

# Trading Strategies Involving Options

#### Reference:

John Hull, Futures, Options and Other Derivatives (global edition, 9ed.) 2019. Ch. 12

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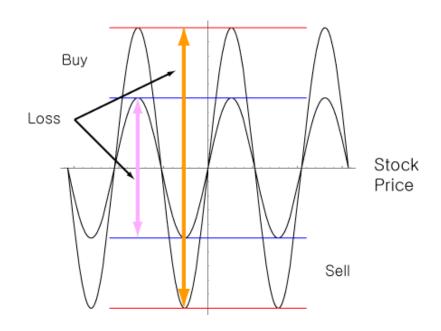
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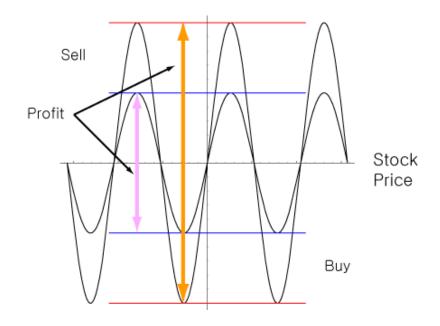


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Short gamma Position

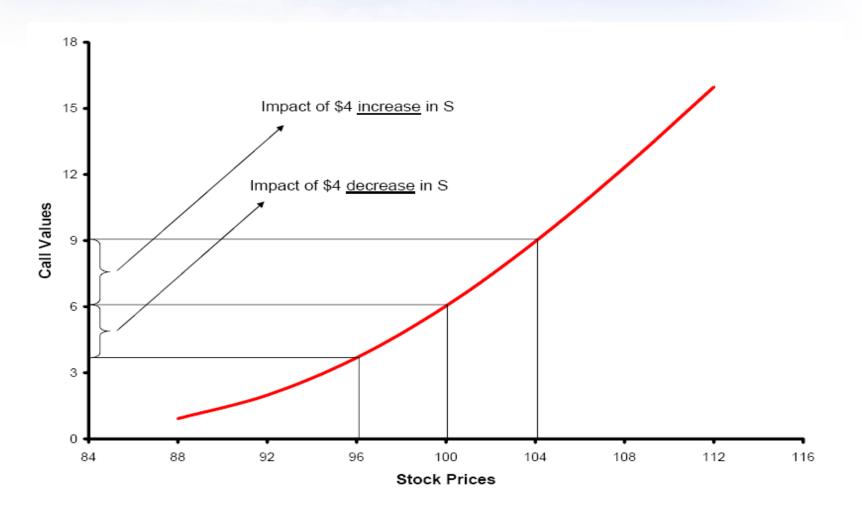


Long gamma Position

#### Gamma as a View on Volatility

- As a measure of curvature, gamma reflects a view on volatility
- As motivation for this point, consider the holder of a call option
- The curvature in the call implies that the holder of a call benefits more from a price increase than he loses from a corresponding price decrease
- Ex.) in a Black-Scholes model with K = 100,  $\sigma = 0.2$ , r = 0.05, T-t=0.5 years, we can check the following:
  - At S = 100, we have C = 6.889.
  - If S increases to 104, the option price increases by 2.600.
  - If S falls to 96, the option price decreases by only 2.166

#### Curvature and Asymmetric Responses



#### Gamma and the Asymmetry

- Thus, curvature creates asymmetric exposure to price changes
- This is also true for puts: put holders benefit more from price decreases than they lose from price increases.
- The extent of the asymmetry depends on the gamma:
  - Large Γ ⇒ considerable curvature ⇒ substantial asymmetry
  - Small  $\Gamma \Rightarrow$  option price is nearly linear  $\Rightarrow$  little asymmetry

# Long Gamma: Long Volatility

- Asymmetric exposure is desirable if you expect an increase in volatility: it will enable you to benefit more on the upside than you lose on the downside
- Thus, a positive gamma position can be regarded as a <u>bullish</u> view on volatility
- Analogously, a negative gamma position, which is the gamma of the short position in the option, can be regarded as a bearish view on volatility

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**Covered Call, Protective Put** 

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**Bull/Bear Spread, Butterfly** 

**Calendar Spread** 

4. Combinations

Straddle, Strangle

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## Strategies to be Considered

- Bond plus option to create principal protected note
- Stock plus option
- Two or more options of the same type (: spread)
- Two or more options of different types (: combination)

#### Principal Protected Note

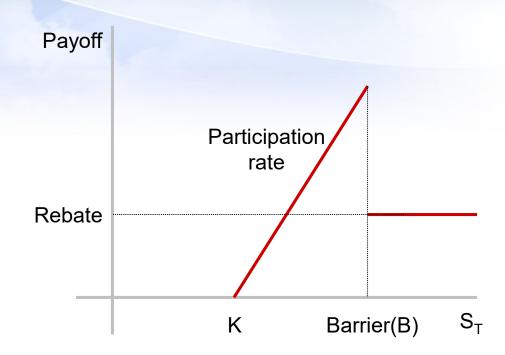
- The return earned by the investor depends on the performance of a stock, a stock index, or other risky asset, but the initial principal amount invested is not at risk.
- Example: \$1000 instrument consisting of
  - 3-year zero-coupon bond with principal of \$1000
  - 3-year at-the-money call option on a stock portfolio currently worth \$1000

