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“Trade Successfully with Trend Following”

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Today's Agenda

- Who Am I?
- What is Trend Following?
- Does Trend Following Work?
- Different Methods of Trend Following
- Trend Following in a System
- Resources for Trend Following
- Questions and Answers



Who Am I?

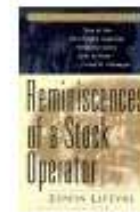
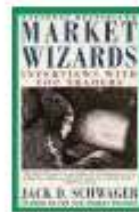
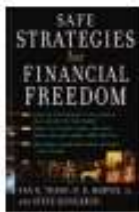
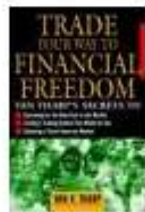
- **Futures Trader for 17 years**
- **World Cup Advisor since 2005**
- **2005 World Cup – 2nd Place (148%)**
- **2006 World Cup – 1st Place (107%)**
- **2007 World Cup – 2nd Place (112%)**

My Trading History

- During the first 10 years of trading, I spent a lot of “tuition” on trading schemes/ideas that did not work
 - Cowboy Trader “1-2-3” method >> **LOST \$**
 - Simple Moving Avg Cross >> **LOST \$\$**
 - “You Can’t Lose...” Method >> **LOST \$\$**
 - Averaging Down Method >> **LOST \$\$\$**

My Trading History

- **But, those early losses forced me to research the best traders and ideas**
 - **Market Wizards books**
 - **Other Classic Investing Books (visit my website!)**
 - **Van Tharp's Trading Psychology Courses**
 - **Turtle Trading Method**

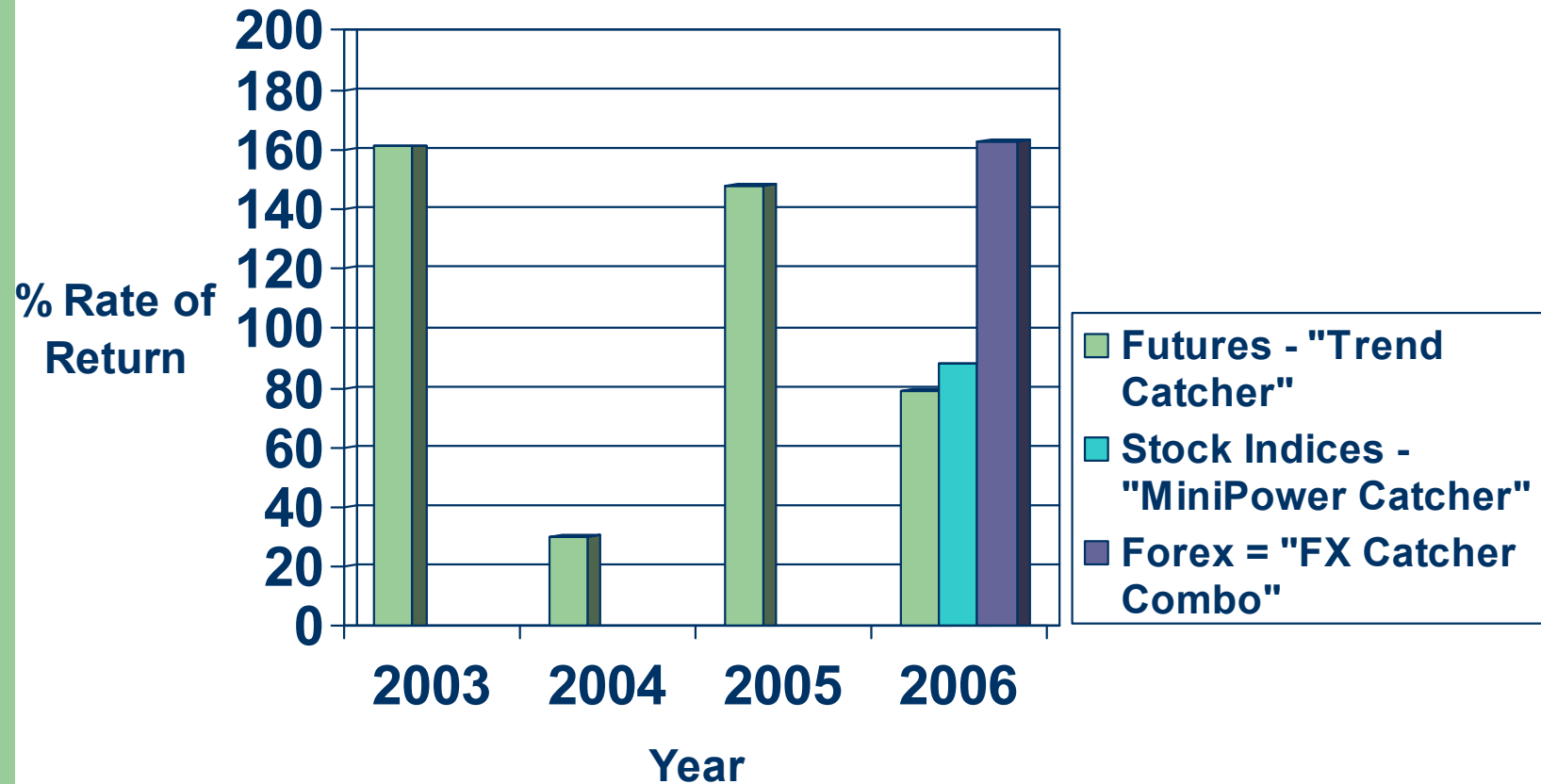


- **Combining what winning traders did with my own personality/psychology led me to where I am today**

