + incoming orders

End Inv = Beg Inv - sales qty

The current demand is satisfied by what was in the inventory at the beginning of the day.

Profits

Revenue = min(demand, inventory) x \$10

Costs = order qty x unit cost

Profits = revenue - costs per period

Q Dual Sourcing Strategy

Combining Quick Replenishment from Mexico and Cost-Effective Bulk Orders from China:

- Place timely orders with Mexico to quickly address immediate demand needs, ensuring the supply chain remains responsive to short-term fluctuations.

Reorder Point (ROP): 81.728 units

Safety Stock (SS): 32.356 units

Lead Time: 1 period

- Leverage longer lead times with China for cost-effective bulk orders planned in advance, optimizing costs by anticipating predictable demand patterns.

Reorder Point (ROP): 262.200 units

Safety Stock (SS): 64.712 units

Lead Time: 4 periods

Optimize costs by planning for predictable demand patterns with longer lead times.

Inventory Management:

- Inventory levels are continuously monitored.
- Orders are placed when inventory falls below ROP.
- Safety stock ensures buffer against demand variability and lead time.

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Cash Flow Management:

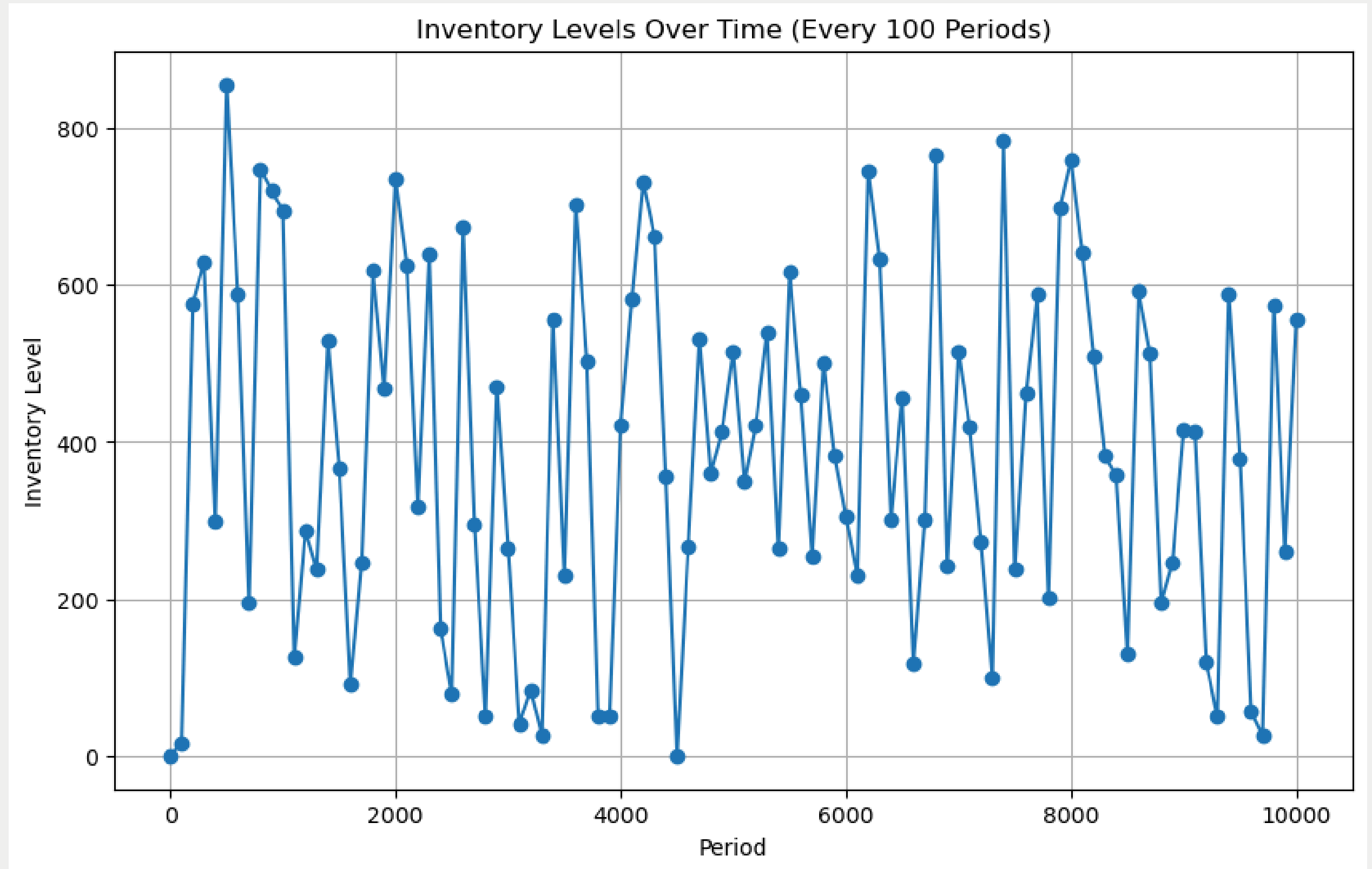
Cash balance is updated based on sales revenue and order costs.
Interest or debt costs are applied to maintain financial stability.

Table 1: Summary of Simulation Outcomes for Sourcing Strategies

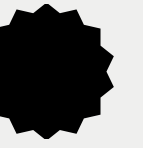
Strategy	Final Cash Balance	End Inventory Level	Notes
Sourcing from Mexico	$\$9.54 \times 10^{46}$	Efficient levels	Minimal overstocks
Sourcing from China	$\$1.87 \times 10^{47}$	125 units	Scaling issues noted
Dual Sourcing	$\$6.96 \times 10^{47}$	Balanced levels	Enhanced cash flow stability

Dual Sourcing Inventory

Dual Sourcing
Ending Balance =
6.96466471123976e
+47



Conclusion



The Dual Sourcing Strategy generally provided better financial results and more robust inventory management compared to single sourcing strategy for reasons such as:

- Effective Inventory Management
- Responsive Supply Chain
- Cost Optimization
- Cash Flow Stability
- Operational Efficiency
- Scalability

Thank you!

Have
a good
weekend!