#### Principal Protected Notes continued

- Viability depends on
  - Level of dividends
  - Level of interest rates
  - Volatility of the portfolio
- Variations on standard product
  - Out of the money strike price
  - Caps on investor return
  - Knock outs, averaging features, etc

## Example

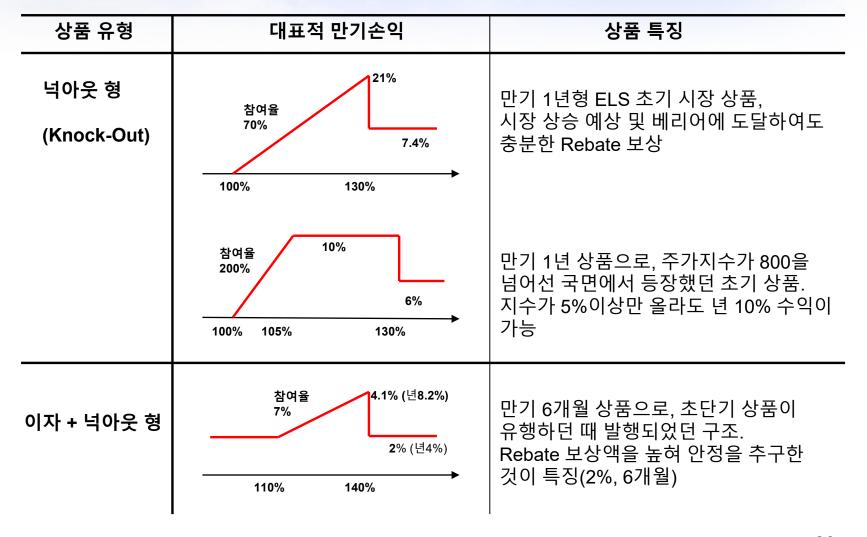
Knock out & Rebate



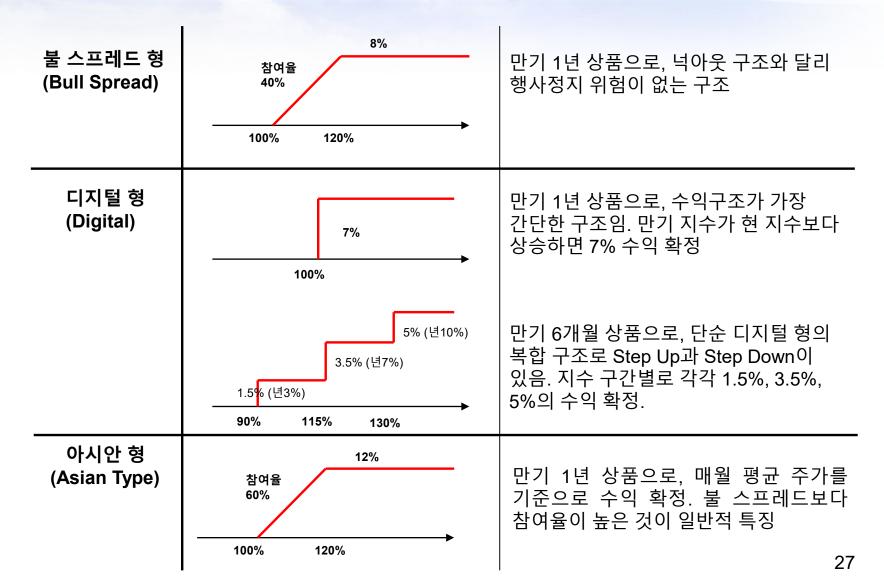
#### [수익구조]

- 기초자산이 만기 평가일까지 단 1회라도 베리어(B)를 초과 상승한 적이 있는 경우, Principal x (1+Rebate rate)
- 2. '1'의 경우에 해당하지 않고, 만기평가지수(S<sub>T</sub>)가 최초 기준가(K)의 100%이하에 있는 경우, Principal
- 3. 만기평가지수가 최초 기준가(K)와 베리어(B) 미만에 있는 경우, Principal x [1+(S<sub>T</sub> K) / K] x Participation rate

## Example (continued)



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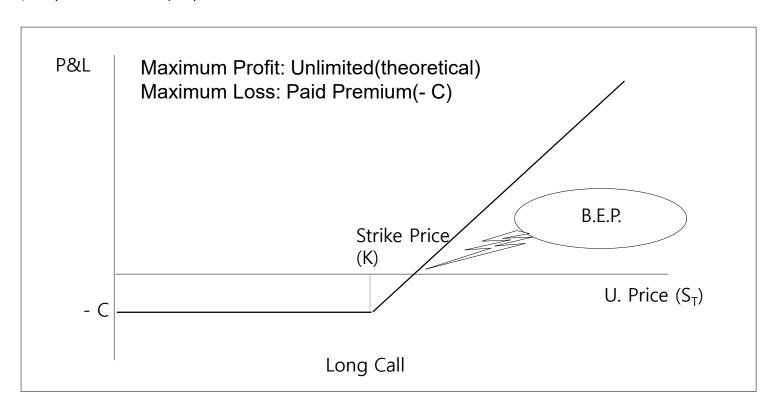