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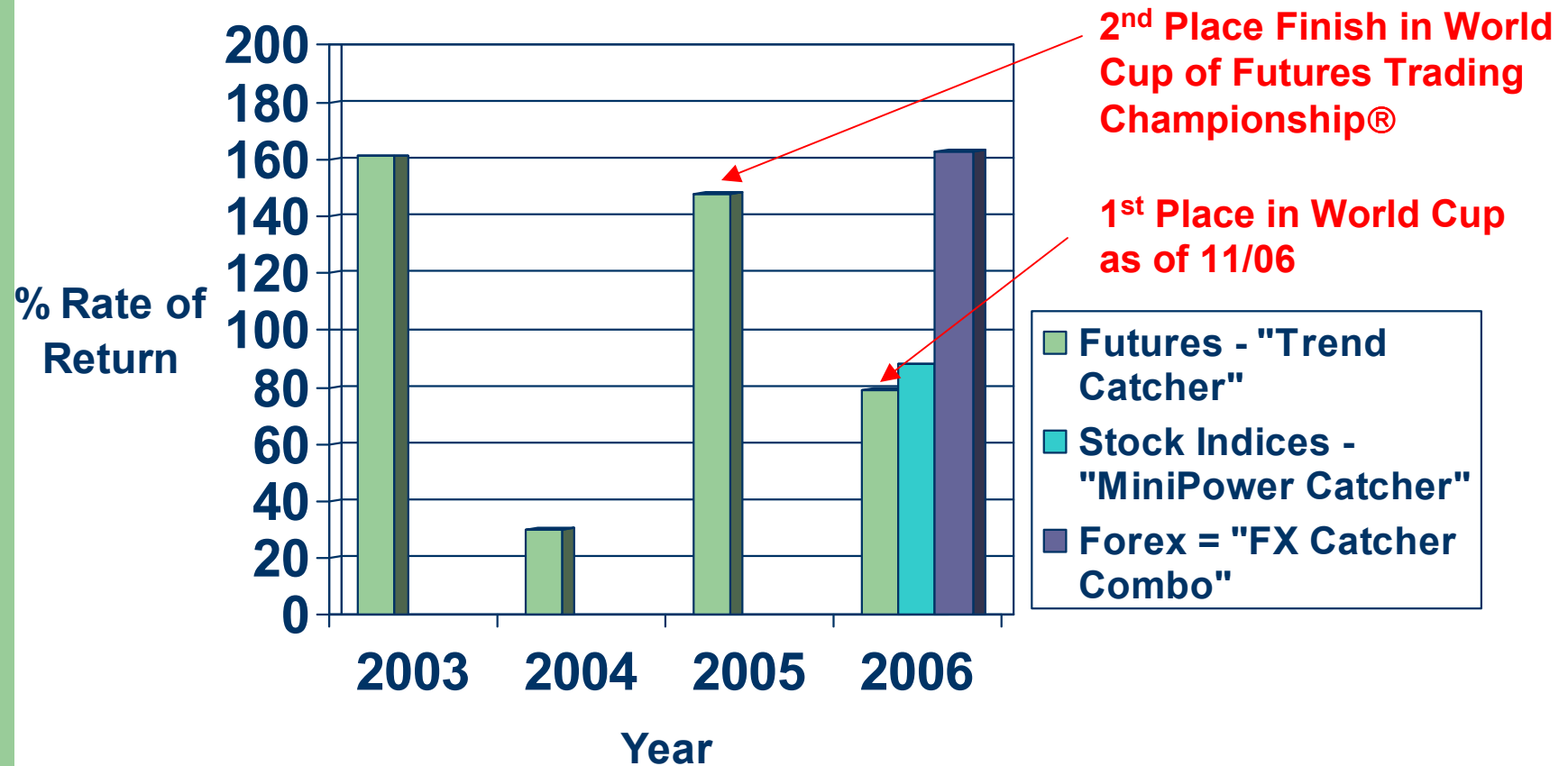
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How I've Done Recently



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My Trading Philosophy/Rules

- All fundamental information is priced into market
- Trade only what you can test historically
- Don't average down
- Don't trade off the news
- Take trader emotion out of picture – trade automatically when possible
- A “system” type approach works best
- **“KISS”** – keep it simple, stupid!

My Trading Philosophy – 5 Steps

- **Have a Plan**
- **Find a Strategy**
- **Check and Double Check**
- **Execute Strategy**
- **Monitor and Adjust**



Whether you are developing your own system or following an advisor, these steps are critical!

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My Trading Philosophy

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How I Trade Futures

Entries

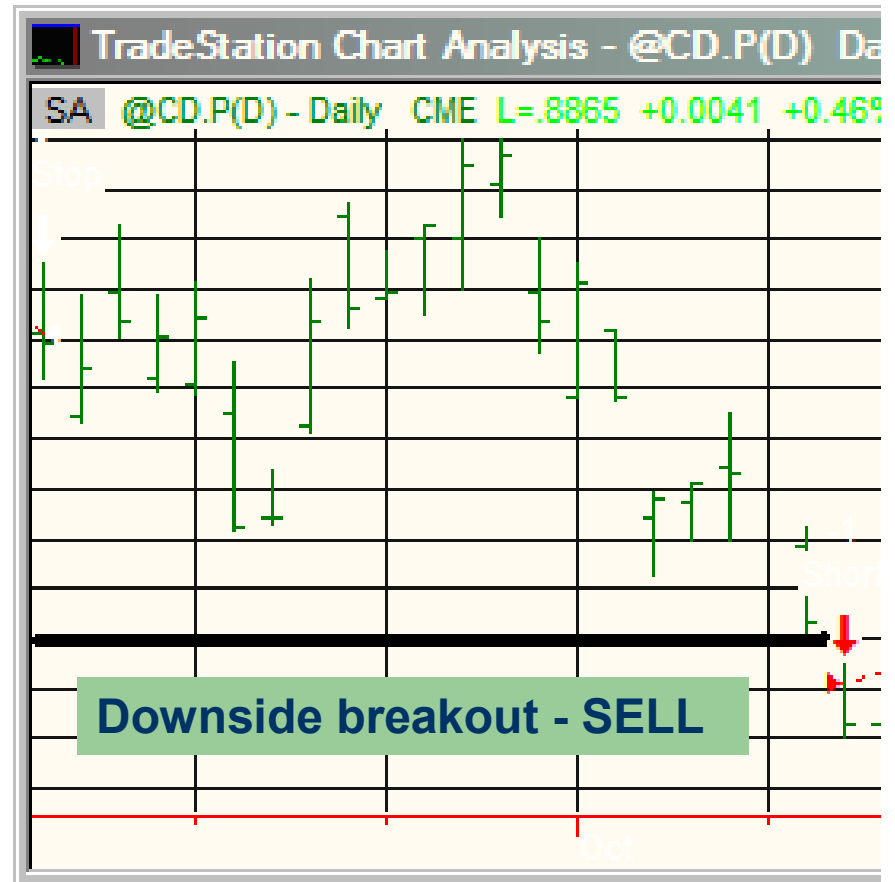
- **After trying thousands of different entry types, I found that a simple **x day breakout, with an oscillator confirmation**, worked best at getting the trade moving in right direction**

