

Arbitrage Strategies on Futures

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Touch events

Constant thresholds - (5, 10)

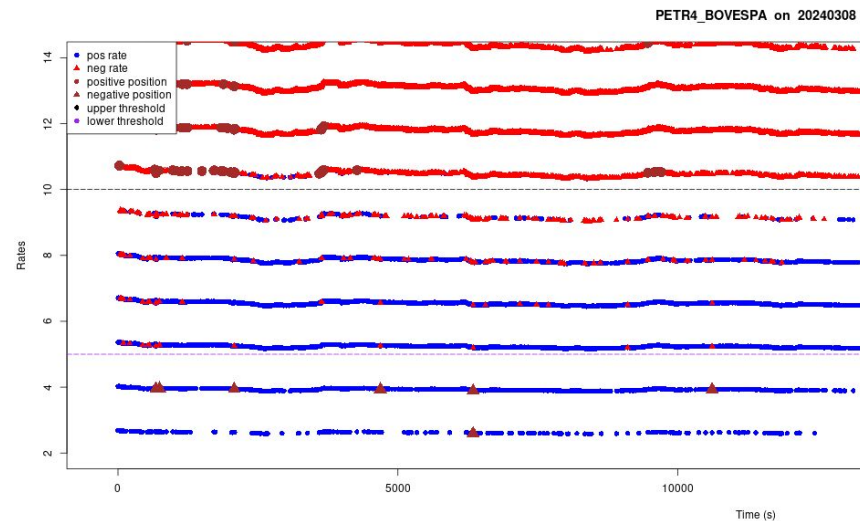
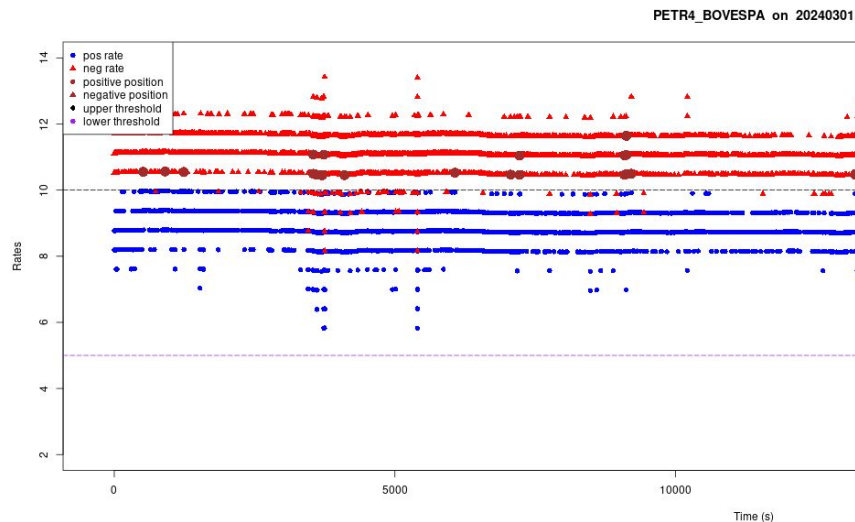
Profit = 11.17L (9.8 %)

Turnover = 40.47 Cr (1.26x margin)