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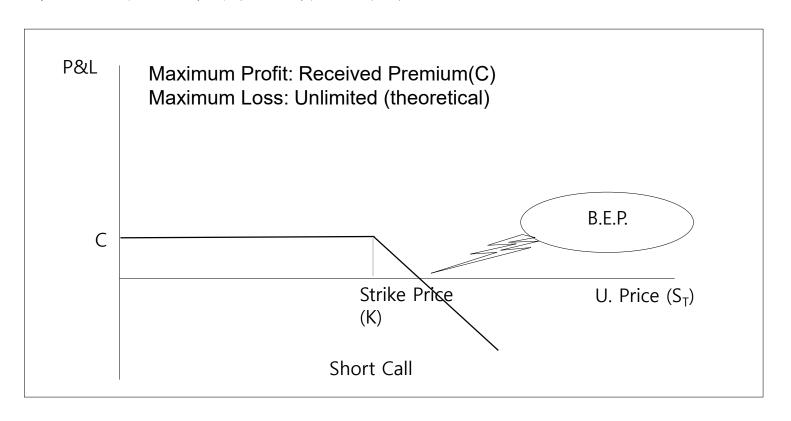
#### Naked Position: Long Call

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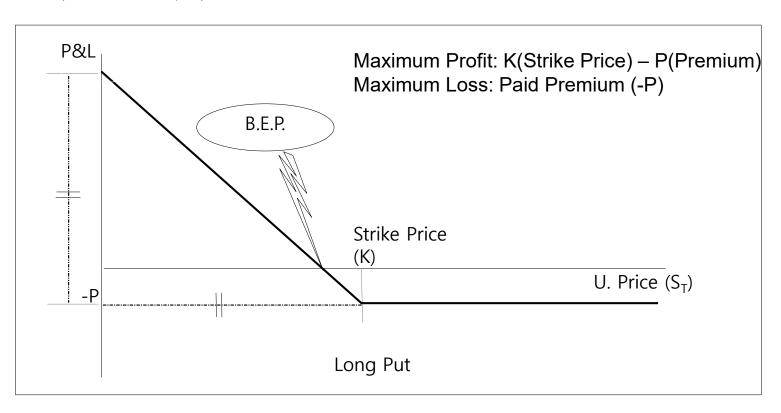
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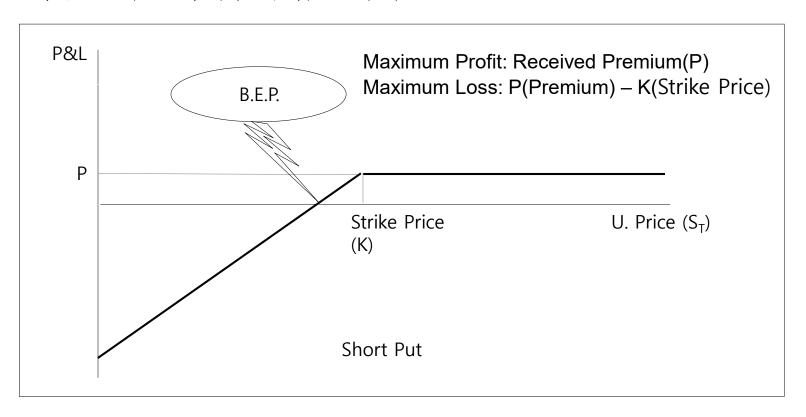
#### Naked Position: Long Put

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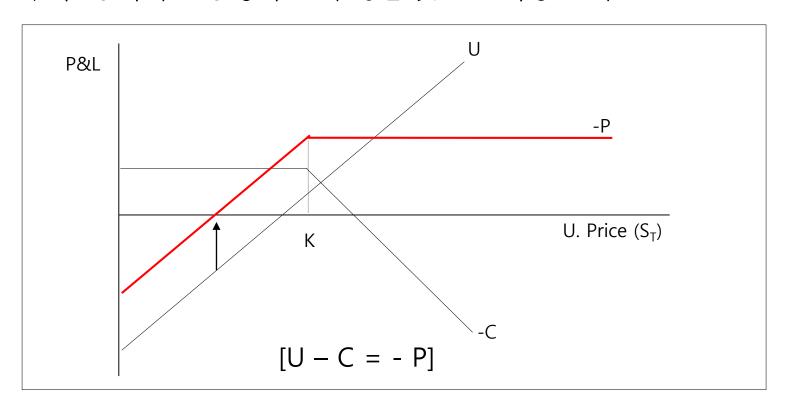
#### Naked Position: Short Put

