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1. Service Supply Chain Introduction

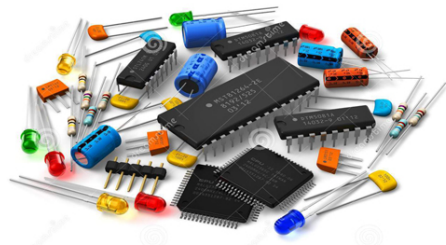
- Traditional supply chains deal with flows driven by customer demand



- Service supply chains deal with flows driven by product failure/customer dissatisfaction, and occur after the sale



**Customer Returns /
Reverse Logistics**



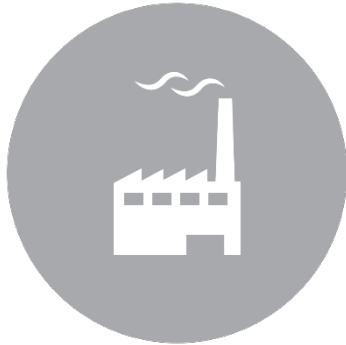
**Spare Parts
Planning**



**Warranty
management**

1. <http://www.fulltimefba.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/01/return-refund-image.jpg>
2. <http://primepower-bd.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/parts.jpg>
3. <http://autocreditcenterga.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/warranty.jpg>

1. Service Supply Chain Financial Impact



Consumer electronics industry

On average, warranty service costs represent **6%** of total revenue



Apple

2.7% of Apple's revenue

\$4.6b (2013)

\$4.9b (2014)

1. Machine Data & Predictive Analytics



- Within the last 5-10 years, the number of internet connected devices (commonly known as the “Internet of Things”) has exploded
- **How can companies incorporate this information into their spare parts planning process?**

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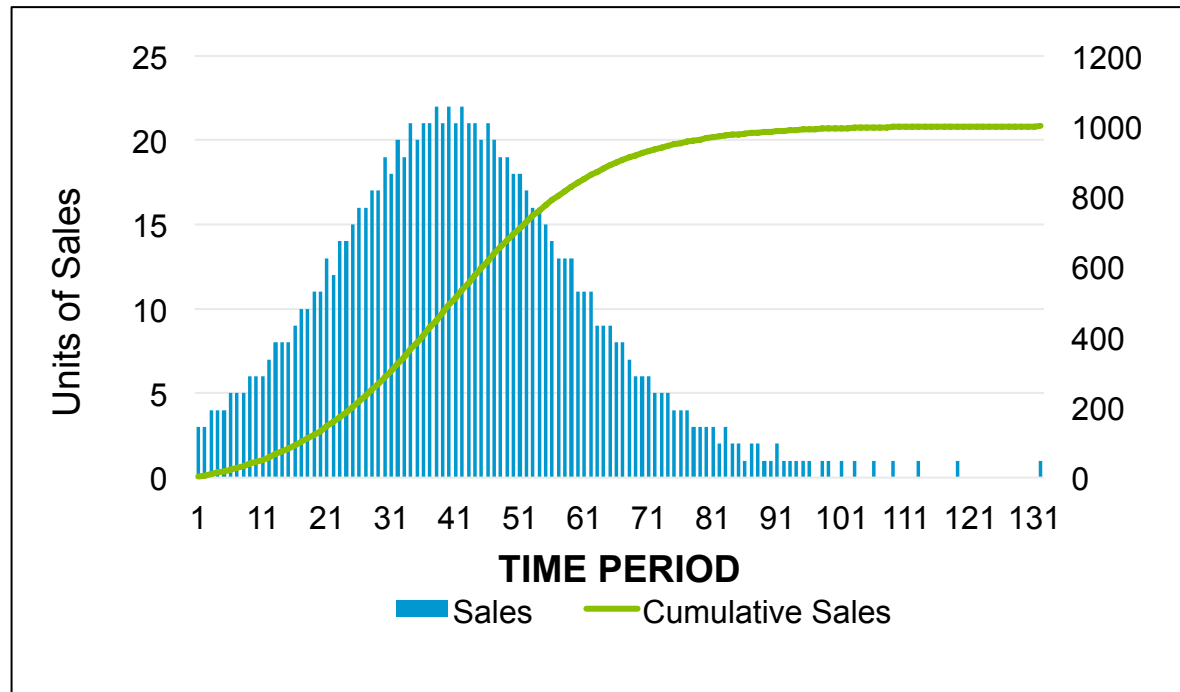
- Before comparing forecasting methods, needed to generate a demand data set to use in each of the two different methods
 - Accomplished by incorporating three different pieces of information:



2. Data Set Generation



- Sales are generated using the Bass Diffusion Model



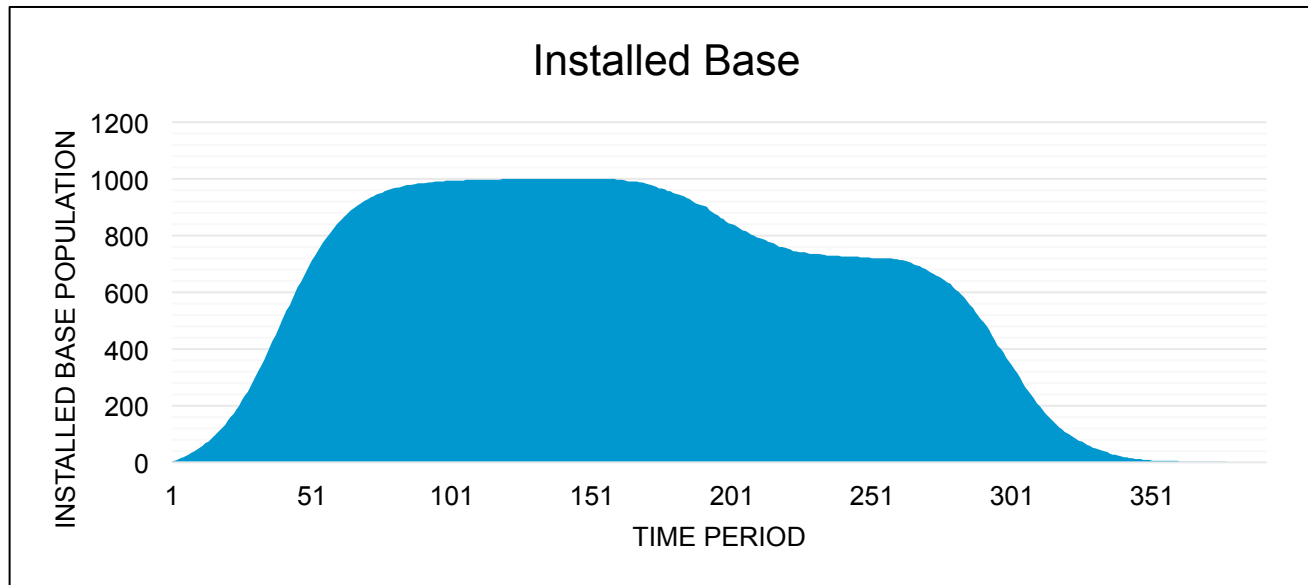
$$A_t = m \times \frac{1 - e^{-((p+q) \times t)}}{1 + \left(\frac{q}{p} \times e^{-((p+q) \times t)}\right)} \quad t = 1, \dots, n$$

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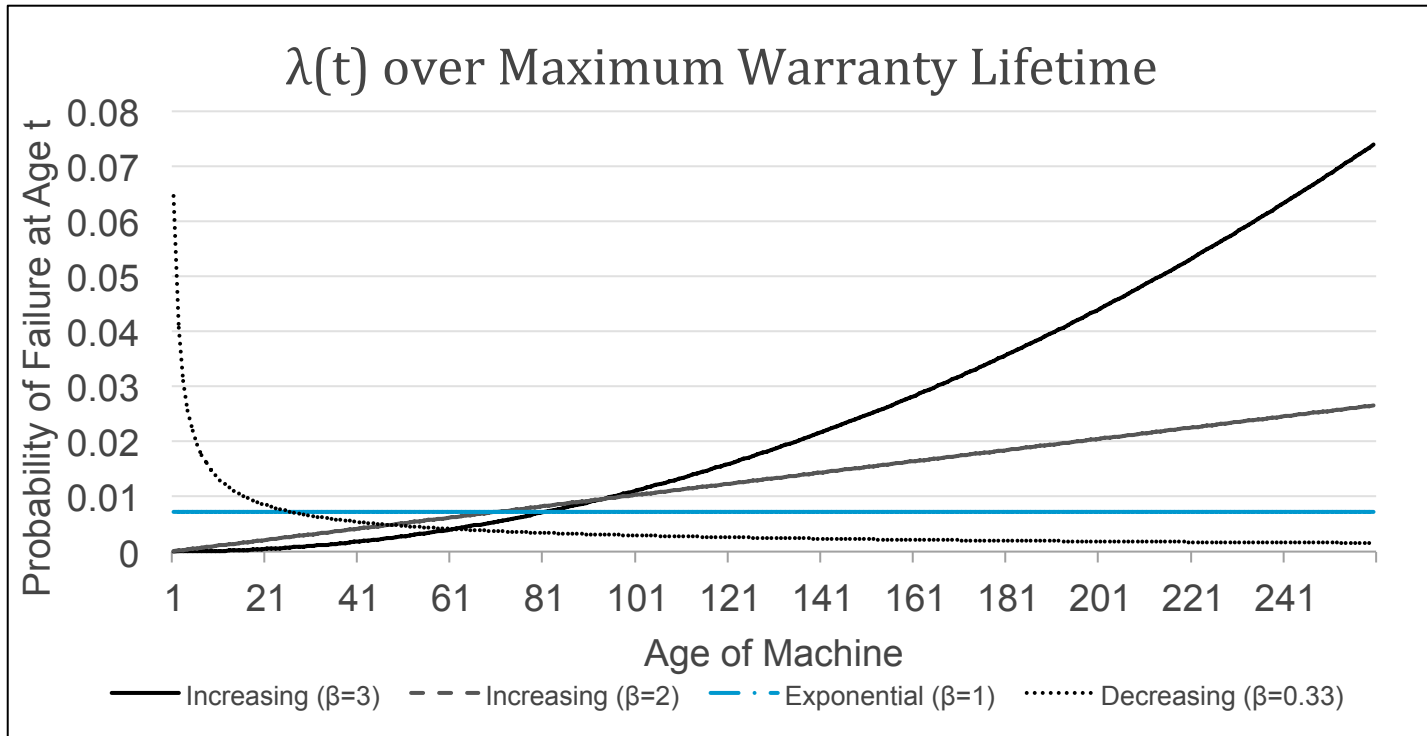