Leaderboard

Strategy	Profit (in L)	Turnover (in Cr)
Const (5, 10)	11.17	40.47

Risk-free = 11.96L



**But, we are not liquidating
much, let us try to find better
thresholds**

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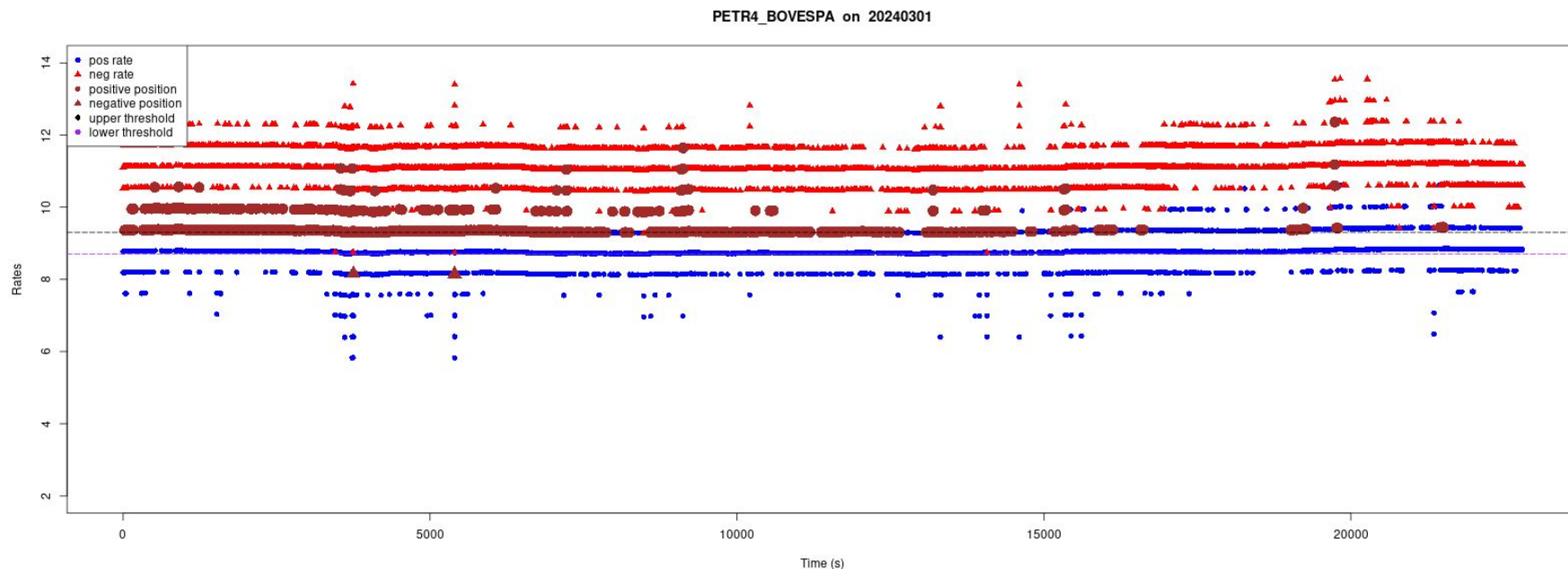
Constant thresholds - (8.7, 9.3)

Profit = 13.05L (11.46 %)

Turnover = 62.74 Cr (1.96x margin)

Leaderboard

Strategy	Profit (in L)	Turnover (in Cr)
Const (5, 10)	11.17	40.47
Const (9.3, 8.7)	13.05	62.74



**We have now performed a grid search
and have overfitted, we need
something that can generalise to the
given data, so we need statistics from
the data.....how about mean?**

Touch events

Running Mean - (+X, -Y)

Profit = 12.01L

Turnover = 35.78 Cr (1.12x margin)

Leaderboard

Strategy	Profit (in L)	Turnover (in Cr)
Const (5, 10)	11.17	40.47
Const (9.3, 8.7)	13.05	62.74
Rmean	12.01	35.78

X	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.005	0.011	0.012	0.013	0.014	0.015	0
Y	0.13	0.14	0.15	0.16	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0
Profit	11.03	11.85	11.88	11.88	11.62	11.87	12.01	11.16	10.23	9.21	-11.5
Turnover	49.6	38.8	35.8	34.86	36.9	35.69	35.78	34.45	31.59	28.37	268.68

**This is the mean over all days, not per day

Observations

1. Infinite window works best, any sliding window will have “smaller” prices and that will not be as profitable.
2. Mean “rate” window not good either, rates explode in either directions at the end
3. Exponential Moving average also performed worse because it is affected by recent price changes more, and we don't want that.

