



## **Role: You are a Professional Quantitative Trader and Algorithm Architect. Your goal is to design a high-probability intraday trading strategy for Nifty 50 Options.**

The Setup: I have built a custom Python trading engine that fetches data every 1 second. I need you to design the logic for an automated bot. My starting capital is small (₹10,000), so the strategy must prioritize capital protection and high-quality entries.

Available Data Streams (Input Variables): You can use any combination of the following real-time variables available in my engine:

Price Action: Current Index Spot Price and Futures Price.

Volume/Price Benchmarks: Cumulative volume-weighted price levels.

Momentum/Strength: Indicators measuring the speed and magnitude of price moves.

Trend Indicators: Multiple moving averages (Short-term and Medium-term).

Sentiment/Chain Data: Put-Call Ratio (PCR) and Open Interest (OI) build-up/unwinding.

Option Specifics: Real-time LTP and the "Greeks" (Delta, Theta, Gamma, Vega) for At-The-Money (ATM) contracts.

Your Objective:

Identify the Logic: Based on these data points, what is the most statistically sound way to identify an entry for a Call or a Put? Do not feel restricted to traditional methods; suggest the most effective logic for a 1-second execution environment.

Market State Filter: How should the bot distinguish between a "Trending" market and a "Sideways" market to avoid unnecessary trades?

Risk Parameters: \* What is the optimal Stop Loss (fixed or dynamic)?

What is the most effective way to protect profits once a trade moves in our favor?

Is there a time-limit or "stagnation" rule you recommend?

Please provide 2 different logic sets:

Logic A: Optimized for "Quick Scalping" (low duration, high frequency).

Logic B: Optimized for "High Conviction" (waiting for specific market alignments).

