

## Applying Attention Metrics in Media & Analytics

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## What is a lemon market anyway?

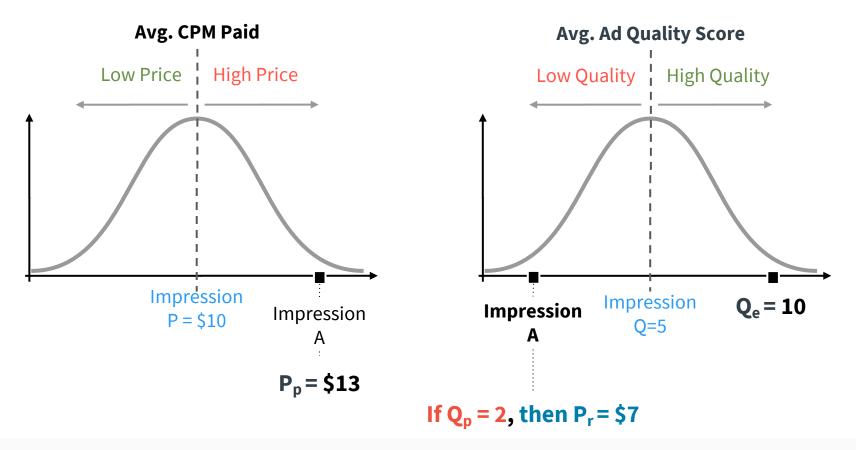


#### **George Akerlof**

"The Market for Lemons: Quality Uncertainty and the Market Mechanism" (1970).

A lemon market is when a buyer has **little or no information** about the quality of good BEFORE buying, but the seller does, and has no incentive to share it.

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	Low Quality	High Quality
High Price \$	Winner's Curse	Get what you pay for
Low Price \$	Get what you pay for	The programmatic sales pitch sold to marketers Pay tech fees → get bargain
		Lemonade Projects

#### Past Precedent



**Andrew Shebbeare** 

- Founder Essence Digital (WPP)
- LSE Graduate

2016 AdExchanger



#### Nico Neumann

- Professor University Melbourne
- Northwestern MBA

#### 2017 AdExchanger

## "Credible Mechanisms" 2019

"One view might be that if you give bidders very little information, maybe you can trick them into bidding more."



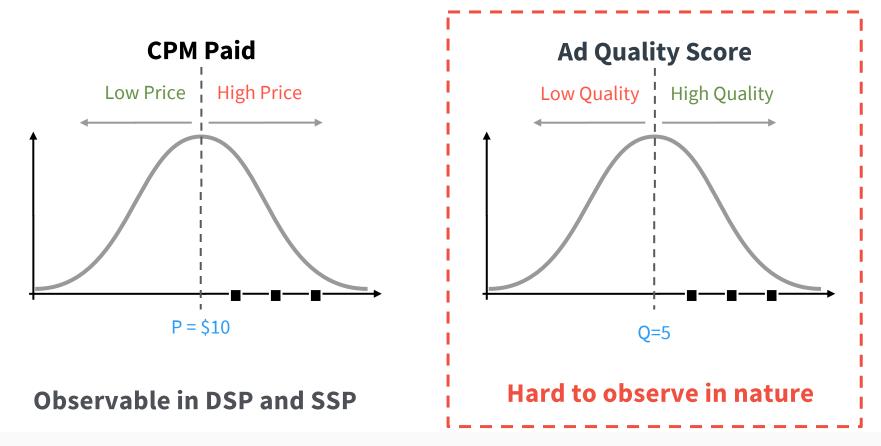
Mohammad Akbarpour

- Stanford Economists

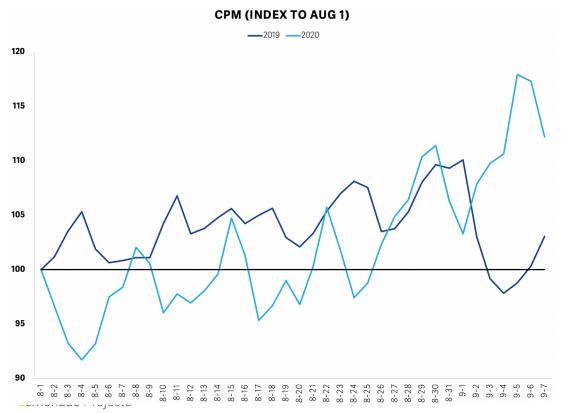


**Shengwu Li** - Harvard Economists

## Ad Quality Data Is Not Directly Observable



# Pricing Data is observable in DSP or SSP platform (or logs)



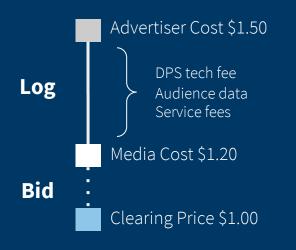
Source: Index Exchange Newsletter

#### **Advertiser Level**

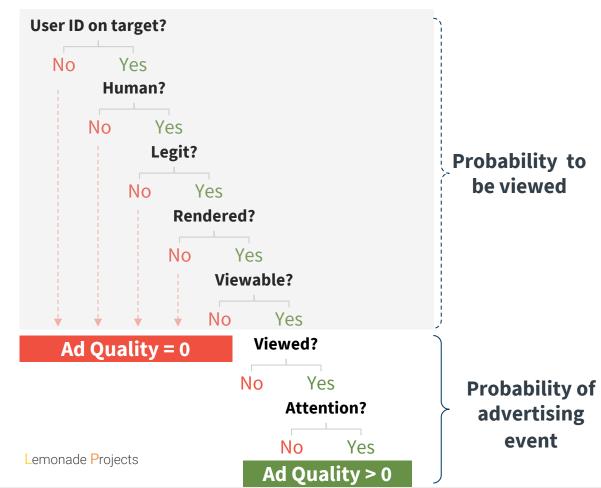
- Platform reports
- Log data
- Bid data

#### **Market Level**

- DSP
- SSP
- Adelaide



#### Ad Quality probabilities are hard to observe



**Attention Metrics** transcend ad quality probabilities.

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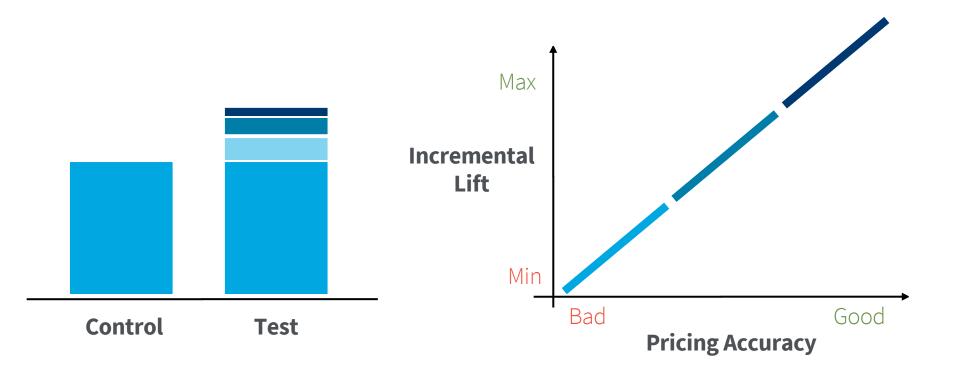
If you buy **and price** ad quality correctly, then the chances of ads capturing consumer **attention** > 0%.

If you capture consumer attention, then the chances of gaining **incremental lift** > 0

## Lemon Market Analysis with **Attention Metrics**



## Lemon markets analysis → short-cut to incrementality



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