How I Trade Futures

Entries - Examples



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How I Trade Futures

Exits

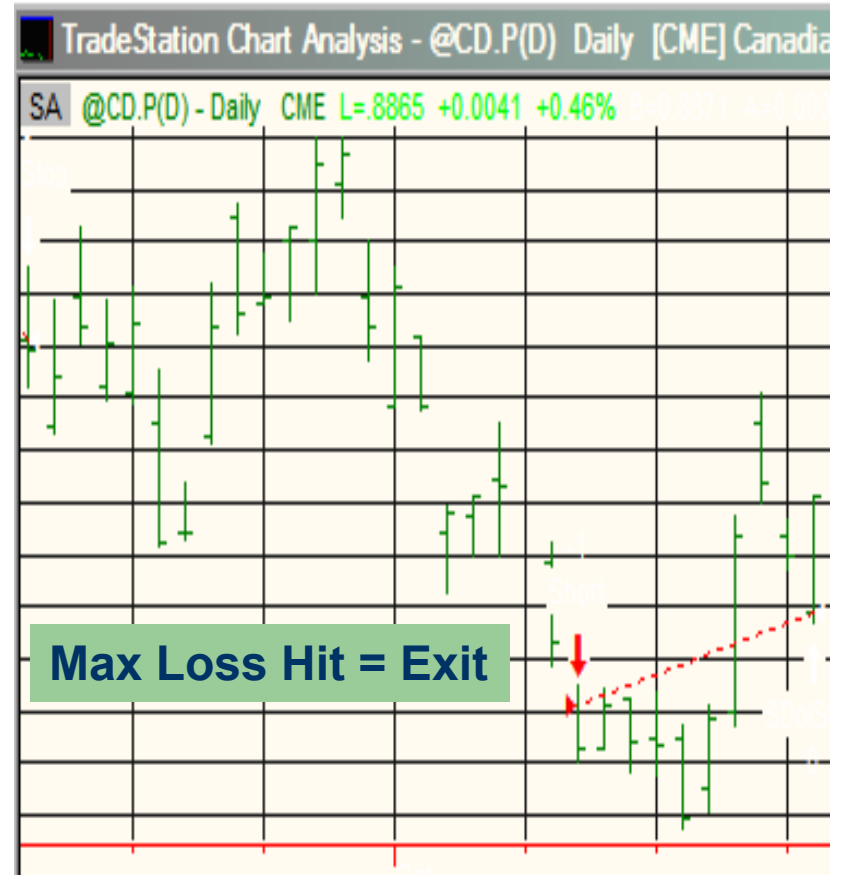
- **After trying thousands of different exit techniques, I determined 3 keys to a good exit**
 - **Initial Stop** – initial amount of loss
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Exits - Examples



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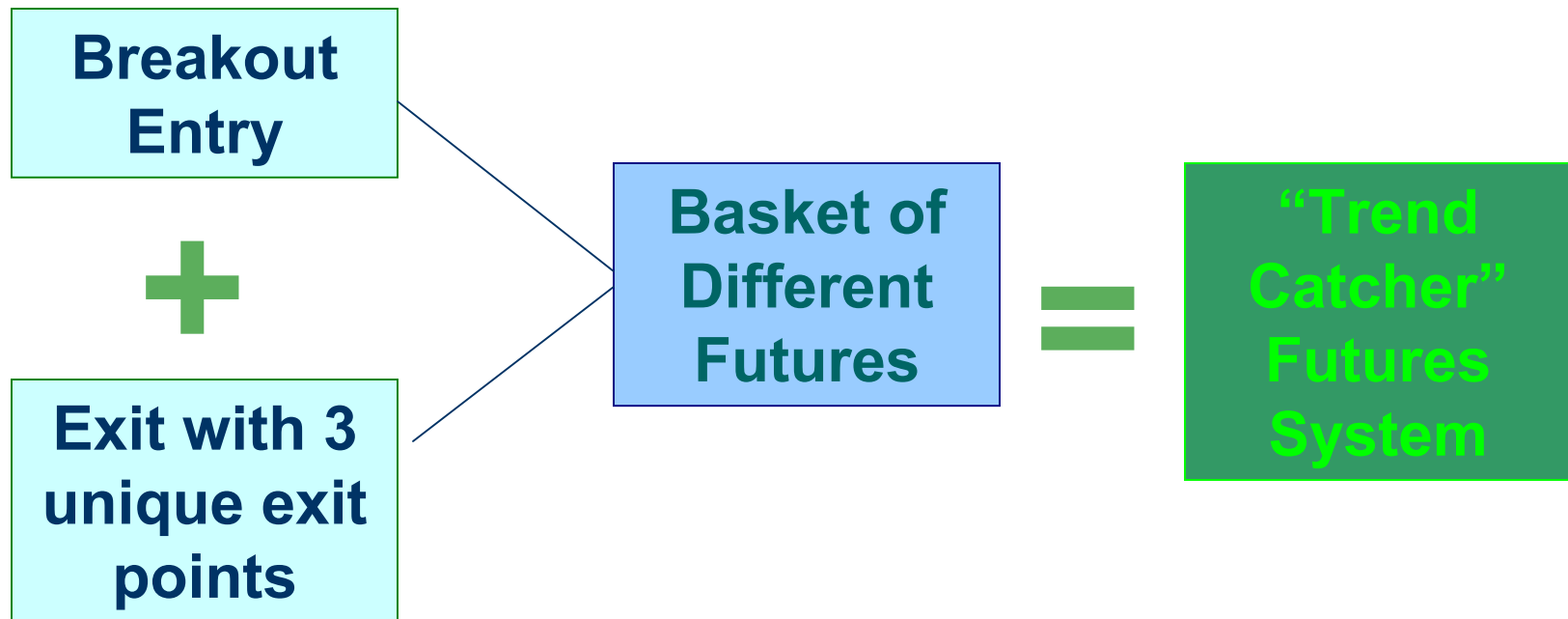
How I Trade Futures

Markets

- **A robust strategy will work well on different, uncorrelated markets**
- **A basket of futures will help even out the equity curve**
- **Pick big volume contracts in each sector (ags, energy, financials, currencies, softs)**