- Warranty periods are assigned randomly to each machine sold
- Sales and warranty information create an installed base

Warranty ID	Warranty Length (days)	Warranty Proportion of Population	Warranty Cumulative Proportion
A	156	0.3	0.3
B	260	0.7	1.0



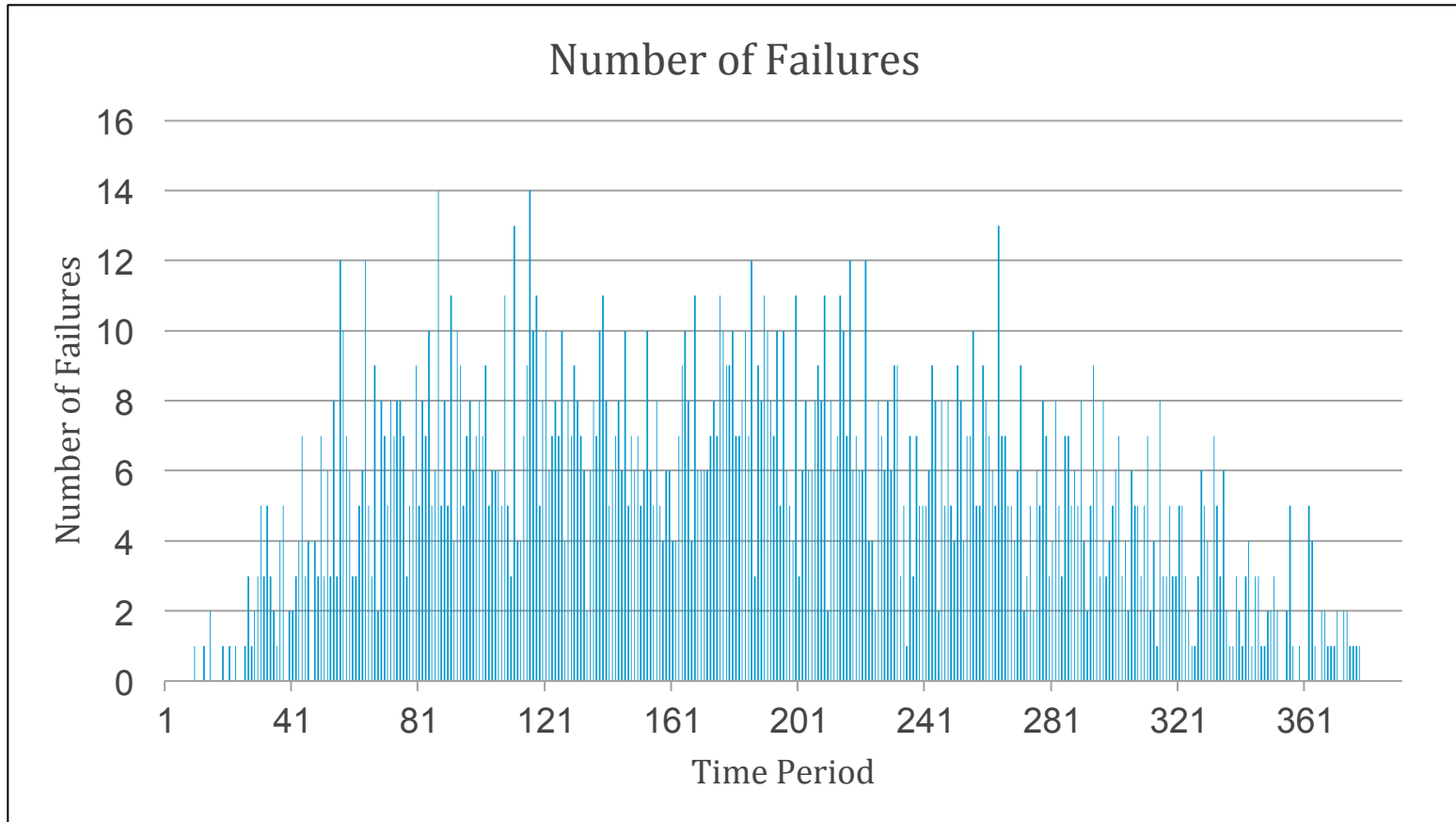
2. Data Set Generation



$$\lambda_t = \frac{\beta}{\eta} \times \left(\frac{a_{jt} - \gamma}{\eta} \right)^{\beta-1}$$

2. Demand Set Generation