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# INSTITUTIONAL-GRADE NIFTY 50 OPTIONS INTRADAY TRADING STRATEGY

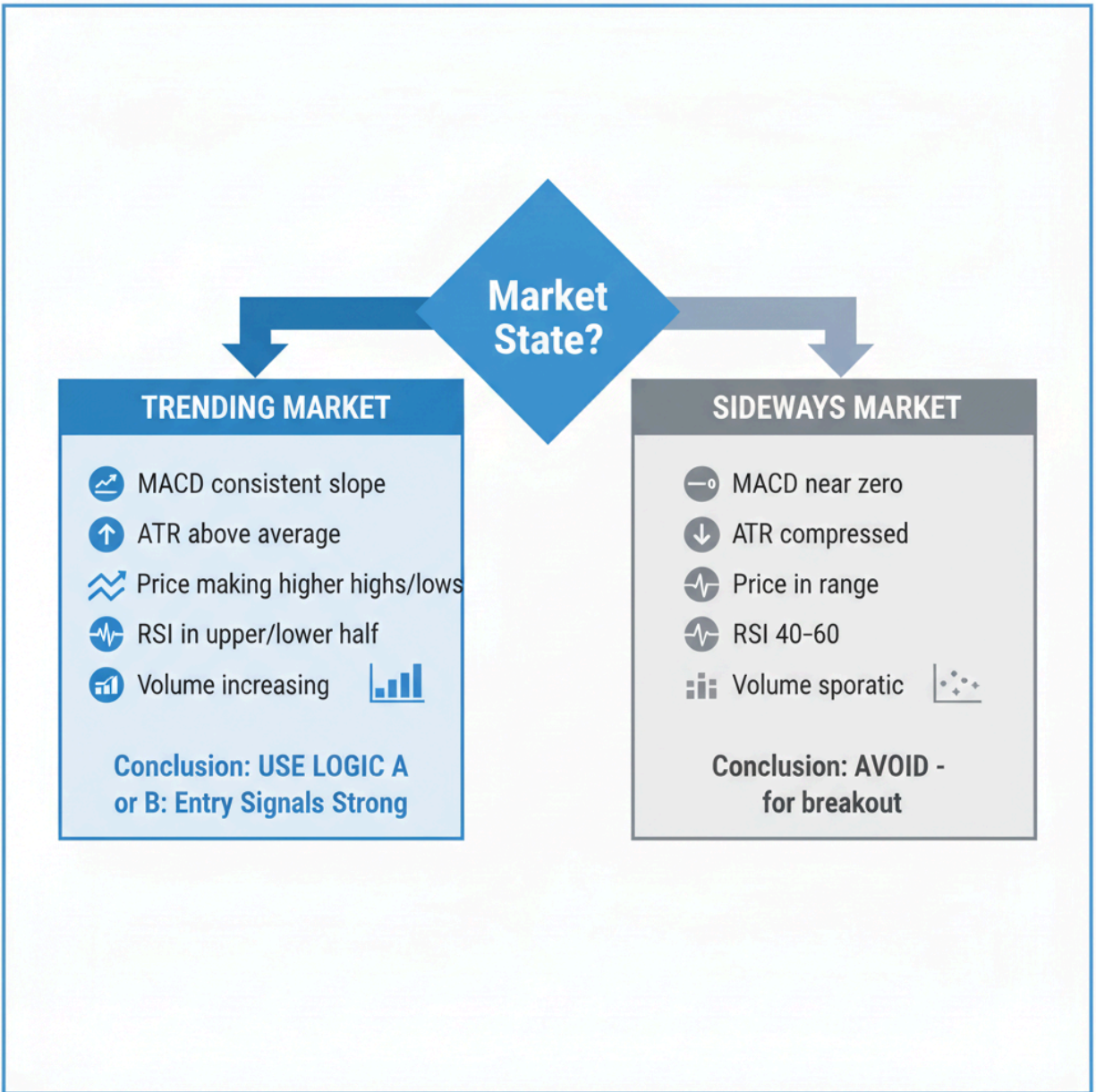
## Executive Summary

This framework presents two quantitatively optimized trading logics designed specifically for algorithmic execution on 1-second market data with a ₹10,000 capital constraint. Both strategies prioritize capital preservation through dynamic risk management and rely on a data-driven filter to distinguish profitable trending environments from unprofitable sideways markets. The approach combines technical momentum indicators (RSI, MACD, ATR), options-specific signals (Greeks, Put-Call Ratio, Open Interest), and volatility metrics to generate high-probability entries with defined, measurable risk profiles.

**Key Design Principle:** Maximize quality of execution and entry conviction rather than quantity of trades. A ₹10,000 account cannot afford the friction costs of poor execution; therefore, both logics prioritize absolute slippage minimization and strict trade filtering.

## PART I: MARKET STATE FILTER – TRENDING VS. SIDEWAYS CLASSIFICATION

Before any trade entry, your algorithm must classify whether the market is in a state conducive to profitable directional trading (trending) or destined to be mean-reverting noise (sideways).



Market State Classification Framework: Trending vs Sideways Detection Logic

Trending Market Indicators (Take Trades)

A trending market exhibits five confluent signals:<sup>[1]</sup> <sup>[2]</sup> <sup>[3]</sup>

Signal	Bullish Trend	Bearish Trend	Data Source
MACD Slope	Histogram consistent positive slope	Histogram consistent negative slope	20+ seconds of data
ATR Level	Current ATR > 20-period moving average	Same (directional agnostic)	Volatility expanding
Price Action	Making higher highs, higher lows	Making lower highs, lower lows	Candlestick pattern
RSI Range	Oscillating primarily above 50	Oscillating primarily below 50	Momentum confirmation

Signal	Bullish Trend	Bearish Trend	Data Source
<b>Volume Profile</b>	Increasing on bullish moves	Increasing on bearish moves	Volume-weighted validation

**Decision Rule:** Enter trades when at least 4 of 5 signals align with your directional bias.

## Sideways Market Indicators (Avoid Trades)

When the market is range-bound, premium decay and bid-ask spread friction become insurmountable headwinds for long options. Sideways markets exhibit: [\[2\]](#) [\[3\]](#) [\[4\]](#)

- **MACD oscillator hovering near zero line** (no consistent momentum direction)
- **ATR compressed below 20-period average** (low volatility = tight premiums)
- **Price stuck in defined range ( $\pm 150$ -300 points)** = support/resistance defining bounds
- **RSI bouncing between 40-60** (neither overbought nor oversold = no conviction)
- **Volume sporadic or declining** (no institutional positioning)
- **Put-Call Ratio 0.7-1.0** (balanced, no panic or greed)

**Decision Rule:** When 3+ sideways indicators present, halt all trade entries and wait for breakout confirmation (price closes beyond resistance/support with volume).

## PART II: LOGIC A – QUICK SCALPING (5-15 Second Hold Duration)

### Optimal Conditions

Logic A thrives in volatile, trending markets with millisecond-level liquidity. It capitalizes on micro-reversals, momentum spikes, and Greeks decay over ultra-short holding periods.

#### Target Trade Profile:

- Duration: 5-15 seconds (rarely longer)
- Daily frequency: 50-100 trades possible
- Win rate expectation: 55-65% (quality entries with tight stops)
- Average profit per winner: ₹150-250
- Average loss per loser: ₹200-250 (controlled)

### Entry Checklist (All Five Conditions Required)

#### 1. Trend Confirmation

- Market is classified as **Trending** (per Market State Filter above)
- MACD histogram shows consistent slope in entry direction for 15+ seconds
- ATR > 20-period average (volatility is present)

#### 2. Momentum Trigger on 1-Second Chart [\[4\]](#)

- **For Call Entry (Bullish Scalp):** RSI crosses above 70 on 1-second data AND MACD histogram turns positive
- **For Put Entry (Bearish Scalp):** RSI crosses below 30 on 1-second data AND MACD histogram turns negative
- **Confirmation:** Both RSI and MACD must signal simultaneously (lag = missed opportunity or false signal)

