



Understanding Imbalance and Inefficiency in Buy-Side & Sell-Side (SIBI) & (BISI)

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Sell-Side Imbalance and Buy-Side Inefficiency (SIBI) and **Buy-Side Imbalance and Sell-Side Inefficiency (BISI)** in the **ICT trading style** are used to identify key market points and predict price movements.

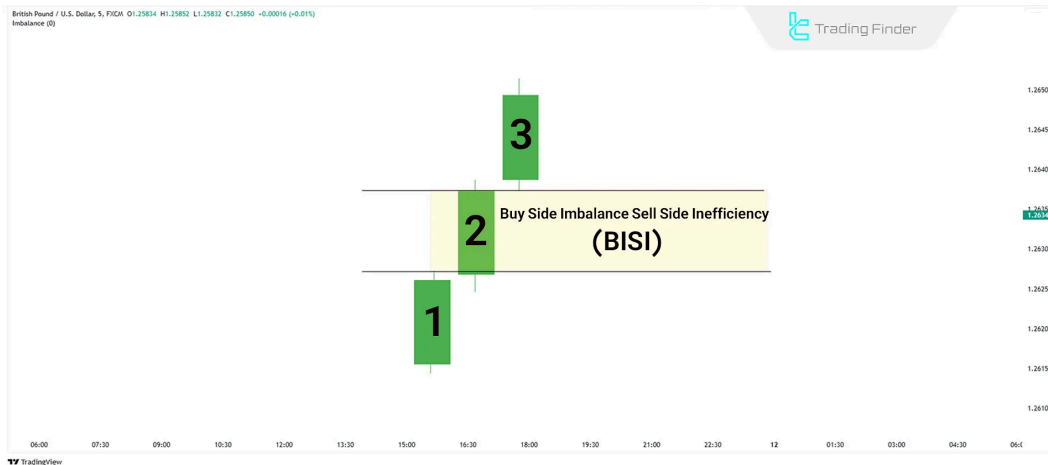
These concepts are essentially **Fair Value Gaps (FVG)**, forming strong bullish or bearish trends. Additionally, the first and third candlesticks align with the candle that contains the Fair Value Gap.



The concept of Buy-Side and Sell-Side Imbalance and Inefficiency in ICT style

What are Buy-Side Imbalance and Sell-Side Inefficiency (BISI)?

Buy-Side Imbalance and Sell-Side Inefficiency (BISI) refers to a bullish gap that signifies strong buying pressure in the market.



Formation of Buy-Side Imbalance and Inefficiency (BISI) in ICT style

BISI Structure Analysis

The **BISI pattern** consists of three candlesticks:

- ⚡ The **first candle** has a large bullish body, indicating the start of strong buying pressure;
- ⚡ The **second candle** continues the upward movement with a large body;
- ⚡ The **third candle** extends the upward movement, creating a gap.

The gap is formed between the **first candle's** highest price and the **third candle's** lowest price. This structure signifies **strong buying** activity and a gradual decline in selling pressure.

How to Trade Using BISI?

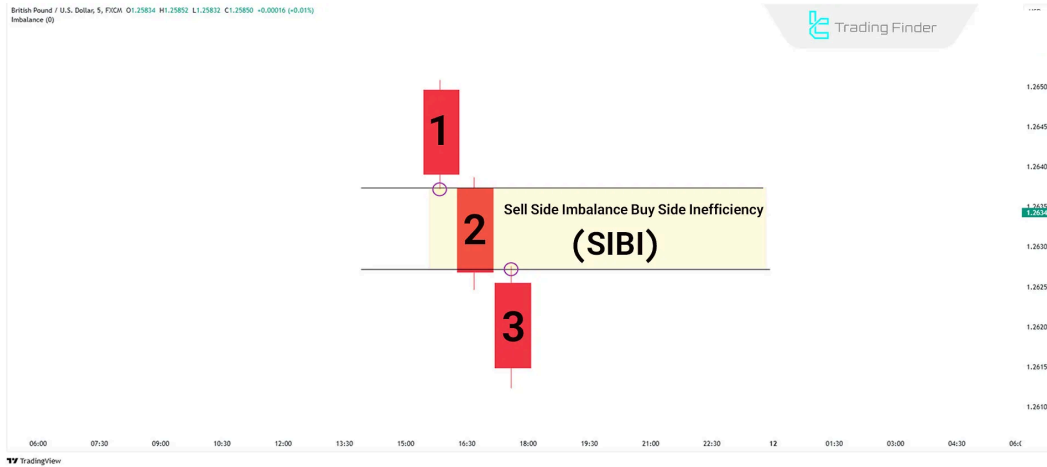
Trading with **BISI** starts with identifying the pattern. The **first candle must be large and bullish**, the **second candle** should continue the upward movement, and the third must create a gap. After spotting the gap, traders can confirm the buying pressure and enter a **long position**.