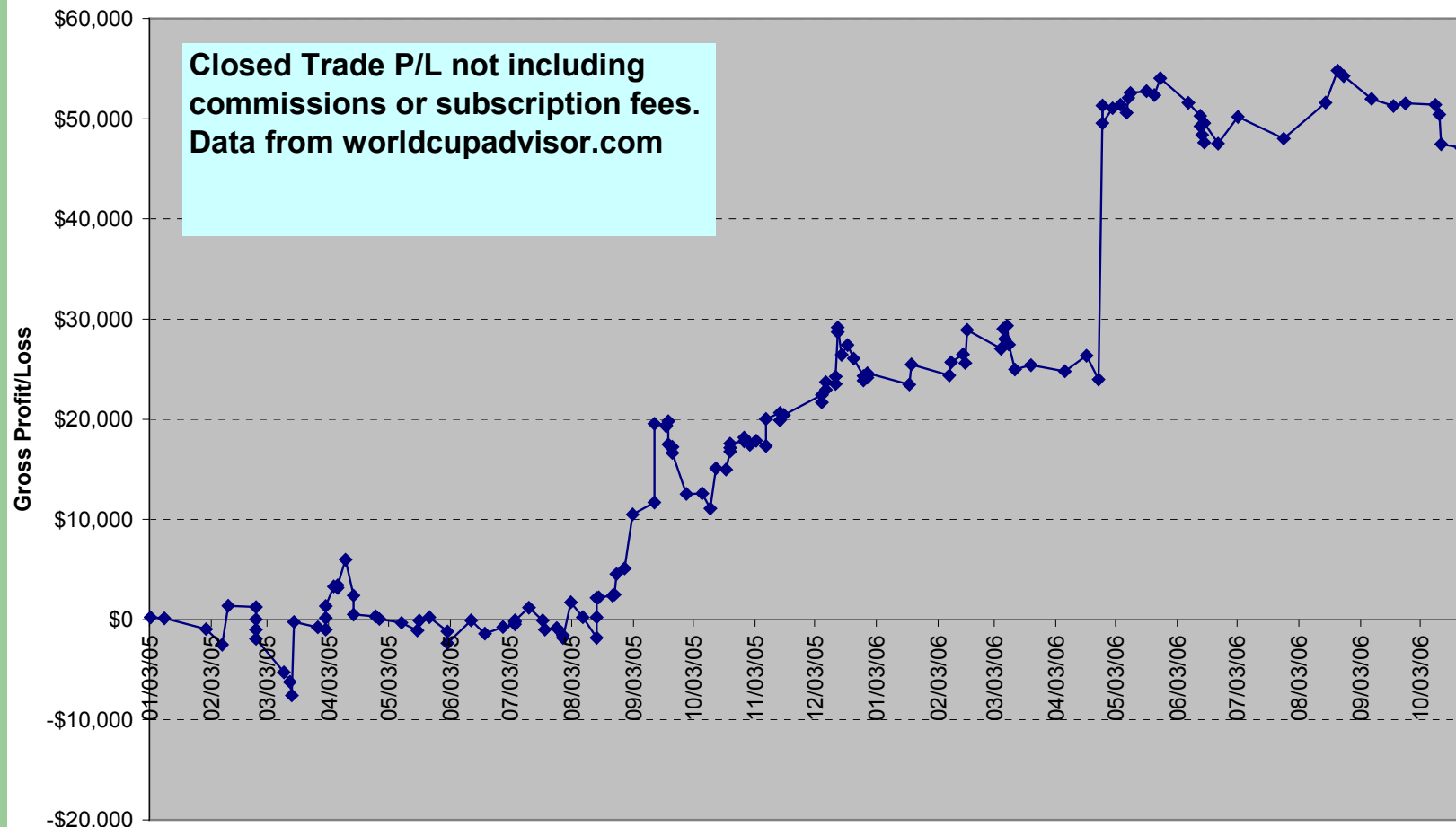
How I Trade Futures

Put it All Together...



Futures – How Has It Done?

Futures - "Trend Catcher" P/L



Closed Trade P/L not including commissions or subscription fees. Data from worldcupadvisor.com

How I Trade Futures

Drawbacks

- **Doesn't trade very often**
- **Missing 1 or 2 trades might mean difference between overall system profit or loss**
- **Significant drawdowns since system lets profits run**
- **Roughly 50% of trades are losers**

How I Trade Stock Indices

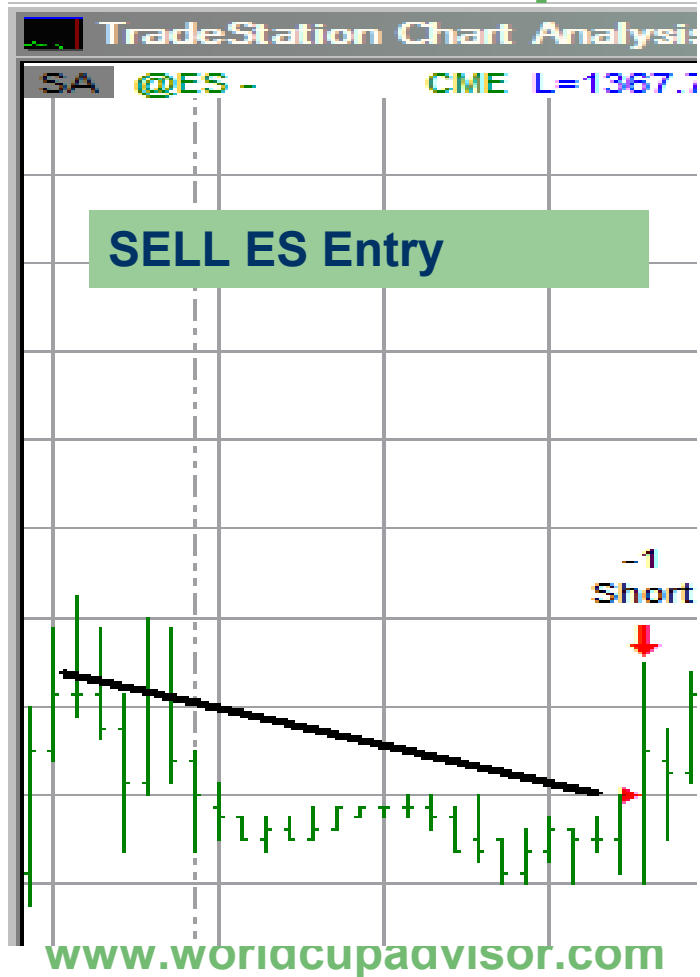
Entries

- **Standard Trend Following doesn't work**
- **Typical entry methods don't work well**

- **But...a simple, but unusual, single moving average crossover does work well!**