- Installed base and failure rate function create a simulated demand statement that we can use to test the two different forecasting models



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3. Time-Series Forecasting Methodology

- A time-series forecasting method forecasts future spare part demand based on the historical demand statement to date
- We evaluate two different methods of time-series forecasting:

Simple exponential smoothing

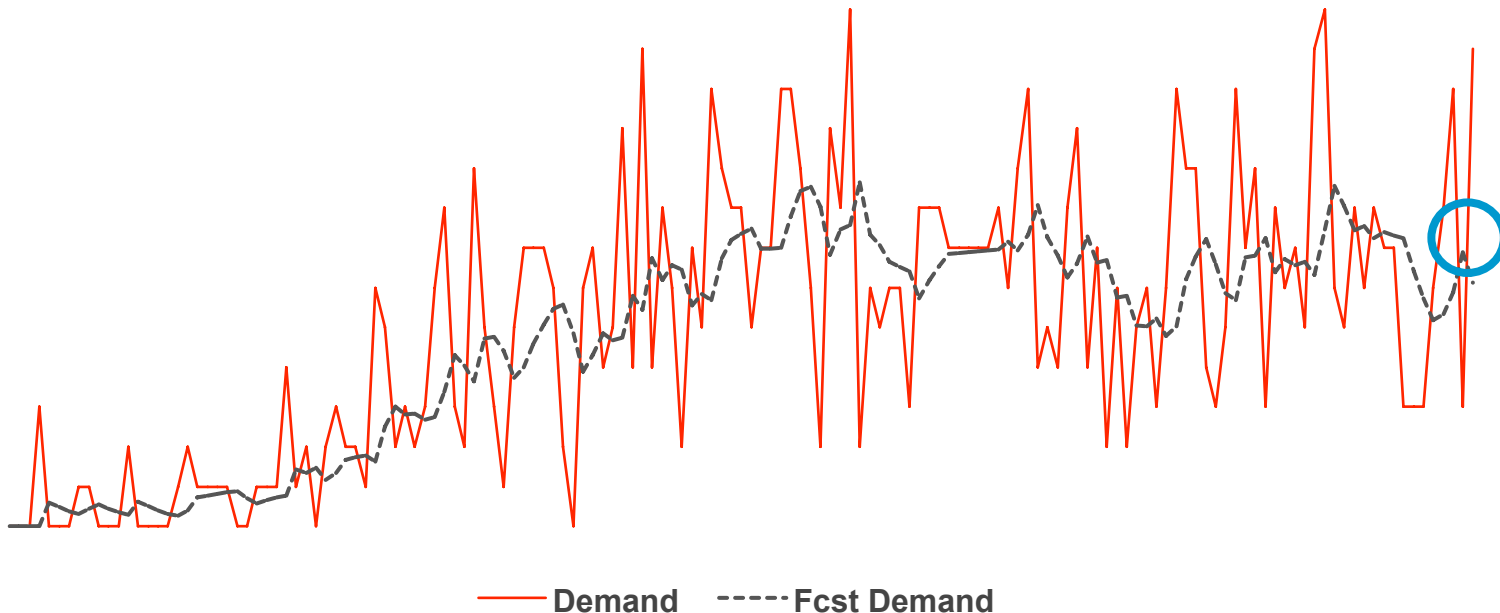
$$F_{t,t+1} = \alpha * d_t + (1 - \alpha) * F_{t-1,t}$$