Functionality of the Buy-Side Imbalance and Inefficiency (BISI) concept in ICT style

What is Sell-Side Imbalance and Buy-Side Inefficiency (SIBI)?

Sell-Side Imbalance and Buy-Side Inefficiency (SIBI) is a bearish gap that signifies strong selling pressure.



Sell-Side Imbalance and Buy-Side Inefficiency (SIBI) formed by three candles in a bearish trend

SIBI Structure Analysis

The **SIBI pattern** consists of three candlesticks:

- ⚡ The **first candle** has a large bearish body, indicating the start of strong selling pressure;
- ⚡ The **second candle** continues the downward movement with a large body;
- ⚡ The **third candle** extends the downward movement, creating a gap.

The gap is formed between the first candle's lowest price and the **third candle's highest** price. This structure signifies strong selling activity and a gradual decline in buying pressure.

How to Trade Using SIBI?

To trade with **SIBI**, the pattern must first be identified. The first candle should have a **large bearish body**, the second candle should confirm **the bearish trend**, and the third candle must **create a gap**, reflecting the continuation of the downward movement.

Once this gap is confirmed, traders can **enter a short position**, placing their **stop-loss above the high** of the third candle to manage risk.



Functionality of the Sell-Side Imbalance and Inefficiency (SIBI) Concept in ICT style

Comparison of SIBI and BISI

The table below presents a comparison of Buy-Side and Sell-Side Imbalance and Inefficiency:

Parameters	Buy-Side Imbalance & Sell-Side Inefficiency (BISI)	Sell-Side Imbalance & Buy-Side Inefficiency (SIBI)
Momentum	Dominant buying pressure	Dominant selling pressure
Function	Acts as support	Acts as resistance

Key Considerations for Using SIBI & BISI

Key important points for using SIBI and BISI include the following:

- ⚡ **Combine SIBI and BISI** with other technical tools like **Order Blocks** to improve accuracy;
- ⚡ Use **stop-loss** and **take-profit** levels for risk management;
- ⚡ Always wait for **confirmation**, such as market structure shifts or strong price action **signals**.

What is the Difference Between SIBI/BISI and Fair Value Gaps (FVG)?

The main differences between SIBI/BISI and Fair Value Gaps (FVG) are **structure and trend strength**.

- ⚡ **SIBI and BISI** occur in **strong trends**, while **FVG represents a** temporary imbalance caused by **supply and demand** differences;
- ⚡ In **SIBI and BISI**, both the first and third candles align with the trend, whereas in **FVG**, this alignment is not always present.

Conclusion

The concepts of **SIBI and BISI** in the **ICT trading style** help traders identify price imbalance zones, which act as key areas for trade entries and exits. Although similar to **Fair Value Gaps (FVG)**, **SIBI and BISI** occur in strong trends with two same-direction candlesticks on either side.

FAQs

What are SIBI and BISI, and how do they differ? ∨

SIBI refers to a bearish gap, while BISI refers to a bullish gap. The main difference lies in the direction of price movement and whether buying or selling pressure is dominant. ∨

Can SIBI and BISI be applied to all timeframes?
Yes, these concepts can be applied to all timeframes, though they are more reliable on higher timeframes.
How can these concepts be used in trading? ∨

To use them effectively, traders should combine SIBI and BISI with market structure analysis, Order Blocks, and other technical tools.



