Liquidity provision in a high frequency environment

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- Several studies in the past that examine the order submission characteristics and liquidity supply by informed and uninformed traders.

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- Hence, a need to revisit the question of liquidity supply with a focus on AT and non AT.

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- **Segment**: NSE spot and stock futures.
- Period: Nov Dec 2009 (Prior co-location) and Nov Dec 2013 (post co-location).

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- **Sample**: Top 200 firms by market cap in 2009 and 2013.
- Final sample: 147 stocks.

Q.1: Are there differences in the type of orders submitted by AT and non AT?

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Type of orders (spot)

MCap quartiles	O1 (Highest)		O4 (Lowest)				
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	2009	2013	2009	2013			
Algo orders (%)	18.61	78.95	5.93	41.47			
Fraction of algo or	ders (%)						
IOC	0.69	6.41	0.95	4.29			
SL	0.32	0.02	0.57	0.10			
MO	5.91	1.21	12.05	6.41			
Hidden	9.65	10.83	11.38	21.22			
Limit	83.43	81.53	75.05	67.98			
Fraction of non-algo orders (%)							
IOC	0.07	0.32	0.21	0.34			
SL	2.21	2.71	0.82	1.12			
MO	7.22	7.57	5.40	4.13			
Hidden	10.09	9.16	17.93	8.81			
Limit	80.41	80.24	75.64	85.60			
MCap (Rs. Mn)	843,191	1,030,189	51,885	62,322			
AT Intensity (%)	23.56	78.40	10.42	39.74			
# of orders	63,300	112,901	10,415	19,898			
# of stocks	37	37	37	37			

Type of orders (SSF)

MCap quartiles	Q1 (Highest)		Q4 (Lowest)			
	2009	2013	2009	2013		
Algo orders (%)	39.82	93.42	28.45	80.62		
Fraction of algo or						
IOC	7.16	9.40	4.38	11.10		
SL	0.00	0.02	0.01	0.09		
MO	0.48	0.15	0.14	0.15		
Spread	6.10	8.03	4.43	9.69		
Limit	86.26	82.41	91.05	78.96		
Fraction of non-algo orders (%)						
IOC	4.33	1.32	2.01	0.54		
SL	0.63	2.56	0.65	1.58		
MO	1.80	4.07	0.66	1.86		
Spread	4.85	3.26	2.80	1.71		
Limit	88.39	88.80	93.87	94.31		
AT Intensity (%)	22.42	73.46	11.77	47.18		
# of orders	64,743	226,195	8,744	36,163		
# of stocks	34	37	17	20		

Q.2 What is the pattern of activity on AT and non AT orders?

Order last activity by AT and non AT (Spot)

	As % of orders entered			
MCap quartiles	Q1 (Highest)		Q4 (Lowest)	
	2009	2013	2009	2013
Algo	17.96	78.41	3.81	38.66
Entered	0.15	0.03	0.17	0.10
Modified	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.04
Traded (A)	5.36	14.84	1.78	9.52
Cancelled (B)	12.43	63.52	1.84	29.00
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NonAlgo	80.64	20.77	93.69	58.03
Entered	7.45	2.54	17.77	9.29
Modified	0.59	0.21	1.11	0.70
Traded (C)	50.11	14.31	49.44	35.84
Cancelled (D)	22.48	3.71	25.38	12.19
Cancelled (B+D)	34.92	67.23	27.23	41.19
Traded (A+C)	55.47	29.15	51.22	45.36
# of orders	59,043	102,768	9,026	16,848
# of stocks	37	37	37	37

Order last activity by AT and non AT (SSF)

	As % of orders entered			
MCap quartiles	Q1 (F	Q1 (Highest)		.owest)
	2009	2013	2009	2013
Algo	39.30	93.19	26.98	78.41
Entered	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.11
Modified	0.04	0.08	0.06	0.17
Traded (E)	1.48	2.17	0.90	2.50
Cancelled (F)	37.77	90.91	26.00	75.63
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NonAlgo	59.90	6.40	71.29	20.86
Entered	1.30	0.46	2.66	1.63
Modified	0.33	0.10	0.74	0.32
Traded (G)	13.12	2.69	15.29	9.43
Cancelled (H)	45.16	3.15	52.60	9.49
Cancelled (F+H)	82.93	94.06	78.60	85.12
Traded (E+G)	14.59	4.85	16.19	11.93
# of orders	58,140	192,537	7,340	27,506
# of stocks	34	37	17	20

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Q.3 Within the trades, do AT supply liquidity or demand it?