Simple exponential smoothing with trend

$$F_{t,t+1} = S_{t,t+1} + T_{t,t+1}$$

$$S_{t,t+1} = \alpha * d_t + (1 - \alpha) * (S_{t-1,t} + T_{t-1,t})$$

$$T_{t,t+1} = \beta * (F_{t,t+1} - F_{t-1,t}) + (1 - \beta) * (T_{t-1,t})$$



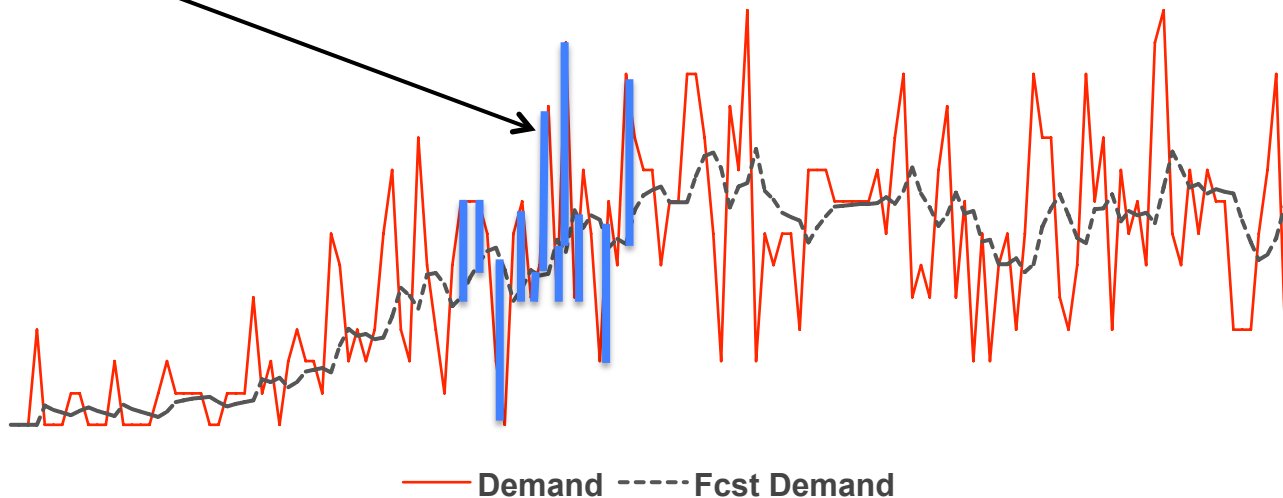
3. Time-Series Forecasting Methodology

- Forecast from time-series is plugged into R, S system
- To maintain certain level of service, we define a reorder point S. If the inventory level is under some level S, place an order of size S less the current inventory position

$$S_t = \mu_{L+R_t} + z * RMSE_{L+R_t}$$

$$Qp_t = \max (S_t - IP_t, 0)$$

RMSE is derived from error between forecast and actual demand over the last ten periods



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4. Predictive Analytics Methodology

- Predictive forecasting approach runs on a binary classification matrix
 - Assumes some analysis of a set of machine data has taken place and been compared to a related set of spare parts dispatches

		predicted value	
		<i>true</i>	<i>false</i>
actual value	<i>true</i>	True Positive	False Negative
	<i>false</i>	False Positive	True Negative

$$TPR = tp / (tp+fn)$$

$$FPR = fp / (fp+tn)$$

$$PPV = tp / (tp+fp) \quad NPV = tn / (fn+tn)$$

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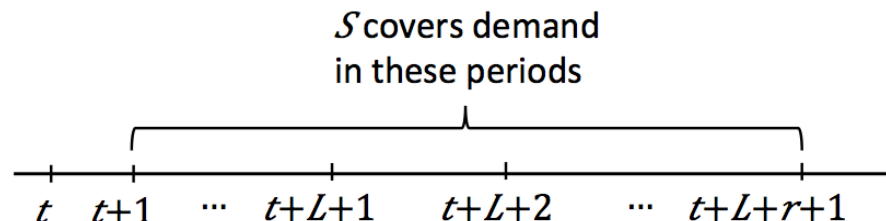
$$PPV = tp/(tp+fp) \quad NPV = tn/(fn+tn)$$

- **TPR:** Of the total number of failures, how many were predicted?
- **FPR:** Of the total number of non-failures, how many were falsely predicted?
- **PPV:** Proportion of signals that accurately predict a failure
- **NPV:** Proportion of non-signals that accurately predict a non-failure

4. Predictive Analytics Methodology

- We use the binary classification matrix and the size of the installed base to generate a forecast
- 1. Assign signals to failures using the TPR & FPR
- 2. Adjust signals based on the PPV and NPV
- 3. Plug forecast into R, S policy

$$S_t = F_{t-1, t+1} + F_{t, t+2} + z \cdot \sqrt{V_{t-1, t+1} + V_{t, t+2}}$$



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5. Results & Data Analysis

- Each of the time-series forecasting models run 15x each
 - Find that exponential smoothing with trend model provides lower inventory while sustaining acceptable service level
 - Provides a baseline for comparison against predictive analytics model