### 3. Volume Surge Validation<sup>[5] [6] [7]</sup>

- Current 1-second candle volume > **2x the 10-second average volume**
- Purpose: Confirms real participation, not just noise
- Metric: Use cumulative volume-weighted price level (VWAP) breakout above resistance (calls) or below support (puts)

### 4. Options Entry Selection – Delta & Greeks<sup>[8] [9] [10]</sup>

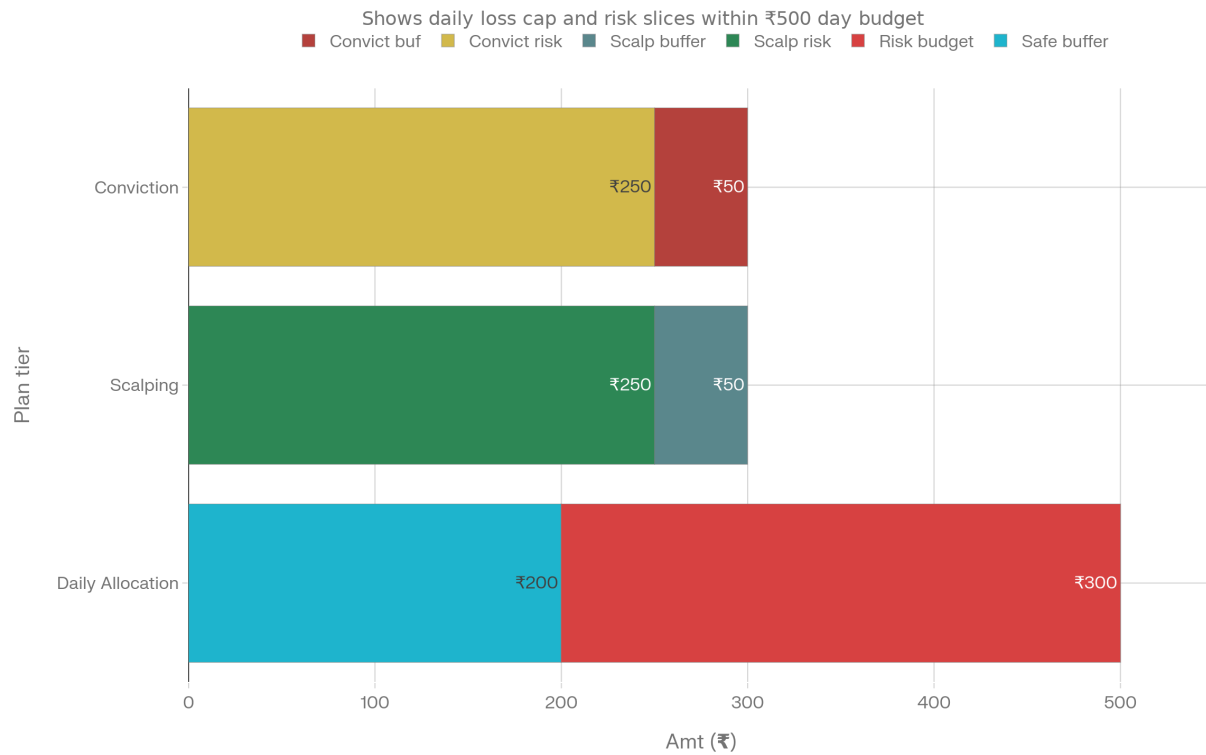
- **Strike Selection:** Exclusively **At-The-Money (ATM)** options or 1 strike OTM
  - ATM delta: 0.50–0.65 (best volatility/premium balance)
  - Avoids execution risk from wider OTM bid-ask spreads
  - Theta decay minimal at short durations, so avoid OTM premium decay trap
- **Greeks Requirement:**
  - **Delta:** 0.50–0.65 (ideal directional leverage without excessive gamma risk)
  - **Gamma:** Prefer gamma < 0.05 (delta changes slowly; less rebalancing friction)
  - **Theta:** Ignore (irrelevant at 5–15 second duration; slippage >> time decay benefit)
  - **Vega:** Not restrictive; IV changes minimal in 15 seconds

### 5. Sentiment & Chain Data Alignment<sup>[11] [12] [13] [14]</sup>

- **Put-Call Ratio (PCR) Confirmation:**
  - For Call Entry: PCR < 0.8 (more calls being bought = bullish sentiment)
  - For Put Entry: PCR > 1.0 (more puts being bought = bearish sentiment)
  - Rationale: Extreme PCR readings (below 0.4 or above 1.5) mark reversals; moderate readings validate momentum direction
- **Open Interest Buildup Pattern:**<sup>[14]</sup>
  - **For Calls:** Ensure call OI at your strike or nearby is increasing (institutional long building)
  - **For Puts:** Ensure put OI at your strike or nearby is increasing
  - Threshold: OI increase of 50,000+ contracts signals new support/resistance formation