Liquidity provisioning by AT and non AT (Spot)



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Liquidity provisioning by AT and non AT (SSF)



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Intraday liquidity demand and supply by AT (Q1)



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Intraday liquidity demand and supply by AT (Q4)



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Q4: What is the speed of order cancellations?

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Cancelled algo orders: Spot

2009 2013 Q1 (Highest market cap)



Q4 (Lowest market cap





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Cancelled algo orders: SSF

2009 2013 Q1 (Highest market cap)



Q4 (Lowest market cap





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Q.5: At what level of depth do cancellations occur?

Spot: Orders cancellations with duration less than a second

As % of orders cancelled in <1 second						
MCap quartiles	Q1 (Highest)		Q4 (Lowest)			
Order location at	2009	2013	2009	2013		
Entry, Exit						
As	% of orders	cancelled	in <1 s			
(< 1], (< 1]	13.40	5.31	51.97	39.01		
(1, 3], (< 1]	0.37	0.98	0.49	1.66		
(3, 5], (< 1]	0.02	0.39	0.00	0.12		
(> 5], (< 1]	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.01		
(< 1], (1, 3]	1.18	2.52	1.77	8.49		
(1, 3], (1, 3]	7.30	10.29	13.26	20.97		
(3, 5], (1, 3]	0.46	1.88	0.29	0.85		
(> 5], (1, 3]	0.05	0.14	0.05	0.03		
(< 1], (3, 5]	0.08	0.10	0.03	0.10		
(1, 3], (3, 5]	1.07	1.34	0.37	0.90		
(3, 5], (3, 5]	5.83	12.84	4.44	11.02		
(> 5], (3, 5]	0.53	0.88	0.15	0.37		
(< 1], (> 5]	0.02	0.03	0.00	0.03		
(1, 3], (> 5]	0.12	0.11	0.01	0.22		
(3, 5], (> 5]	0.94	1.79	0.18	0.85		
(> 5], (> 5]	68.64	61.35	26.95	15.39		
	As % of all cancelled orders					
'Fast'	5.74	54.80	1.19	30.60		
Algo 'fast'	3.63	54.49	0.43	29.66		

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SSF: Orders cancellations with duration less than a second

	As % of orders cancelled in <1 second				
MCap quartiles	Q1 (H	ighest)	Q4 (Lowest)		
Order location at	2009	2013	2009	2013	
Entry, Exit					
	As % of orders cancelled in <1 s				
(< 1], (< 1]	10.63	4.66	32.43	12.06	
(1, 3], (< 1]	0.94	0.57	1.03	0.84	
(3, 5], (< 1]	0.11	0.10	0.09	0.12	
(> 5], (< 1]	0.15	0.02	0.06	0.02	
(< 1], (1, 3]	7.33	4.39	10.74	7.77	
(1, 3], (1, 3]	17.86	6.38	27.95	18.93	
(3, 5], (1, 3]	0.72	0.84	0.31	0.89	
(> 5], (1, 3]	0.30	0.06	0.07	0.05	
(< 1], (3, 5]	0.68	0.16	0.45	0.78	
(1, 3], (3, 5]	3.06	5.28	1.22	11.42	
(3, 5], (3, 5]	4.47	7.65	3.88	12.27	
(> 5], (3, 5]	0.89	0.66	0.33	0.67	
(< 1], (> 5]	7.20	5.97	6.38	6.24	
(1, 3], (> 5]	7.89	4.64	4.40	7.21	
(3, 5], (> 5]	4.14	4.61	1.62	5.82	
(> 5], (> 5]	33.64	54.02	9.05	14.92	
		As % of a	ll cancelle	d orders	
'Fast'	9.02	74.48	3.17	53.14	
Algo 'fast'	4.90	73.21	1.19	52.47	

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