거래동기: 기초자산 가격의 변동이 작거나 기초자산 가격의 상승이 예상될 때 프리미엄 수입을 기대



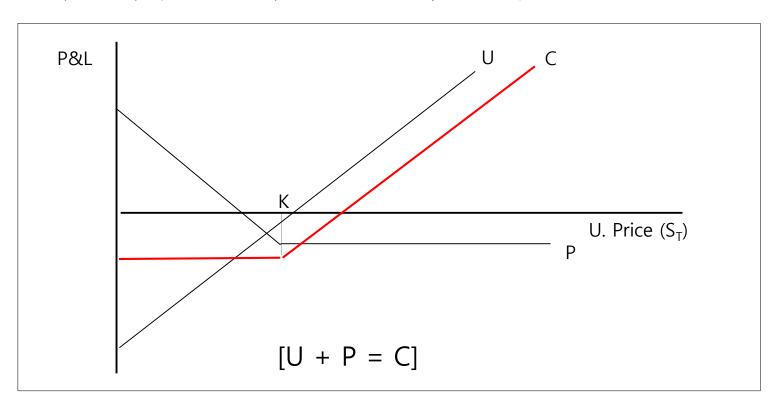
#### Hedged Position: Covered Call

거래동기: 기초자산 보유 상태에서 가격 하락 대비 헤지 포지션 구축. 동시에 변동성이 크지 않을 것으로 예상될 때

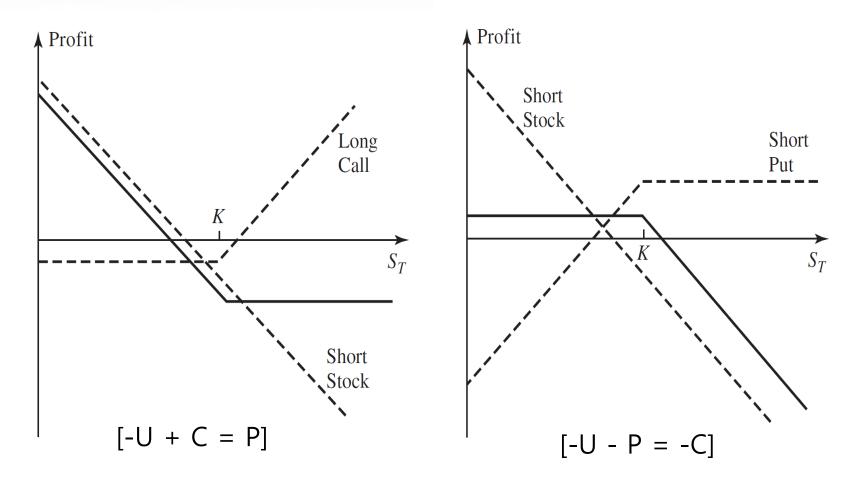


#### Hedged Position: Protective Put

거래동기: 기초자산 보유 상태에서 가격 하락 대비 헤지 포지션 구축. 동시에 변동성이 클 것으로 예상될 때



# Hedged Position with Short Underlying Asset

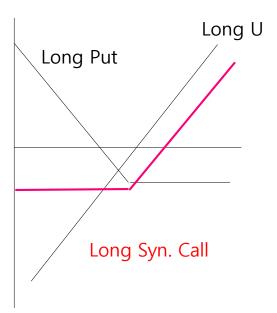


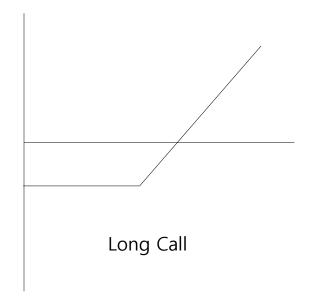
#### Synthetic Position

$$U = C - P$$

#### **Position Synthetic Equivalent**

$$+P = +C - U$$
 $U-C = -P$ 
 $+C = U+P$ 
 $U+P = +C$ 
 $-C+P = -U$ 
 $-P+C = +U$ 





# Arbitrage

Long Call + Short Put = Synthetic Futures vs. Traded Futures

S <sub>T</sub> Position	If S <sub>⊤</sub> ≥ K, Payoff at T	If S <sub>T</sub> < K, Payoff at T
Long Call	S <sub>T</sub> -K-P <sub>C</sub>	-P <sub>C</sub>
Short Put	P <sub>P</sub>	S <sub>T</sub> - K+ P <sub>P</sub>
Long Call + Short Put	S <sub>T</sub> - K+ (P <sub>P</sub> -P <sub>C</sub> )	S <sub>T</sub> - K + (P <sub>P</sub> -P <sub>C</sub> )

## Practical Example

[Prices] same M.

70.0 C: 3.0

70.0 P: 2.0

F: **70.5** 

Syn. Futures Price = 3.0 - 2.0 + 70.0 = 71.0

Short Syn. F. @71.0 + Long F @70.5

→ risk-free profit 0.5pt(=71.0-70.5)
(:: same maturity)

Supposed that Contract sizes are different!!

