

European Put Options.

Usually, a right but not an obligation to SELL an underlying @ the strike price!

At time 0: The writer and the buyer of the put agree on:

- the underlying asset: $S(t)$, $t \geq 0$;
- the exercised date T ;
- the strike/exercise price K

The put premium $V_p(0)$ is paid by the put's buyer to the put's writer.

At time T :

- The put's owner has a right but not an obligation to sell one unit.
- The put's writer is obligated to do what the put's owner decides.

The put owner's optimal behavior is:

IF $S(T) < K$, then exercise.

PAYOUT:
 $K - S(T)$

IF $S(T) \geq K$, then do not exercise.

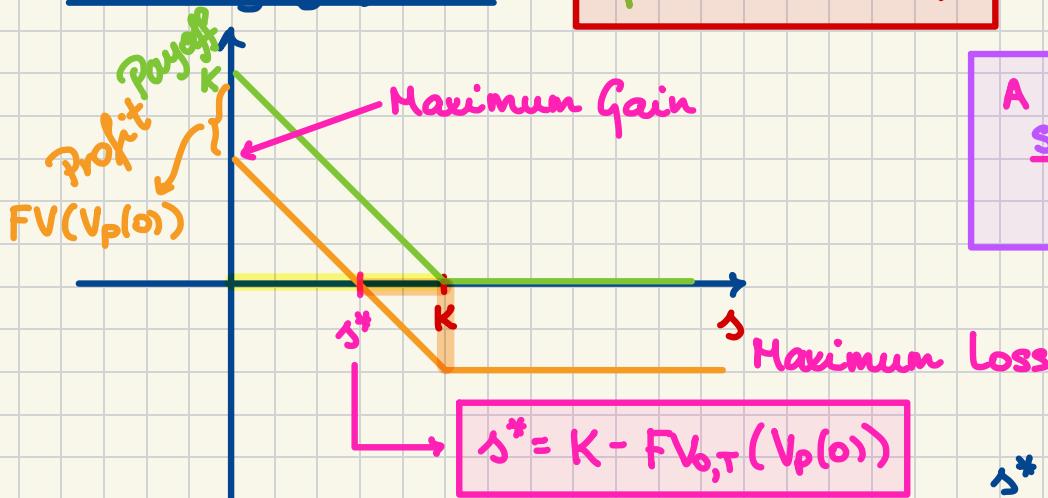
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The payoff:

$$V_p(T) = \max(K - S(T), 0) = (K - S(T))_+$$

The payoff f'ction:

$$v_p(s) = (K - s)_+$$

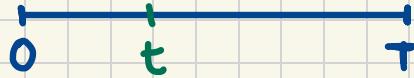


A LONG PUT IS A SHORT Position
w.r.t. the underlying.

$$s^* + FV_0,T(V_p(0)) = K$$

Moneyness.

Consider an option written @ time 0 w/ an exercise date T .



Imagine the **cashflow** that would happen if the option were exercised @ time t .

e.g.,
call $\frac{S(t) - K}{K - S(t)}$
put $\frac{K - S(t)}{K - S(t)}$

If the **cashflow** is $\begin{cases} > 0, \text{ the option is in-the-money} \\ = 0, \text{ the option is @ the money} \\ < 0, \text{ the option is out of the money} \end{cases}$

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Problem Set #6

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Problem 6.1. The initial price of the market index is \$900. After 3 months the market index is priced at \$915. The nominal rate of interest convertible monthly is 4.8%. The premium on the put, with a strike price of \$930, is \$8.00. What is the profit at expiration for a long put?

- :(a) \$15.00 loss
 (b) \$6.90 loss
 (c) \$6.90 gain ✓
 (d) \$15.00 gain
 (e) None of the above.

DISTRACTION! $i^{(12)}$

$$\Rightarrow \text{effective monthly} \\ j = \frac{i^{(12)}}{12} = 0.004$$

→:

$$FV_{0,T}(V_p(0)) = 8 \cdot (1.004)^3$$

$$\text{Payoff} = (K - S(T))_+ = (930 - 915)_+ = 15$$

$$\text{Profit} = 15 - 8(1.004)^3 = 6.90 \quad \square$$

Problem 6.2. Sample FM(DM) #12

Consider a European put option on a stock index without dividends, with 6 months to expiration, and a strike price of 1,000. Suppose that the nominal annual risk-free rate is 4% convertible semiannually, and that the put costs 74.20 now. What price must the index be in 6 months so that being long the put would produce the same profit as being short the put?

- i.r. A. 922.83
 - B. 924.32
 - C. 1,000.00
 - D. 1,075.68
 - E. 1,077.17
- PAYOFF**
- CALL**
- CALL+i.s.**

We're really
looking for the
break-even price.

effective per
half-year is

$$j = \frac{0.04}{2} = 0.02$$

$$J^* = K - FV_{0,T} (V_p(0))$$

$$= 1000 - 74.20(1.02) = \underline{924.32}$$



Problem 6.3. Farmer Shaun is producing sweet potatoes. He intends to harvest 10,000—cartons' worth in six months. His total costs are \$12.00 per carton.

He wishes to hedge using European put options. There are two puts on sweet potatoes with the exercise date in six months available: one with the strike price of \$13 per carton and another with the strike price of \$15 per carton. Their premiums are \$0.15 and \$0.18, respectively.

Assume that the prevailing risk-free interest rate is 4% effective for the half-year period.

At harvest time, in six months, it turns out that the sweet-potato spot price equals \$14. What would Farmer Shaun's profit be if he had decided to hedge using the \$13-strike put versus his profit if he had decided to use the \$15-strike put to hedge?

focus on the payoff w/out production costs.

unhedged : $S(T)$

hedge : $(K - S(T))_+$

total hedged :

$$S(T) + (K - S(T))_+ = \begin{cases} K & \text{if } K > S(T) \\ S(T) & \text{if } K \leq S(T) \end{cases}$$

$$= \max(S(T), K)$$

FLOOR = long underlying + long put