**The turnover is still quite less, let us
try changing the negative position
strategy....**

Touch events

Running Mean, Day 1 churning - (+X, S)

Profit = 12.17L

Turnover = 39.9 Cr (1.25x margin)

Go negative if:

$f_ask - s_bid < S * \text{avg price}$, $S \leq 1$

$S = \mathbf{0.9}$ on day 1, $\mathbf{0.1}$ on day ≥ 1

Leaderboard

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Const (5, 10)	11.17	40.47
Const (9.3, 8.7)	13.05	62.74
Rmean	12.01	35.78
Rmean(S0.9)	12.17	39.9

**Since rate keeps getting more volatile
with time, we need to get maximum
positions in minimum time.....choose
'top k' stocks with best rate.....**

Touch events

Running Mean, Top k stocks - (k)

Profit = 12.40L

Turnover = 38.75 Cr (1.21x margin)

Leaderboard

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Const (5, 10)	11.17	40.47
Const (9.3, 8.7)	13.05	62.74
Rmean	12.01	35.78
Rmean(S0.9)	12.17	39.9
Rmean(T4)	12.40	38.75

k	8	7	6	5	4
Profit	12.17	12.21	12.26	12.35	12.4
Turnover	39.9	38.53	38.59	38.77	38.75

**I am taking my position early on and
wasting the opportunities in the
forthcoming days.....why not churn?**

Touch events

Running Mean, Churn on last k days - (k)

Profit = 12.76L (11.2%)

Turnover = 73.19 Cr (2.29x margin)

+ve posn: $\text{Pos_mean} > \text{avg}(\text{pos_means}, \text{neg_means})$

-ve posn: $\text{Neg_mean} < \text{avg}(\text{pos_means}, \text{neg_means})$

Day 1, S = 0.99

Leaderboard

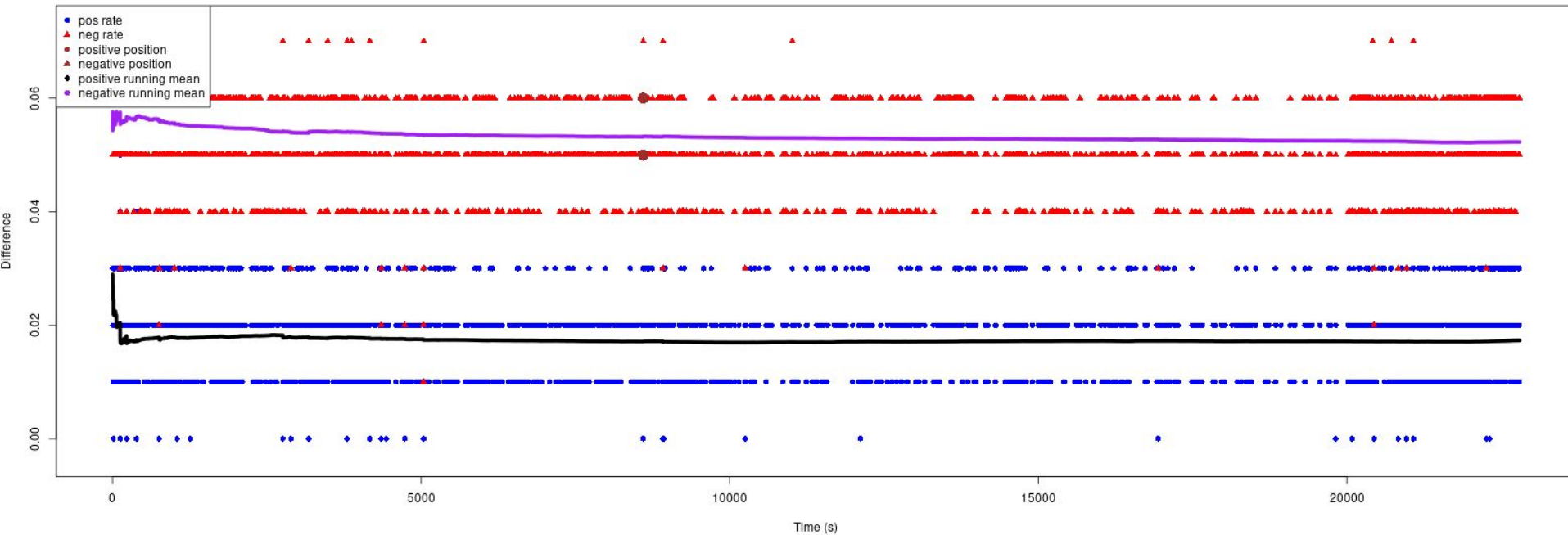
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Const (9.3, 8.7)	13.05	62.74
Rmean	12.01	35.78
Rmean(S0.9)	12.17	39.9
Rmean(T4)	12.40	38.75
Rmean(T4, L3)	12.76	73.19

k	0	1	2	3	4
Profit	12.42	12.48	12.72	12.76	10.67
Turnover	41.88	49.6	64.98	73.19	88.2