How I Trade Stock Indices

Entries - Examples



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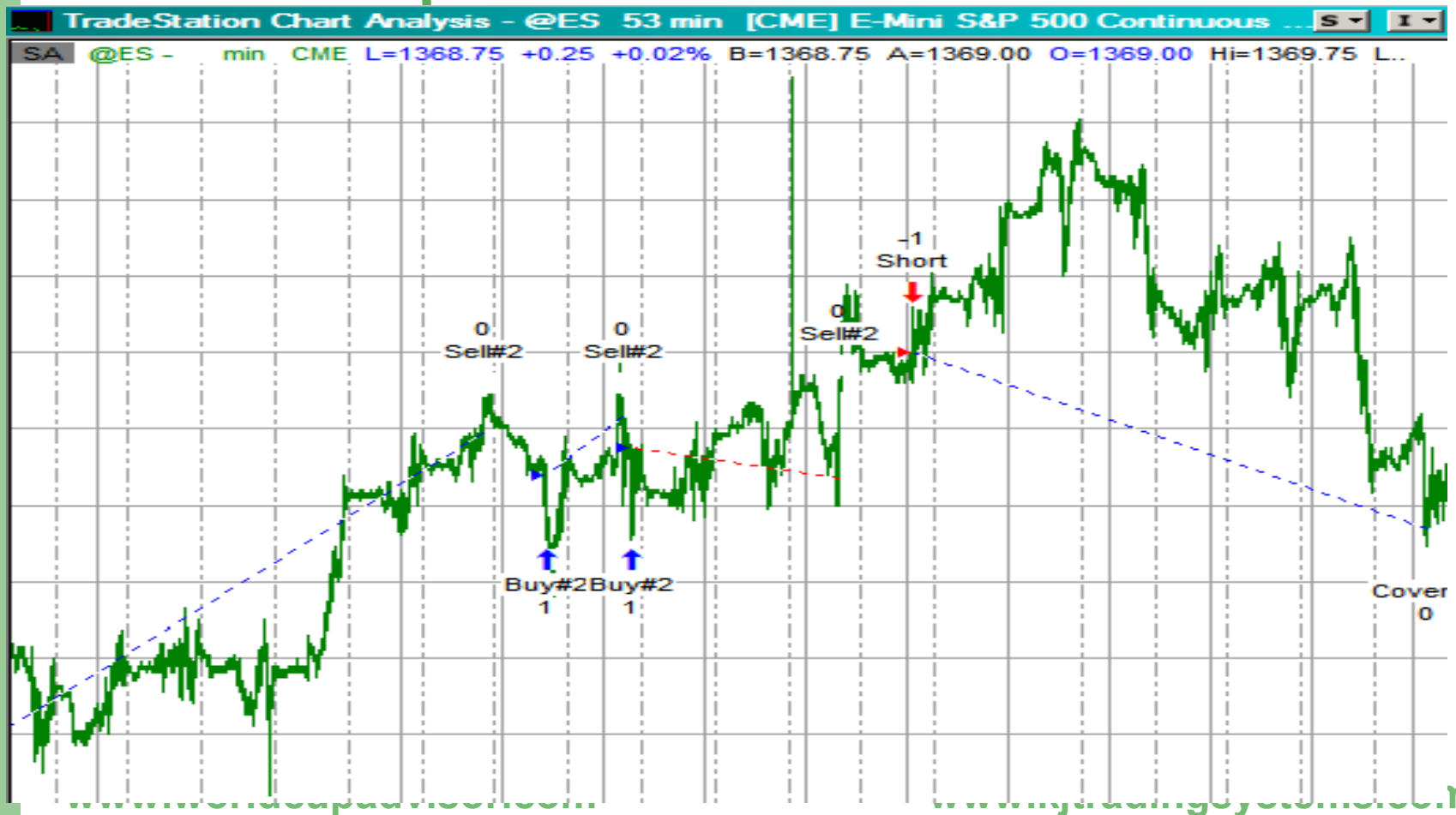
Exits



- **Same types of exits that work well in Futures also work well in Stock Indices**
 - **Initial Stop** – initial amount of loss
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How I Trade Stock Indices

Exits - Examples



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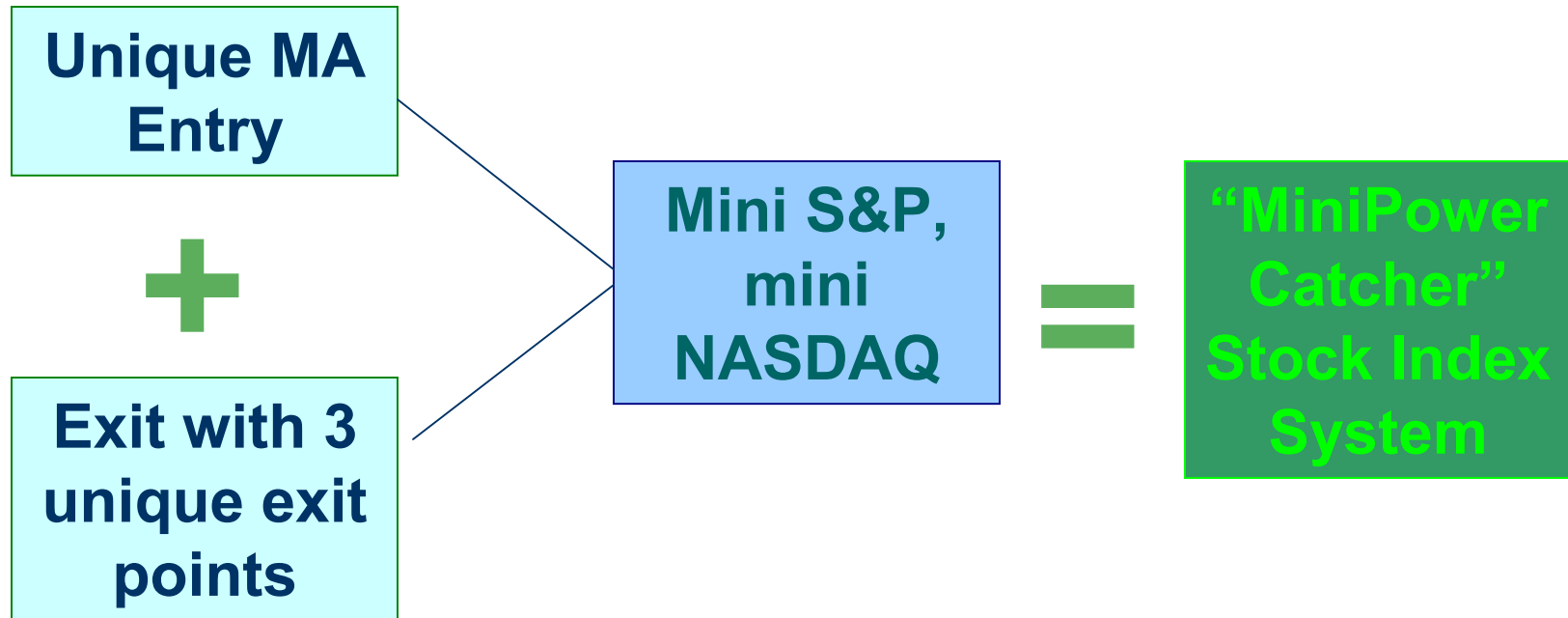
Markets

- **Want most liquid indices**
- **Want to trade electronically**
- **Want reasonable margin size (~\$5K margin)**