Ex.) Futures: ₩500,000 per Contract, Options: ₩100,000 per Contract

 $\rightarrow$  Q<sub>OPTION</sub> = 5 x Q<sub>FUTURES</sub>

5 Short 70.0 Call @3.0 5 Long 70.0인 Put @2.0

1 Long F @70.5

Arbitrage Gain =  $0.5pt \times 500,000 = 250,000$ 

## Practical Example (continued)

Long Call + Short Put = Synthetic Futures vs. Traded Futures

If S <sub>T</sub> ≥ 70 (S <sub>T</sub> =100), Payoff at T		If S <sub>T</sub> < 70 (S <sub>T</sub> =50), Payoff at T	
5 Short 70 Call @3.0	$-5 \times [(100 - 70) - 3.0] \times 100,000 = -13,500,000$	5 × 3.0 × 100,000 = 1.500,000	
5 Long 70 Put @2.0	$5 \times (-2.0) \times 100,000 =$ $-1,000,000$	5 × [(70-50) - 2.0] × 100,000= 9,000,000	
1 Long Futures @70.5	$[100 - 70.5] \times 500,000$ = 14,750,000	$[50-70.5] \times 500,000$ = -10,250,000	
Profit	250,000	250,000	

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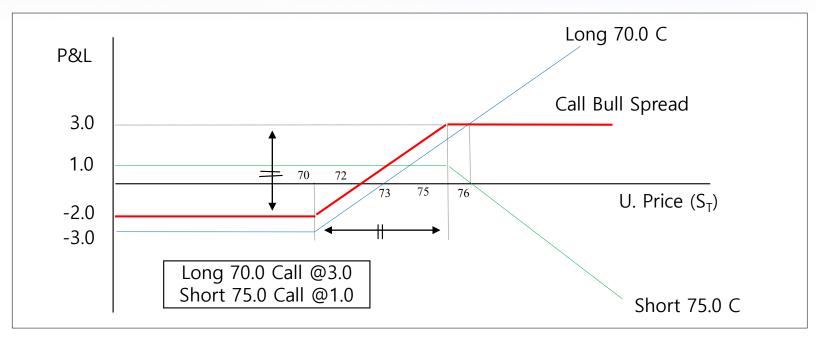
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## Spread Position

A spread trading strategy involves taking a position in two or more options of the **same type** (i.e., two or more calls or two or more puts).

- Call spread vs. Put spread
- Price spread or Money spread vs. Calendar spread or Time spread
- Long spread vs. Short spread
- Bull spread vs. Bear spread

#### Bull Spread Using Calls

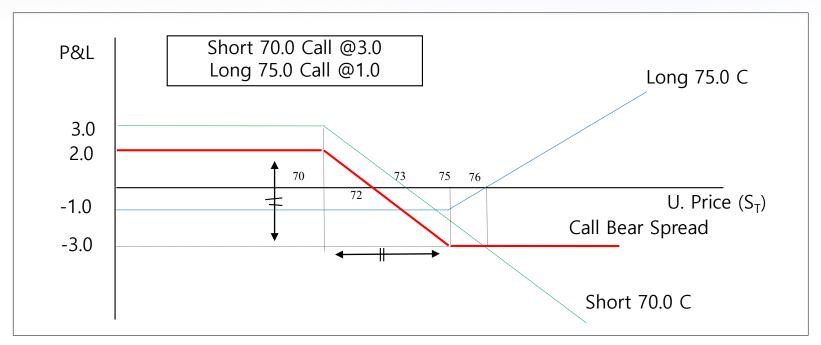


Maximum Profit – Maximum Loss =  $K_2 - K_1$  (Difference between the two exercise prices)

$$=3.0 - (-2.0) = 5.0 = 75.0 - 70.0$$

Bull Spread = Long Call or Put  $(K_1)$  + Short Call or Put  $(K_2)$  when  $K_2 > K_1$ 

#### Bear Spread Using Calls



Maximum Profit – Maximum Loss =  $K_2 - K_1$  (Difference between the two exercise prices)

$$=2.0 - (-3.0) = 5.0 = 75.0 - 70.0$$

Bear Spread = Short Call or Put  $(K_1)$  + Long Call or Put  $(K_2)$  when  $K_2 > K_1$ 

# Question?

Short 70.0 Put @1.0 Long 75.0 Put @3.0

## Box Spread

- A box spread is a combination of a bull call spread with strike prices K<sub>1</sub> and K<sub>2</sub> and a bear put spread with the same two strike prices
- If all options are European, the payoff from a box spread is always K<sub>2</sub> - K<sub>1</sub>. The value of a box spread is therefore always the present value of this payoff or

$$(K_2-K_1)e^{-rT}$$

If they are American, this is not necessarily so (see Business Snapshot 11.1)