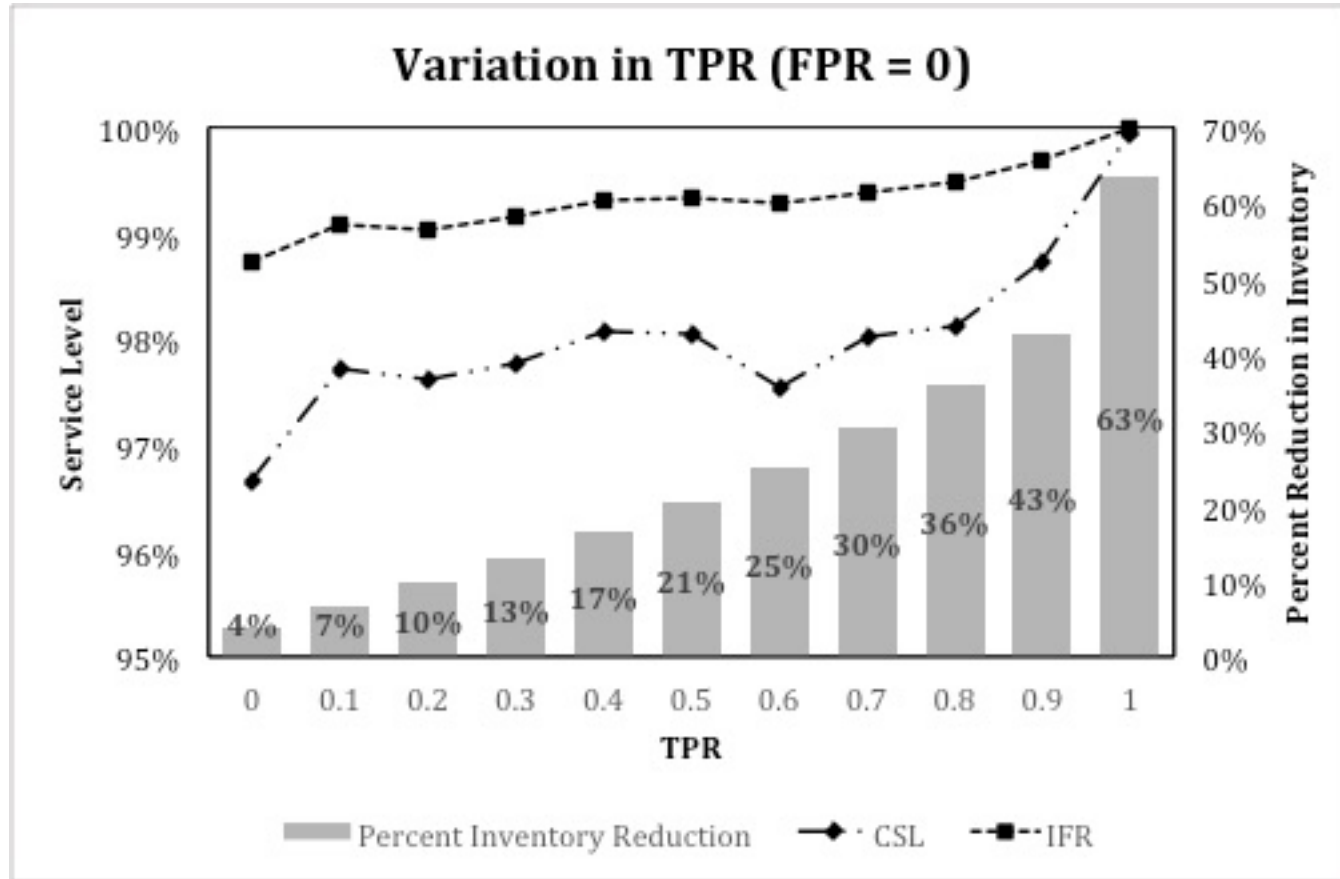
Metric	Measurement	Simple Exponential Smoothing	Simple Exponential Smoothing with Trend
Avg. Inventory	Average	8.884	8.592
CSL	Average	96.50%	95.98%