- **Mini S&P (symbol ES) & mini NASDAQ (symbol NQ) were chosen**

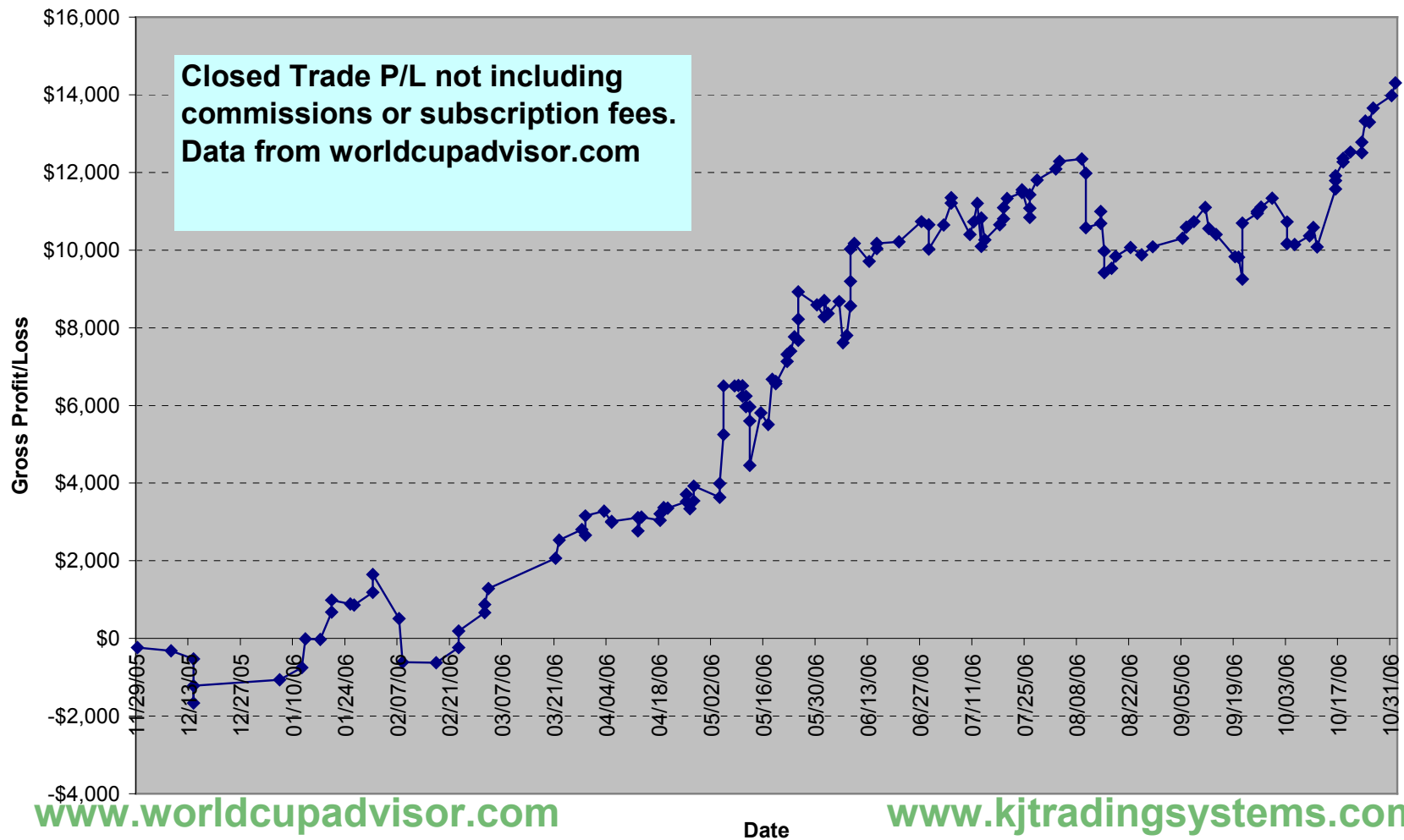
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Stock Indices – How Has It Done?

Stock Indices - "MiniPower Catcher" P/L



How I Trade Stock Indices

Drawbacks

- **Does not hit “home runs” like Trend Catcher does**
- **Has flat periods of few months duration (11/05-2/05, 8/06-10/06)**
- **Loses 37% of the time (before commission)**

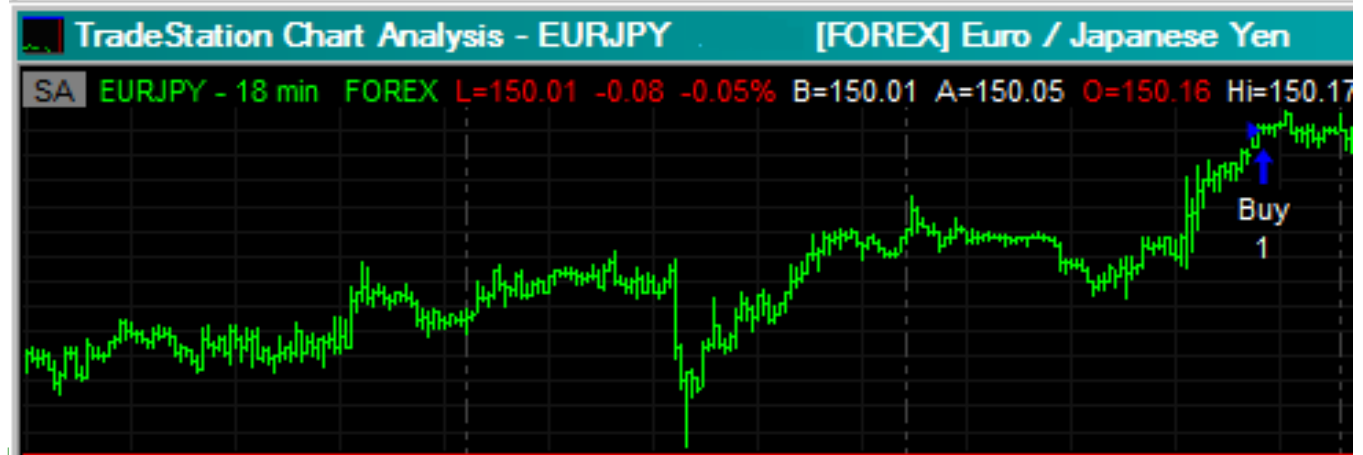
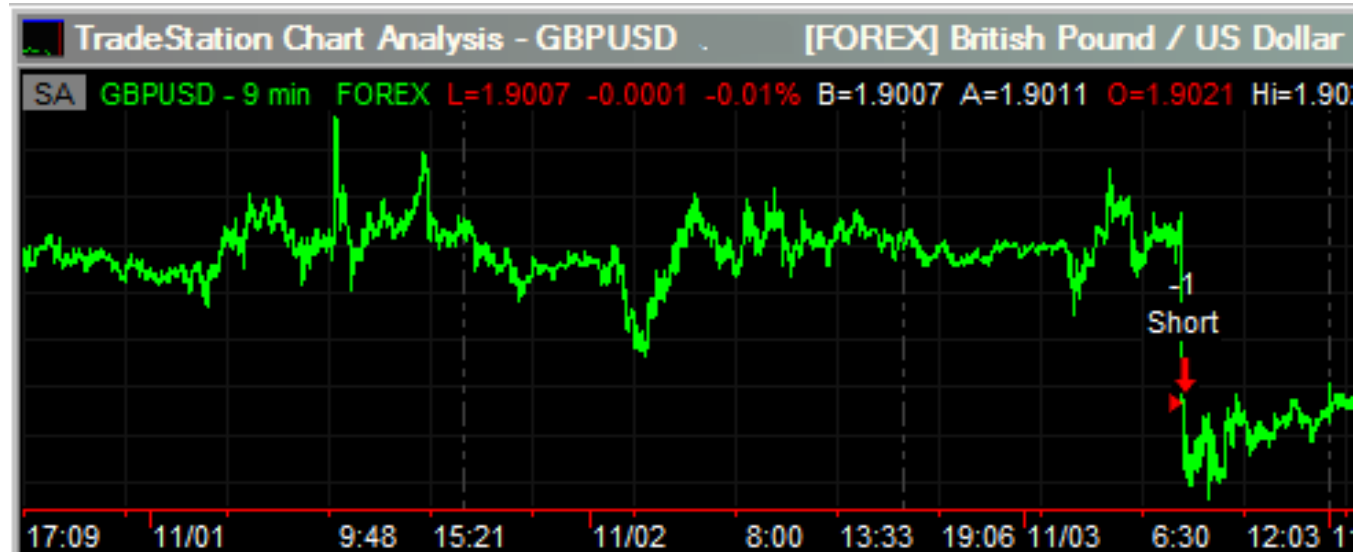
How I Trade FOREX