#### Box Spread Payoff

**Table 12.3** Payoff from a box spread.

Stock price range	Payoff from bull call spread	Payoff from bear put spread	Total payoff
$S_T \leqslant K_1$	0	$K_2 - K_1$	$K_2 - K_1$
$K_1 < S_T < K_2$	$S_T - K_1$	$K_2 - S_T$	$K_2 - K_1$
$S_T \geqslant K_2$	$K_2 - K_1$	0	$K_2-K_1$

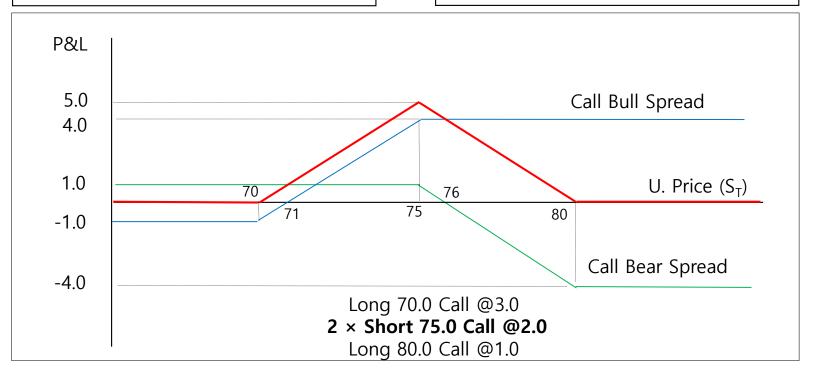
# Butterfly Spread

- A butterfly spread involves positions in options with three different strike prices
- It can be created by buying a European call option with a relatively low strike price K<sub>1</sub>, buying a European call option with a relatively high strike price K<sub>3</sub>, and selling two European call options with a strike price K<sub>2</sub> that is halfway between K<sub>1</sub> and K<sub>3</sub>. Generally, K<sub>2</sub> is close to the current stock price
- Butterfly = Bull Spread + Bear Spread

### Butterfly Spread Using Calls

#### Long Butterfly

<Bull Spread>
Long 70.0 Call @3.0
Short 75.0 Call @2.0



### Question?

<Bear Spread>
Short 70.0 Call @5.0
Long 75.0 Call @2.0

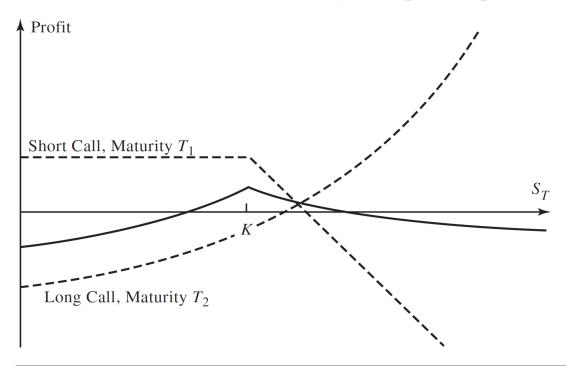
<Bull Spread>
Long 75.0 Call @2.0
Short 80.0 Call @1.0

### Calendar Spreads

- A calendar spread can be created by selling a European call option with a certain strike price and buying a longer-maturity European call option with the same strike price
- The longer the maturity of an option, the more expensive it usually is. A calendar spread therefore usually requires an initial investment.
- Profit diagrams for calendar spreads are usually produced so that they show the profit when the shortmaturity option expires on the assumption that the long-maturity option is closed out at that time.

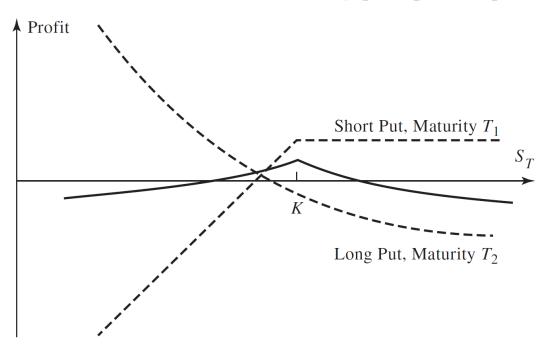
### Calendar Spread Using Calls

**Figure 12.8** Profit from calendar spread created using two call options, calculated at the time when the short-maturity call option expires.



### Calendar Spread Using Puts

**Figure 12.9** Profit from calendar spread created using two put options, calculated at the time when the short-maturity put option expires.



## Diagonal Spreads

- Bull, bear, and calendar spreads can all be created from a long position in one call and a short position in another call
- In the case of bull and bear spreads, the calls have different strike prices and the same expiration date
- In the case of calendar spreads, the calls have the same strike price and different expiration dates
- In a diagonal spread <u>both the expiration date and the strike price</u> of the calls are <u>different</u>. This increases the range of profit patterns that are possible.