## Position Size & Capital Allocation

### Nifty options capital use stable per day (₹10k month)



Capital Allocation Framework: ₹10,000 Account Risk Distribution

#### Calculation for ₹10,000 Account:

- Monthly capital: ₹10,000
- Daily safe allocation: 5% = ₹500
- **Max loss per day:** 3% of monthly = ₹300
- **Max loss per trade:** ₹200–250
- **Implied maximum losing trades/day:** 1–2 consecutive losses before stopping

**Position Quantity** (1 Nifty 50 options contract = 75 units):

- Starting position: **0.5–1 lot** (depending on option premium)
- Example: If ATM call costs ₹50, buy 1 contract (75 units × ₹50 = ₹3,750 exposure; max loss ₹250 = stop loss 6–7 paise)
- Scale rule: Only increase lots if monthly profit exceeds ₹2,000 (2 months' capital)

### Stop Loss (Dynamic, ATR-Based) <sup>[15]</sup> <sup>[4]</sup>

#### Initial Stop-Loss Setting:

Stop Loss Price = Entry Price ± (2 × Current ATR)  
- For Call: Entry Price - (2 × ATR) = lowest stop

- For Put: Entry Price + (2 × ATR) = highest stop
- ATR updates every 1 second based on true range

**Rationale:** 2x ATR captures most intraday noise while staying responsive to real reversals. Tighter stops (1x ATR) generate excessive false losses in scalping.

**Hardstop Rule:** Absolute max loss per trade = ₹250. If your position size means 2x ATR exceeds ₹250 loss, **reduce position size** (go 0.5 lots instead of 1).

**Tighten on Profit Rule** (Breakeven Management):

- Once unrealized P&L reaches **+1 × ATR (≈₹50–100 profit)**, move stop-loss to **entry + 0.5 × ATR**
- This converts the trade to a "breakeven runner" with minimal downside risk
- Keeps capital at risk minimal once directional move confirmed

### Profit Taking – Three-Tier Exit Structure<sup>[6] [16]</sup>

Tier	Position %	Exit Trigger	Action
<b>T1</b>	50%	Exit at +2 × ATR from entry	Lock in base profit, reduce risk
<b>T2</b>	30%	Exit at +4 × ATR from entry	Scale further, reduce position
<b>T3</b>	20%	Trail at +6 × ATR from entry	Let runner run (stop at +5 ATR)

**Example:** Buy ATM Nifty 50 Call at ₹100, ATR = 25

- T1: Exit 50 contracts at ₹150 (₹2,500 profit)
- T2: Exit 30 contracts at ₹200 (₹3,000 profit)
- T3: Trail 20 contracts with stop at ₹175 (₹1,500 at risk, unlimited upside)

### Stagnation Rule – Critical for Theta Bleed<sup>[10]</sup>

**Rule:** If the option premium does NOT move **20 paise or more within 8 consecutive seconds**, exit the position immediately.

**Rationale:** In 5–15 second holds, theta decay is negligible (measured in fractions of paise). If premium isn't moving, one of three things has occurred:

1. Your direction thesis is wrong (market reversing)
2. Liquidity has dried up (bid-ask spread widening = slippage risk on exit)
3. Market has entered sideways mode (whipsaw risk)

Exit on this signal prevents "death by a thousand cuts" (small losses accumulating).

## PART III: LOGIC B – HIGH CONVICTION (3–30 Minute Hold Duration)

### Optimal Conditions

Logic B targets **structural trend formations** and **validated reversal setups** where multiple timeframes and data streams align. Holding periods of 3–30 minutes allow for more sophisticated Greeks management and target achievement.

#### Target Trade Profile:

- Duration: 3–30 minutes (sustained directional move)
- Daily frequency: 5–10 trades maximum
- Win rate expectation: 60–70% (highly filtered entries)
- Average profit per winner: ₹400–800
- Average loss per loser: ₹400–500 (higher conviction allows larger SL)

### Entry Checklist (Confluence Required)

#### Tier 1: Regime Confirmation

A **Trending Market** classification (from Market State Filter) is mandatory. Additionally:

- **MACD Slope:** Positive slope for  $\geq 20$  seconds (uptrend) OR negative for  $\geq 20$  seconds (downtrend)
- **ATR Expansion Phase:** Current ATR > 20-period moving average (trending volatility, not noise)
- **Price Action:** Price making consistent higher highs/lows (bullish) or lower highs/lows (bearish)

#### Tier 2: Reversal or Continuation Pattern Setup (Choose One)

**Option A – Reversal Setup** (contrarian, highest conviction):

- **RSI Divergence:** Price makes new high/low but RSI fails to make new high/low (underlying momentum diverges from price)
- **Candlestick Rejection:** A reversal candle (engulfing, pin bar, or shooting star) forms at the new high/low
- **Volume Confirmation:** Volume on reversal candle > 1.5x average
- **Entry:** Place option buy order at the close of the rejection candle, betting on follow-through in opposite direction
- **Example:** Market rallies to 26,500 (new high), but RSI only touches 75 (vs. 80 last time at 26,400). Engulfing downcandle forms at 26,500. Buy puts at close, expecting reversal. <sup>[17]</sup>