Entries

- **Standard Trend Following works, given the correct short term timeframe**
- **Exact same strategy as “Trend Catcher” works very well, with parameter adjustments for shorter timeframe**

How I Trade Forex

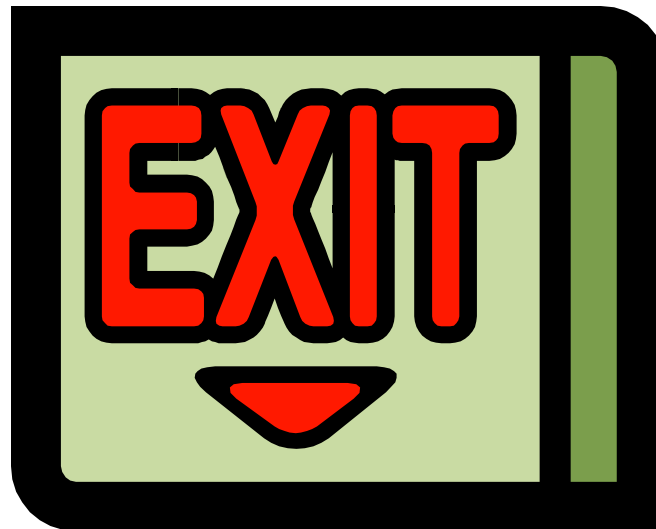
Entries – Examples



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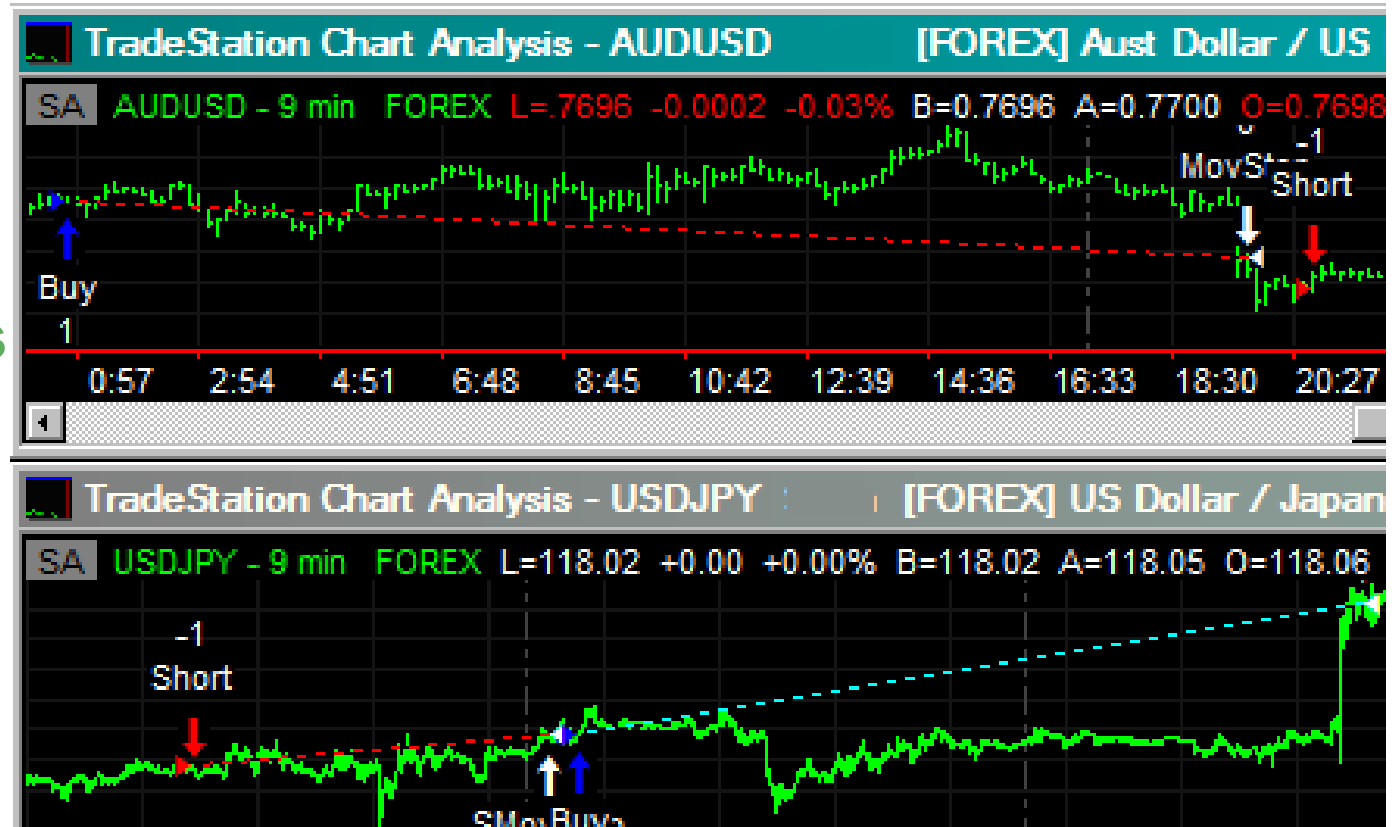
Exits