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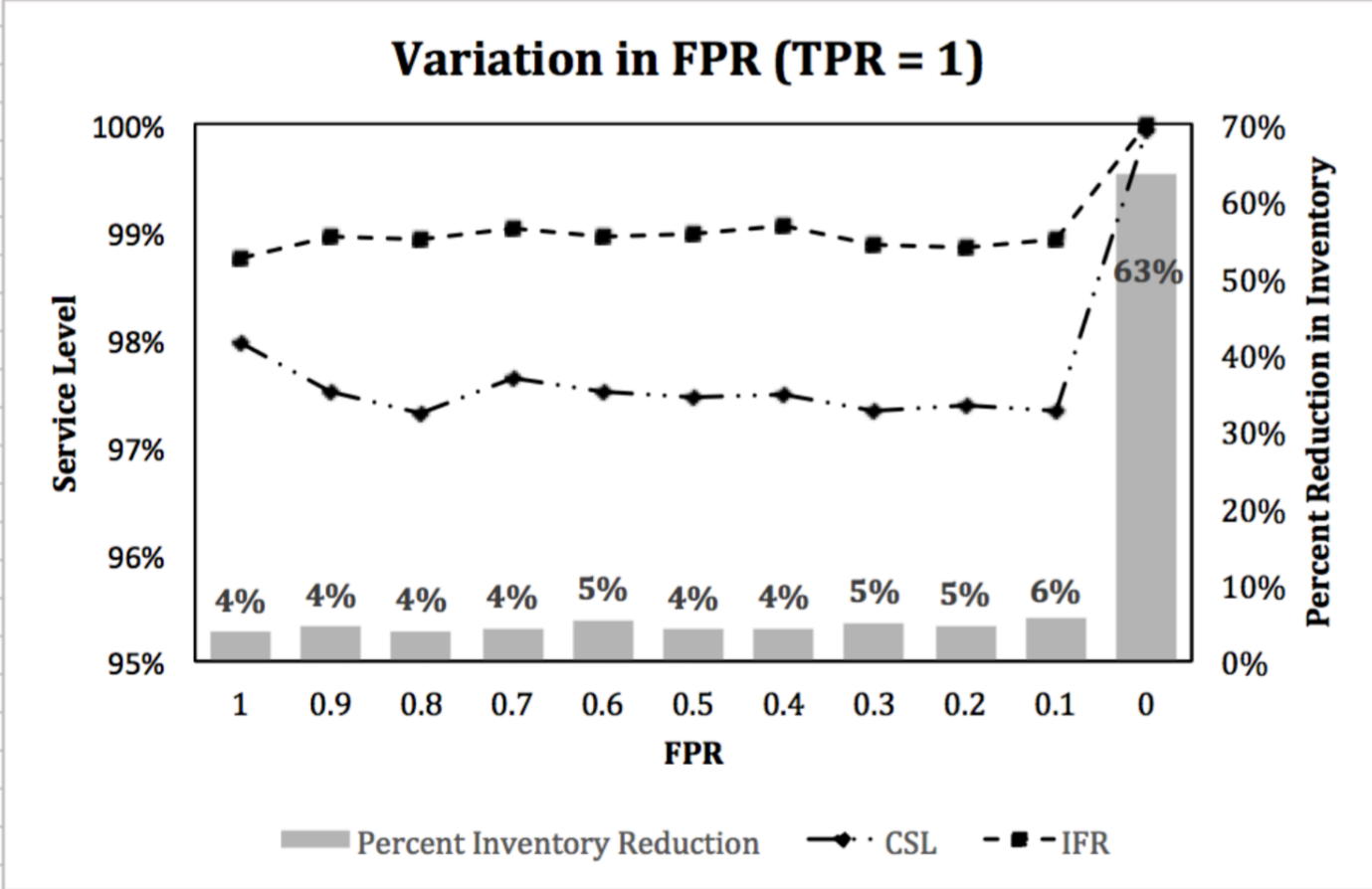
- The predictive forecast model was run 15x at each combination of the TPR and FPR in 10% increments between 0 and 1
- Allows for sensitivity analysis of varying levels of predictor accuracy
- New signals and demand statements created for each iteration of simulation in VBA