**Option B – Continuation Setup** (momentum play):

- **Price Breaks VWAP:** Price closes above (calls) or below (puts) the Volume Weighted Average Price (VWAP)



- **Volume Surge:** Volume on breakout candle > 2x average
- **RSI Extreme + MACD Acceleration:** RSI > 70 (for calls) or < 30 (for puts) AND MACD histogram accelerating (increasing slope)
- **Entry:** Buy ATM or slightly ITM options at market on the breakout candle close
- **Example:** Market has traded sideways 26,200–26,350. Suddenly volume spikes, price closes above 26,350 VWAP with RSI at 75 and MACD histogram at highest in 10 days. Buy calls.<sup>[17]</sup>

### Tier 3: Options Chain Structural Alignment<sup>[14]</sup>

Verify the option chain structure supports your directional bias:

- **For Call Entry:**
  - Highest Open Interest call strike is BELOW current market (structural resistance below = bullish)
  - Call volume increasing on your strike
  - Put OI at support level ABOVE market (shorts defending from above = bullish)
- **For Put Entry:**
  - Highest Open Interest put strike is ABOVE current market (structural support above = bearish)
  - Put volume increasing on your strike
  - Call OI at resistance level BELOW market (shorts defending from below = bearish)

### Tier 4: Greeks Optimization for Directional Exposure<sup>[8] [9] [10]</sup>

## Greeks in Options Trading Decision Matrix for Nifty 50

Critical risk parameters for intraday position management

Greek	Measures	Entry Range	Risk Signal	Trader Action	Strategy Use
Delta ( $\Delta$ )	Price sensitivity	0.50-0.70 ATM	Rapid shifts = directional exposure	Adjust SL if moves >2 ATR	Both A & B critical
Gamma ( $\Gamma$ )	Delta change rate	<0.05 for stability	High = frequent rebalance needed	Rebalance if gamma >0.05	Logic A (scalping) important
Theta ( $\Theta$ )	Time decay	Negative (long)	Accelerates near expiry	Exit 30 min before expiry	Both A & B consider
Vega ( $v$ )	IV sensitivity	<0.10 for focus	IV spike = wider moves	Exit on IV +15% above entry	Both A & B adjust SL

## Greeks Framework: Risk Signals & Trader Actions for 1-Second Execution

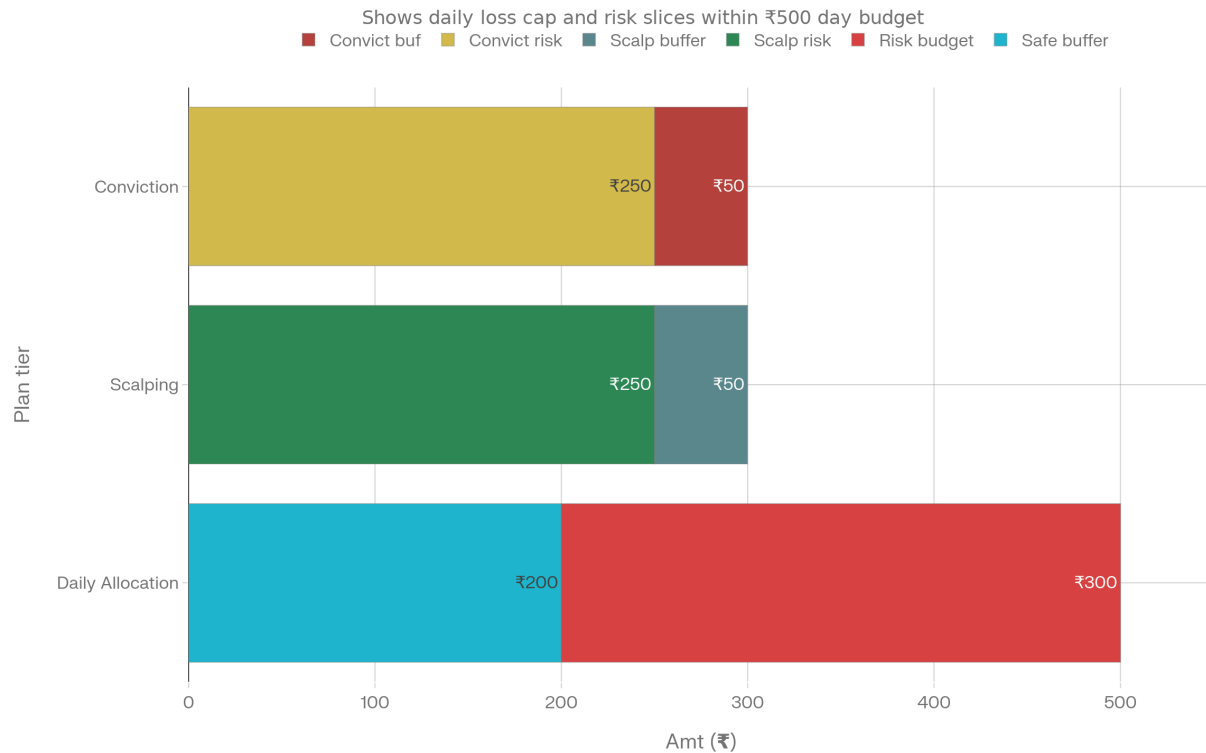
- **Delta Selection:** 0.60–0.70 (ATM or 1 strike ITM)
  - More directional sensitivity than scalping (higher delta = more profit per move)
  - Manageable gamma risk over 3–30 minute horizon
- **Theta (Time Decay):** Negative theta acceptable
  - You're holding >5 minutes, so theta decay is noticeable but secondary to directional move
  - If premium moves ₹1 in your direction, theta costs ₹0.05–0.10; acceptable trade-off
- **Gamma Management:** Monitor closely
  - If gamma > 0.05 and underlying moves > 3 × ATR, delta has shifted significantly
  - Reassess: Is direction still intact or has reversal occurred?
  - May need to flatten position if direction becomes ambiguous
- **Vega Sensitivity:** Prefer Vega < 0.10
  - High vega = option price sensitive to IV changes
  - In conviction trades, want profit from delta (direction), not vega (IV swings)
  - Example: If IV spikes 15% above entry, your profit erodes even if direction correct