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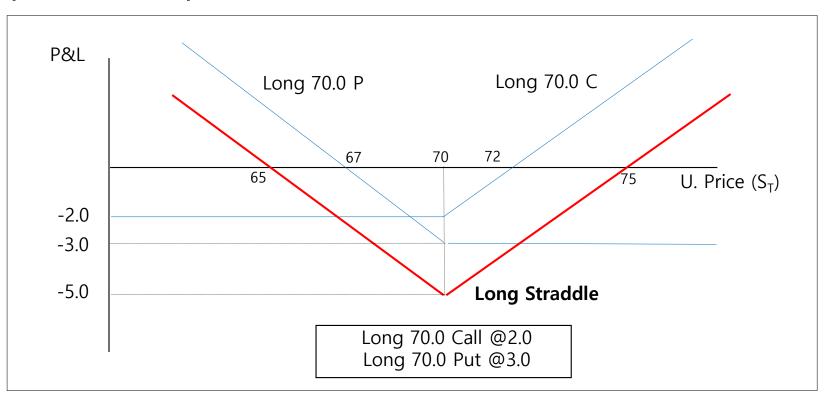
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#### **Combinations**

- A combination is an option trading strategy that involves taking a position in <u>both calls</u> and <u>puts</u> on the same stock.
  - Straddles
  - Strips
  - Straps
  - Strangles

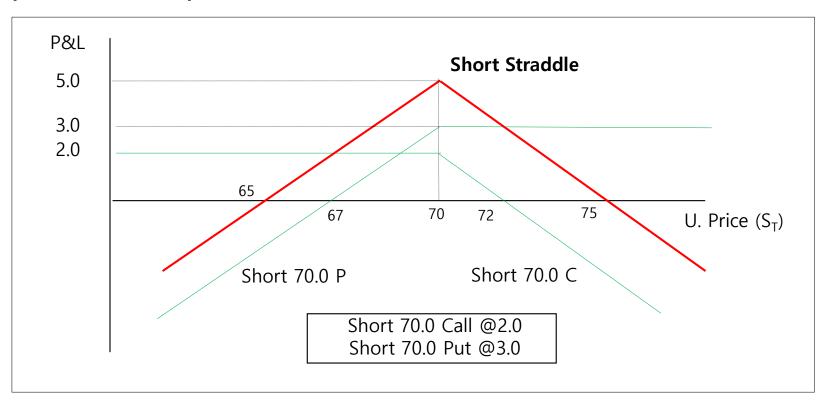
### Long Straddle

Buying a European call and put with the same strike price and expiration date



### Short Straddle

# Selling a European call and put with the same strike price and expiration date

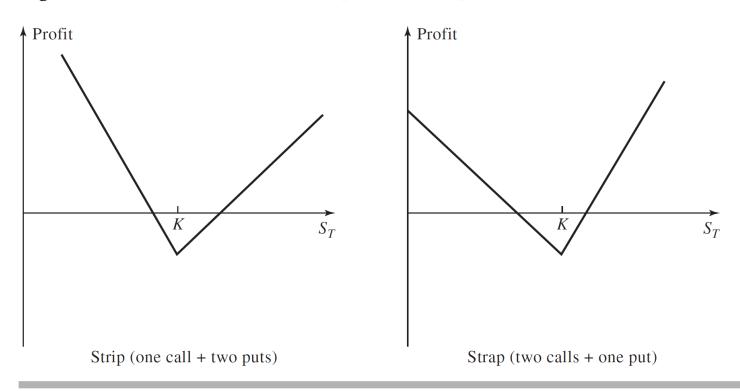


## Strips and Straps

- A strip consists of a long position in <u>one European</u> <u>call</u> and <u>two European puts</u> with the same strike price and expiration date
- In a strip the investor is betting that there will be a big stock price move and considers a <u>decrease in the</u> <u>stock price</u> to be more likely than an increase
- A strap consists of a long position in <u>two European</u> <u>calls</u> and <u>one European put</u> with the same strike price and expiration date.
- In a strap the investor is also betting that there will be a big stock price move and considers an <u>increase in</u> the stock price to be more likely than a decrease