Touch events

Before Final Day churning

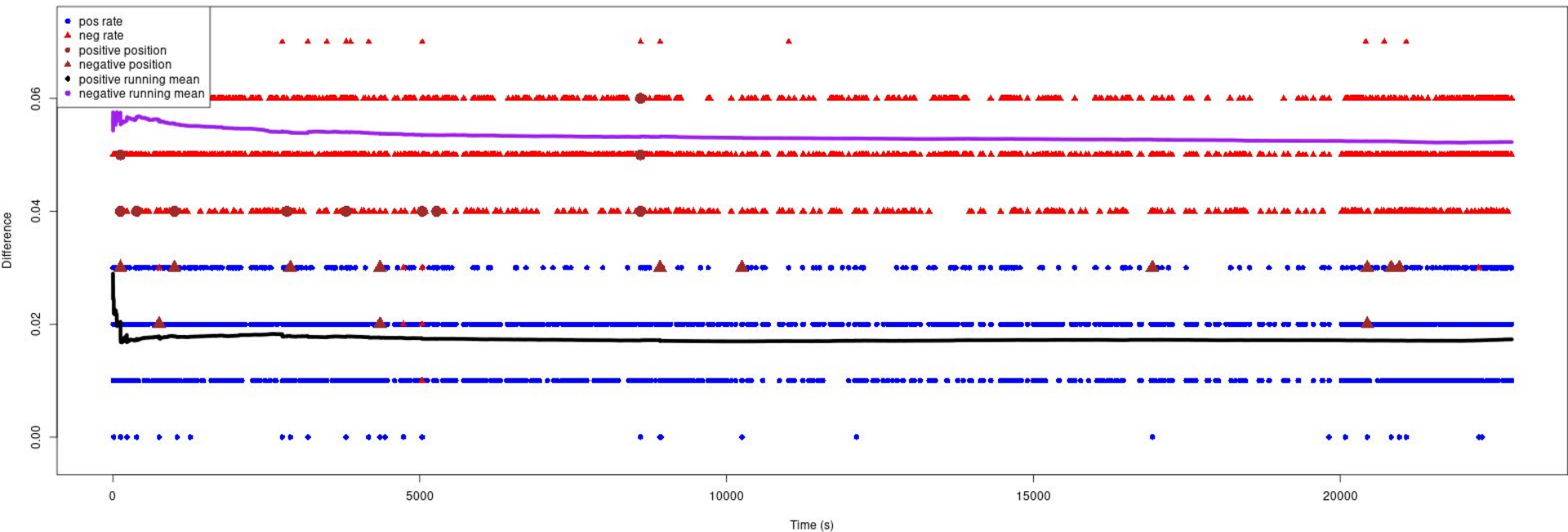
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Touch events

After Final Day churning

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Touch events

Final Strategy

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if(days==1){
    sell_fraction = 0.99
    buy_cond = (pos_diff > ticksize + pos_means[ind]) & (ind %in% top_8_indices)
    sell_cond = (neg_diff < avg_price[ind]*sell_fraction)
}
else if(days==2){
    sell_fraction = 0.1
    buy_cond = (pos_diff > 1.5*ticksize + pos_means[ind]) & (ind %in% top_8_indices)
    sell_cond = (neg_diff < avg_price[ind]*sell_fraction)
}
else if(days>=7){
    buy_cond = (pos_diff > (pos_means[ind] + neg_means[ind])/2)
    sell_cond = (neg_diff < (pos_means[ind] + neg_means[ind])/2)
}
else{
    buy_fraction = 0.9
    sell_fraction = 0.1
    sell_cond = (neg_diff < avg_price[ind]*sell_fraction)
    buy_cond = (pos_diff > neg_means[ind]*buy_fraction)
}
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Timer events

Constant thresholds - (5, 10)

Profit = 10.69L

Turnover = 38.11 Cr (1.19x margin)