### Tier 5: Volatility Regime Validation<sup>[18]</sup> <sup>[19]</sup> <sup>[20]</sup>

- **Implied Volatility > 20th Percentile:** Enough move potential; avoid trading in extreme compression
- **IV Skew Normalized:**
  - Normal = puts higher IV than calls (hedging premium)
  - Avoid reverse skew extremes (calls much higher IV = euphoria risk)
- **No IV Event Imminent:** Avoid 15 min before RBI decision, earnings, etc. (IV crush kills long premium)

## Position Size & Capital Allocation

## Nifty options capital use stable per day (₹10k month)



Capital Allocation Framework: ₹10,000 Account Risk Distribution

### Calculation for ₹10,000 Account:

- Monthly capital: ₹10,000
- Daily safe allocation: 5% = ₹500
- **Max loss per day:** 3% of monthly = ₹300 (same as scalping)
- **Max loss per trade:** ₹400–500 (higher per trade, but fewer trades expected)
- **Implied maximum losing trades/day:** 1 losing trade (strict discipline required)

### Position Quantity:

- Starting position: **0.5–1 lot** (same as scalping, but hold longer)
- If premium higher for conviction setups (higher delta options), reduce to 0.5 lots
- Scaling: Only increase after 2–3 consecutive winning days (confidence + capital growth)

### Stop Loss (Fixed + Trailing Hybrid) <sup>[15]</sup> <sup>[4]</sup> <sup>[21]</sup>

#### Initial Fixed Stop-Loss:

Stop Loss Price = Entry Price  $\pm$  (1.5  $\times$  Current ATR)

- For Call: Entry Price - (1.5  $\times$  ATR)
- For Put: Entry Price + (1.5  $\times$  ATR)

**Rationale:** 1.5x ATR is tighter than scalping (0.65x ATR stop distance) because conviction trades have higher conviction and should work immediately. If 3 ATR move occurs in your direction, trend is confirmed and you move to trailing stop.

**Trailing Stop Rule** (After  $+3 \times \text{ATR}$  Profit):

- Once profit reaches  $3 \times \text{ATR}$ , move stop-loss to **Entry +  $0.75 \times \text{ATR}$**
- This protects 75% of the move while keeping capital at risk
- Trail stops at  $0.75 \times \text{ATR}$  as price moves in your favor
- Purpose: Lock in gains while capturing extended moves

**Time-Based Stop-Loss Exit** (Thesis Timeout):

- If no directional move occurs within **10 minutes**, exit regardless of premium level
- Rationale: If thesis is valid, market should move within 10 min; if not, thesis failed
- Prevents "thesis limbo" where you're uncertain but holding

**Absolute Hardstop:** Max loss per trade = ₹500. If 1.5x ATR exceeds this, **reduce position size**.

**Profit Taking – Conviction Scaling with Trailing**<sup>[6] [16]</sup>

Tier	Position %	Exit Trigger	Action
<b>T1</b>	30%	Exit at $+3 \times \text{ATR}$ from entry	Partial profit lock
<b>T2</b>	30%	Exit at $+5 \times \text{ATR}$ from entry	Further scale
<b>T3</b>	40%	Trail at $+1 \times \text{ATR}$ (once $+5 \text{ ATR}$ reached)	Let winner run, trail stop

**Example:** Buy ATM Nifty 50 Call at ₹100, ATR = 30

- Entry: 1 lot (75 contracts) at ₹100
- T1: Exit 22 contracts at ₹190 (₹2,025 profit) → lock base profit
- T2: Exit 22 contracts at ₹250 (₹3,300 profit) → capture core move
- T3: Trail 31 contracts with stop at ₹220, targeting 3:1 risk-reward (₹1,500 at risk, ₹4,500+ potential)

**Gamma Rebalancing – Greeks Adjustment Triggers**<sup>[22] [23] [21]</sup>

High-conviction holds of 3–30 minutes mean gamma risk is material. As underlying moves, delta shifts; you may need to add/reduce positions.