- **Same type of 3 tier exits that work well in Futures and Stock Indices**



How I Trade Forex

Exits – Examples



How I Trade Forex

Currency Pairs

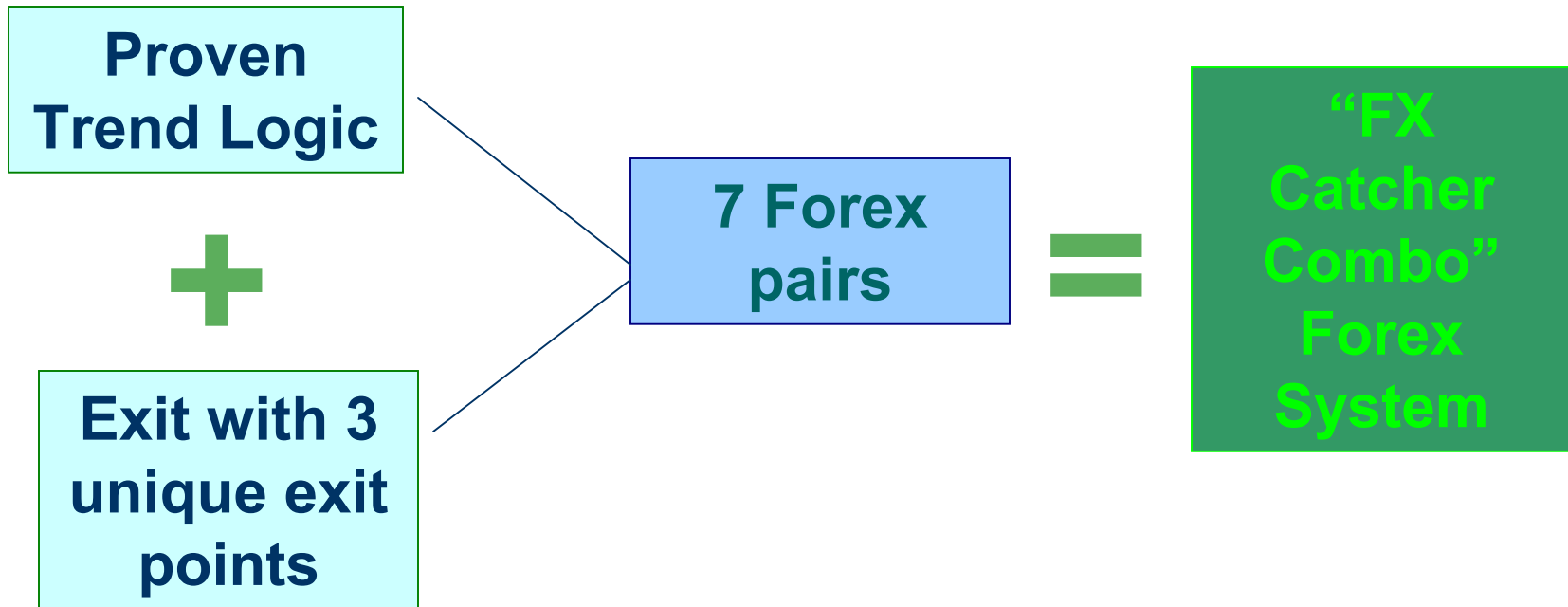
- Want most liquid pairs
- Want the lowest spreads
- Minimum correlation between pairs

- **FX Catcher 1** - USD/CHF, EUR/JPY, GBP/USD
- **FX Catcher 2** – AUD/USD, EUR/USD, USD/JPY, USD/CAD
- **FX Catcher Combo** – All 7 of the above



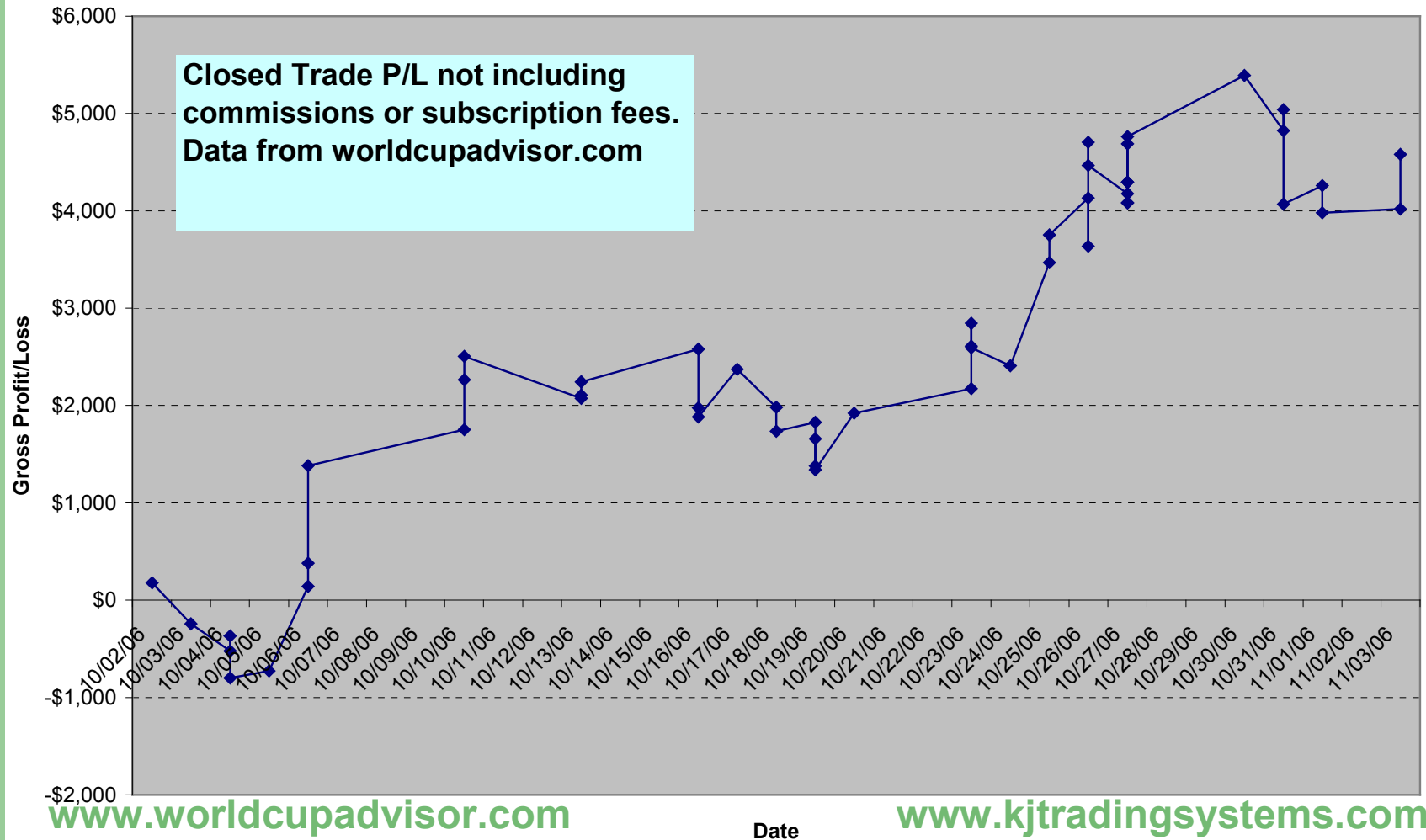
How I Trade Forex

Put it All Together...



Forex – How Has It Done?

Forex - "FX Catcher Combo" P/L



How I Trade Forex

Drawbacks

- **Has only 1 month real time trading track record**
- **May experience significant drawdowns**

Summary – How I Enter Trades

- **Futures** – medium term trend following
- **Stock Indices** – short/medium term trend and counter trend following
- **Forex** – short term trend following, same entry logic as Futures

Summary – How I Exit Trades

- **Same Basic Logic for futures, stock indices and Forex**
 - **Initial stop to limit loss**
 - **Moving stop to lock in profit as trade becomes positive**
 - **Accelerated stop as high profit level reached**

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