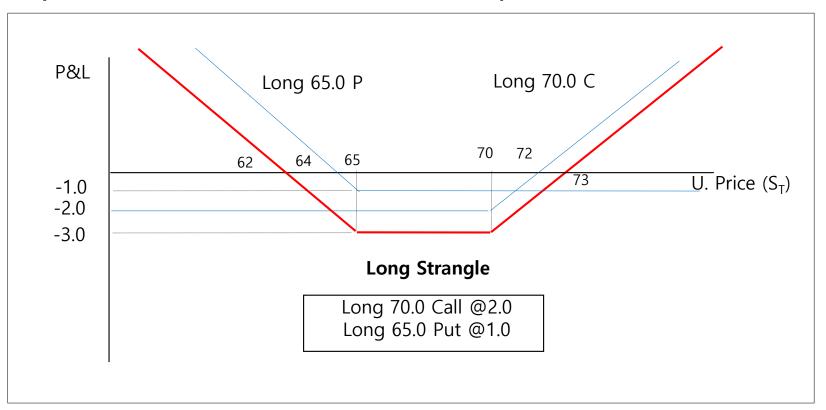
### Profit from a Strip and a Strap

**Figure 12.11** Profit from a strip and a strap.



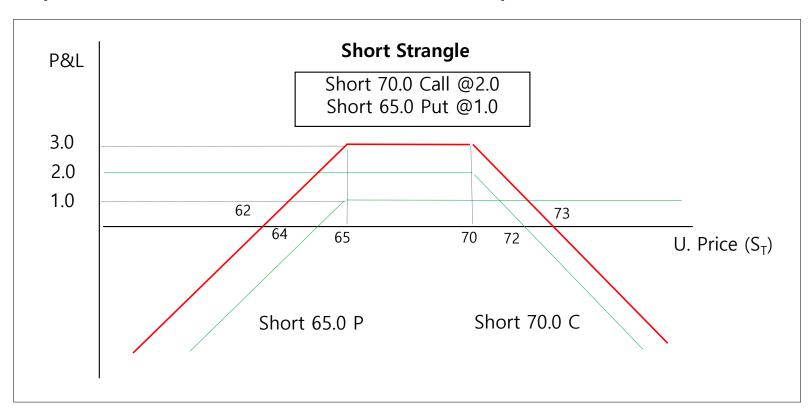
## Long Strangle

Buying a European call and put with the same expiration date and different strike prices

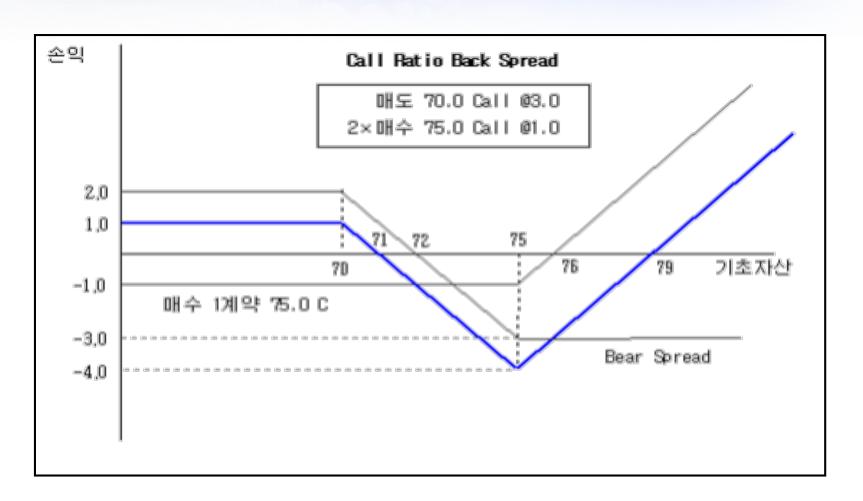


## Short Strangle

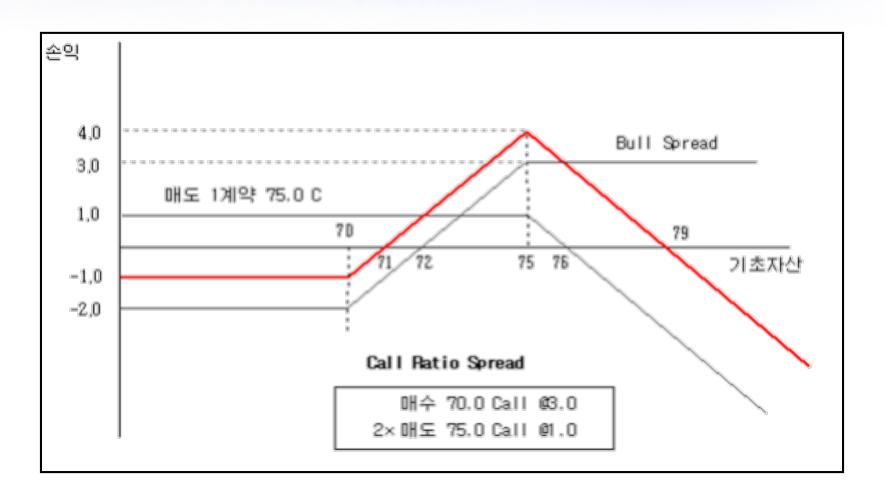
Selling a European call and put with the same expiration date and different strike prices



### Ratio Backspread Using Call



### Ratio Vertical Spread using Call



### Other Payoff Patterns

- When the strike prices are close together, a butterfly spread provides a payoff consisting of a small "spike"
- If options with all strike prices were available, any payoff pattern could (at least approximately) be created by combining the spikes obtained from different butterfly spreads

### Homework ch.12

- 1. Problem 12.8
- 2. Problem 12.11
- 3. Problem 12.21

A trader sells a strangle by selling a call option with a strike price of \$50 for \$3 and selling a put option with a strike price of \$40 for \$4. For what range of prices of the underlying asset does the trader make a profit?

- 4. Problem 12.24 (8 ed. 22)
- 5. Problem 12.26 (8 ed. 24)
- 6. Short 70.0 Put @1.0 + Long 75.0 Put @3.0
- 7. Butterfly

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