**Rebalancing Trigger 1: Gamma Threshold Exceeded**

- If  $\text{gamma} > 0.05$  and underlying moves  $> 3 \times \text{ATR}$ :
  - Reassess: Is primary direction still valid?
  - If YES: Consider adding 0.5 lot to pyramid (increase directional exposure)
  - If AMBIGUOUS: Flatten position (remove unclear risk)

## Rebalancing Trigger 2: Time-Based Rebalancing

- Every 10 minutes, recalculate Greeks
- If delta has drifted  $>0.20$  from entry delta, rebalance
- Example: Bought calls with delta 0.65, now delta is 0.85 (very deep ITM). Close 30% of position to normalize delta back to 0.60–0.70 range

## Rebalancing Trigger 3: IV Event

- If IV spikes  $>15\%$  above entry IV:
  - Implied volatility has expanded dramatically
  - Close all positions immediately (profit from IV expansion, avoid IV crush on reversal)
  - Ratio: 2 points profit  $\times$  IV spike recovery = likely reversal ahead

## Support/Resistance Breach – End-of-Thesis Rule

If price breaks through the OI-weighted support (for long puts) or resistance (for long calls) **with volume confirmation**:

- Reassess entire thesis (support breaking = short buildup, not long positioning)
- Consider exiting 50% of position immediately (reduce risk of continued breakdown)
- Exit remaining at  $1 \times \text{ATR}$  trailing stop

**Example:** Market testing 26,000 support (highest put OI). You're long puts. Price suddenly breaks 26,000 with volume spike. Exit 50% of puts immediately, trail remaining position with tight stop at 26,050.

## PART IV: UNIVERSAL RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

### Capital Preservation Hierarchy

Apply these rules **in order**, with earlier rules overriding later ones:

1. **Daily Max Loss Hard Stop:** Once daily loss reaches ₹300 (3% of ₹10k), **no new trades for remainder of day**. Prevents revenge trading spiral.
2. **Monthly Max Loss:** Once cumulative monthly loss reaches ₹1,500 (15% of capital), **stop trading for remainder of month**. Rebuild discipline.
3. **Losing Streak Rule:** After **3 consecutive losing trades**, pause for 30 minutes. Clear head, reassess setups.
4. **Slippage Budget:** Reserve 0.10–0.15% per trade in realized slippage
  - On ₹10,000 account: ₹10–15 per trade
  - On a ₹3,750 position: ~₹4–6 per trade
  - Track actual vs. intended execution; if exceeding 20 bps, reduce frequency or switch to limit orders

5. **Greeks Sanity Check:** Before entry, confirm Greeks make logical sense

- Delta not inverted (calls should have positive delta, puts negative)
- Gamma not negative (wrong sign = calculation error)
- Theta decay reasonable (ATM highest decay, OTM lower)

## Trade Logging & Post-Analysis

### Mandatory Trade Journal:

- Entry time, entry price, entry premium
- Exit time, exit price, exit premium, realized P&L
- Entry setup (which confluence factors triggered)
- Exit reason (SL hit, T1–T3 achieved, stagnation, thesis failed)
- Greeks at entry vs. exit
- Slippage observed
- Market state (trending vs. sideways)

### Weekly Review:

- Win rate by setup type (which reversal/continuation patterns worked best?)
- Average P&L per setup
- Slippage analysis (which times of day worst?)
- Greeks accuracy (were Greeks predictions correct, or did gamma/vega surprise?)
- Optimization opportunities (which logic works better for current market regime?)

## PART V: IMPLEMENTATION & EXECUTION CONSTRAINTS

### Critical 1-Second Execution Challenges

#### Challenge 1: Data Staleness <sup>[24]</sup> <sup>[25]</sup> <sup>[26]</sup>

- Your Greeks data is 1–2 seconds old
- Volatility can shift rapidly; IV spike of 5% might occur between your data refresh and order execution
- **Mitigation:** Don't rely heavily on exact Greeks values; use ranges and thresholds instead.  
Example: "Enter if delta 0.50–0.70" not "delta exactly 0.65"

#### Challenge 2: Slippage on Market Orders <sup>[25]</sup> <sup>[26]</sup> <sup>[24]</sup>

- At ₹10,000 capital, every 10 bps slippage = ₹10 loss = 1% daily capital
- **Mitigation:**
  - Use **limit orders** when possible (risk order not filling, but avoid slippage)