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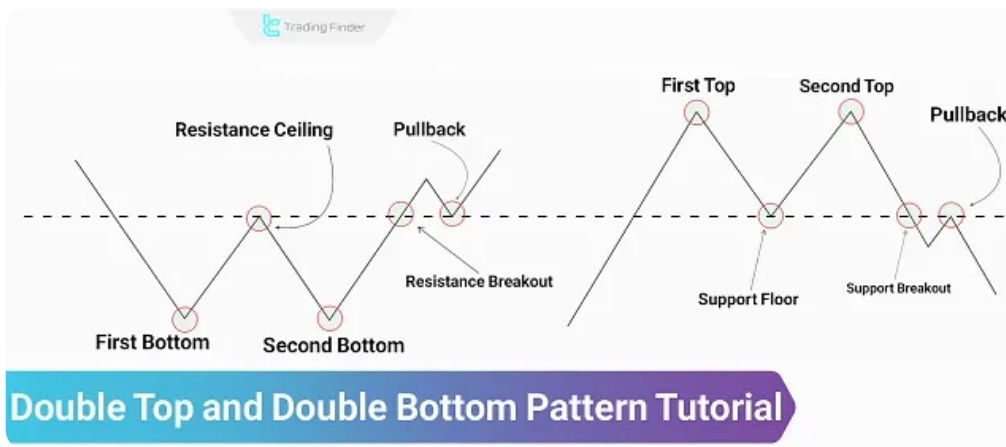
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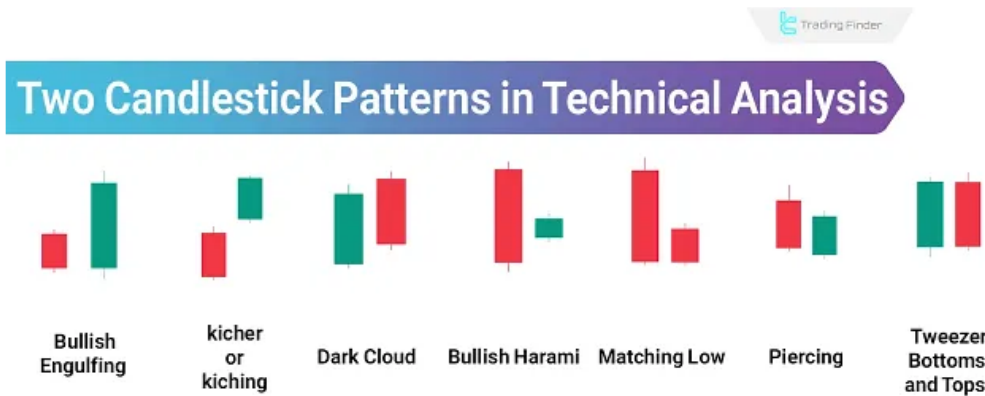


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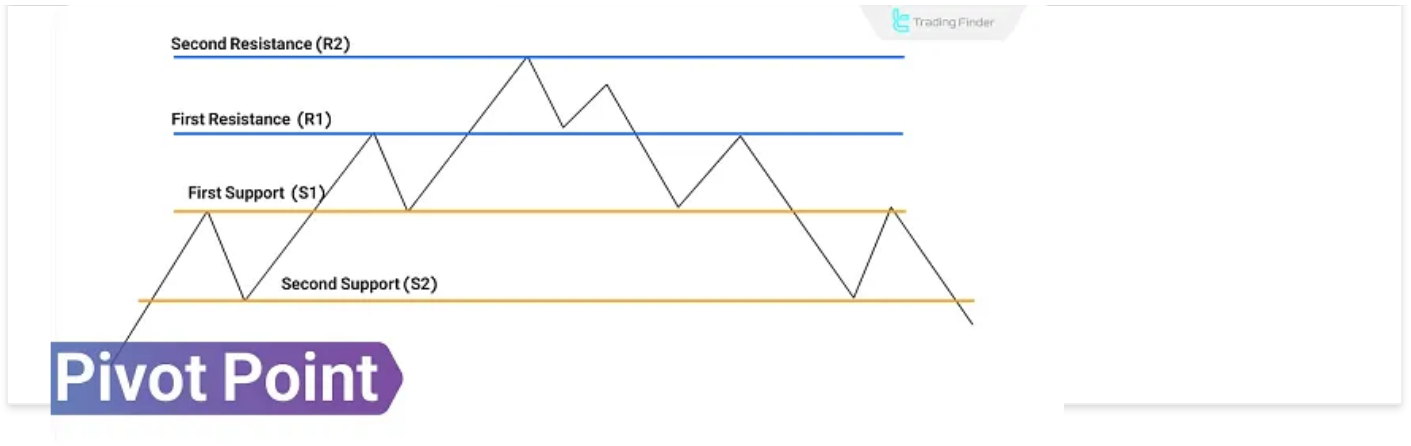
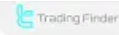
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