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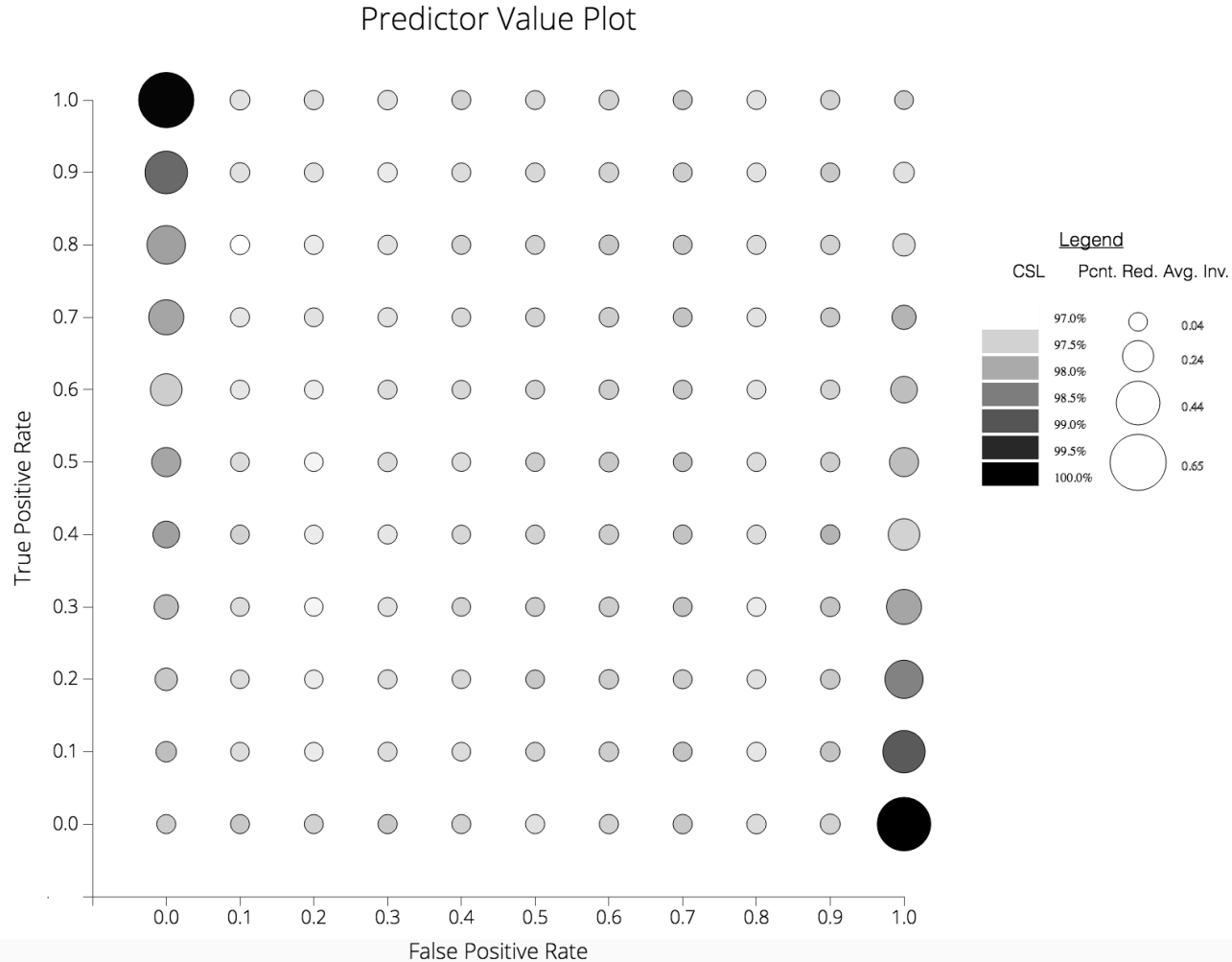


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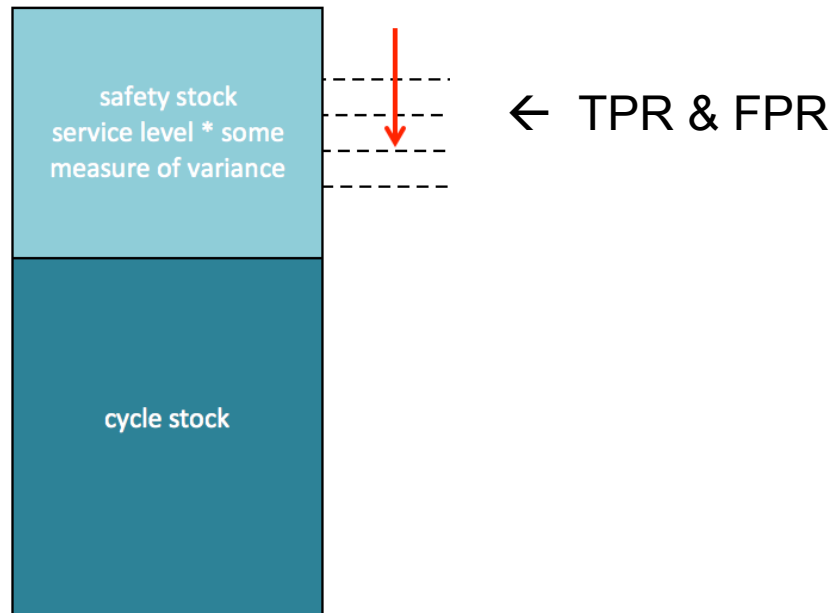
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- Each of the predictive forecasting models run 15x at each unique combination of TPR and FPR, in 10% increments of each



5. Results & Data Analysis

- As confusion matrix provides more accurate results, less amount of variance in our forecast
- In turn, this drives down the necessary safety stock to reach a certain service level until reaching 0, leaving only the cycle stock and reaching the minimum possible average inventory



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6. Conclusions and Implications

- Provides concrete method for meshing together predictive analytics with spare parts inventory planning
- Could :
 - Potentially represent a significant reduction in working capital for companies as they are increasingly able to squeeze inventory out of their supply chain
 - Reduce total penalty costs paid in SLA/warranty servicing as companies are able to get a better jump start on service request ahead of time
 - Potential redesign of service supply chain network to aggregate inventory across multiple local spare parts field depots & trunk stocks into more centralized locations
 - reduction in shrinkage, obsolescence and damage

Questions?