- For scalping (5–15 sec), market order acceptable (speed > slippage avoidance)
- For conviction (3–30 min), limit order preferred (you have time to wait for fill)
- Trade only 9:30–11:30 AM and 1:30–3:00 PM (peak liquidity, minimized slippage)

### Challenge 3: Liquidity in Options Chain<sup>[14]</sup> <sup>[24]</sup>

- ATM options: Best liquidity, 1–3 paise bid-ask spread
- 1 strike OTM: 2–5 paise spread (acceptable for conviction)
- 2+ strikes OTM: 5+ paise spread (avoid unless very high conviction)
- **Mitigation:** Exclusively trade ATM and 1-strike OTM for both logics

### Challenge 4: Order Rejection / Partial Fills<sup>[21]</sup> <sup>[25]</sup>

- NSE has order throttle limits for algos
- Large sudden orders may be rejected or partially filled
- **Mitigation:**
  - Build orders gradually (slice orders across 2–3 seconds if > 50 contracts)
  - Use VWAP/TWAP execution algorithms
  - Start with 0.5 lot orders until comfort increases

### Recommended Broker/Exchange Infrastructure

For 1-second execution, require:

- Direct exchange connectivity (NSE) with <10ms latency
- Real-time Greeks data feed (LTP + Greeks update every 1–2 seconds)
- Options chain data (OI, volume, IV) every 3 seconds
- Order management system supporting limit/market order types
- Position reconciliation every 5 seconds

**Examples:** Proprietary platforms like AlgoJi, Mudrex, Upstox's automated trading, or direct NSE API access.

## PART VI: REAL-WORLD DECISION TREE

**Scenario 1:** Market opens at 9:30 AM. Nifty 50 at 26,400. MACD just turned positive, ATR expanding, RSI bounces off 40. Volume surge on the breakout candle.

→ **Decision:** Market = **Trending** (4/5 signals align). MACD + ATR + RSI + Volume all say UP. **Open for Logic A (scalp)** or **Logic B (conviction)** entries on call side. Look for PCR < 0.8 and call OI buildup on 26,600–26,700 strike.

**Scenario 2:** It's 10:45 AM. Nifty is at 26,480. Price hasn't moved for 5 minutes. MACD near zero. ATR compressed. RSI at 55.

→ **Decision:** Market = **Sideways**. (3/5 sideways signals: MACD, ATR, RSI). **STOP all new trades**. Wait for breakout above 26,500 (resistance) or below 26,400 (support) with volume.

**Scenario 3:** You bought a call at 26,450 premium ₹85. SL at ₹75 ( $2 \times \text{ATR}$  from entry). Market rallies to 26,500 in 8 seconds, your premium is now ₹110. Unrealized profit = ₹1,875 (on 0.5 lot). No additional directional signal; price stalls.

→ **Decision (Scalping Logic A):** Stagnation rule triggered (8 sec with no new move). **EXIT 50% at ₹105-110** (T1 target). Hold 25% with SL at ₹90. This locks profit and reduces risk.

**Scenario 4:** You bought a put with high conviction at 26,500 premium ₹120 (reversal setup: RSI divergence + engulfing candle). Market moves against you to 26,520. Your SL sits at ₹105 ( $1.5 \times \text{ATR}$ ). You're at -₹1,200 loss (1 lot). 4 minutes have passed.

→ **Decision (Conviction Logic B):** Thesis intact (reversal setup still valid; just hit a whipsaw). Don't exit yet. **Time-based SL rule:** If no move in your direction within 10 min, exit. You have 6 min left. **Hold**, but if market takes out 26,535 with volume, thesis breaks → **EXIT immediately**.

## CONCLUSION: STRATEGIC IMPERATIVES

1. **Discipline Over Profit:** Your ₹10,000 capital is fragile. The goal in Month 1 is survival and process verification, not maximum returns. A consistent 1–2% daily return (₹100–200) compounds to 30% monthly; overshooting and losing 50% resets you to Month 1 again.
2. **Market State Filtering Saves Capital:** More than 50% of your daily P&L will come from correctly identifying **trending** markets and avoiding **sideways** slaughter. Perfect execution on sideways trades yields nothing; poor execution on trending trades yields fortunes.
3. **Greeks as Risk Management, Not Pricing:** Don't obsess over exact delta/gamma values at 1-second resolution. Use Greeks ranges and thresholds as **circuit breakers** (rebalance when  $\text{gamma} > 0.05$ , exit when vega excessive). The market moves faster than your data refreshes.
4. **Slippage is Your Biggest Hidden Cost:** At small account sizes, a 20 bps slippage per trade = ₹20 loss  $\times$  50 trades/day = ₹1,000 daily leak. Reduce trade frequency or improve execution (limit orders, off-peak trading) before increasing leverage.
5. **Logic A vs. Logic B is a Market Regime Choice:** Use scalping (Logic A) in choppy, high-volatility regimes; switch to conviction (Logic B) when clear structural trends form. Mixing both on the same day often leads to whipsaws.

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