



## *Technical analysis vs Fundamental analysis*

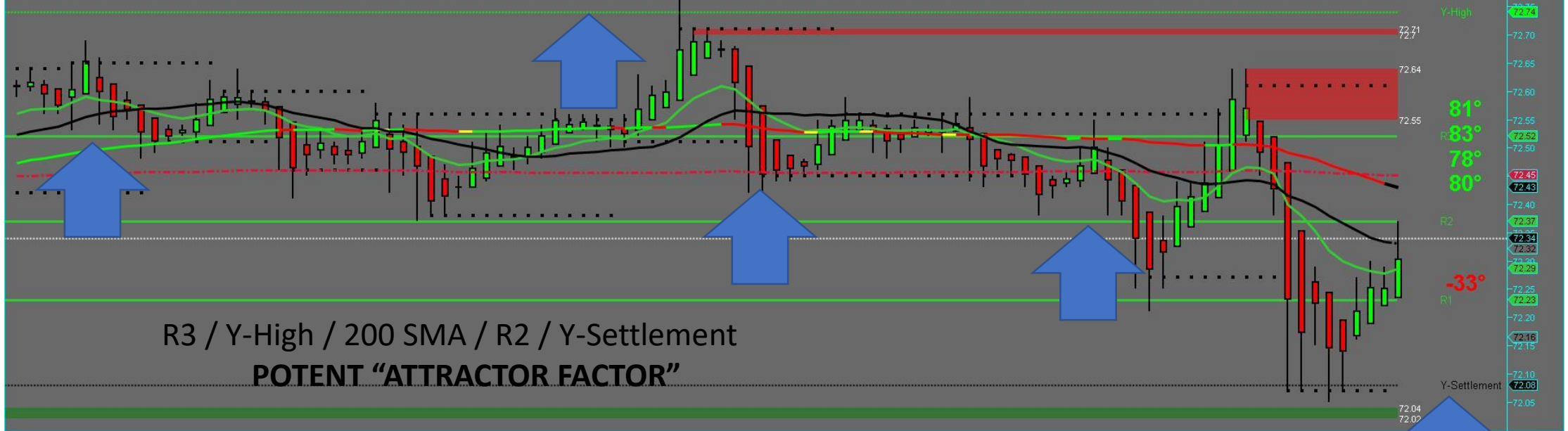
Typically, traders use two methods for analyzing price action of an instrument they are trading in order to make entry/exit decisions: technical analysis & fundamental analysis.

Fundamental analysis focuses on economic, social and political news and “other” factors that have the potential to affect the price of a commodity. For example on my recent visit to the Exelon trading floor here in Baltimore, when I laughed at the charts I saw being used by some of the floor traders, I then became aware that information on weather patterns which would ultimately impact demand for energy in a specific area was a more potent “trigger” for a trade entry than the current technical indicator configuration on a chart. Tradeable assets are frequently manipulated using fundamental strategies. If you are a “retail” trader, keep in mind that fundamental news is available to professional traders BEFORE it becomes available to you..

Technical analysis uses technical indicators on charts in various time or bar frames to discover various recognizable patterns which indicate viable trading opportunities. Statistical analysis of price, volume and volatility is primary. A basic principle of technical analysis is, market movements are not random, and past market behavior regularly repeats itself.

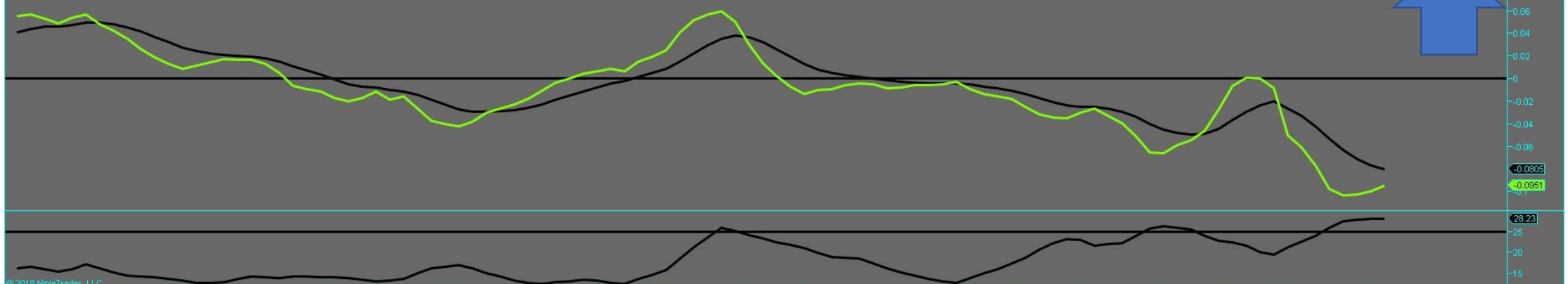
So, how much “seat time” have you devoted to honing your skills as a “RETAIL TRADER?”

Trigger Chart



42°  
 Y-High 72.71  
 81°  
 83°  
 78°  
 80°  
 -33°  
 Y-Settlement 72.02

R3 / Y-High / 200 SMA / R2 / Y-Settlement  
**POTENT "ATTRACTOR FACTOR"**





<https://bigthink.com/endless-innovation/humans-are-the-worlds-best-pattern-recognition-machines-but-for-how-long>

<https://www.predictablesuccess.com/blog/how-to-develop-pattern-recognition-skills/>

### **Put in your 10,000 hours.**

Thanks to original [work on expertise](#) by Nobel prize winner [Herbert Simon](#), subsequently [popularized by Malcolm Gladwell](#), it's now widely accepted that mastery of any discipline (i.e., reaching the stage where pattern recognition has become second nature), absent the birth gene, **requires 10,000 hours of practice / experience.**