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## Homework

6.3.

$$S(0) = 54$$

$$T = 1$$

$$K_1 = 40$$

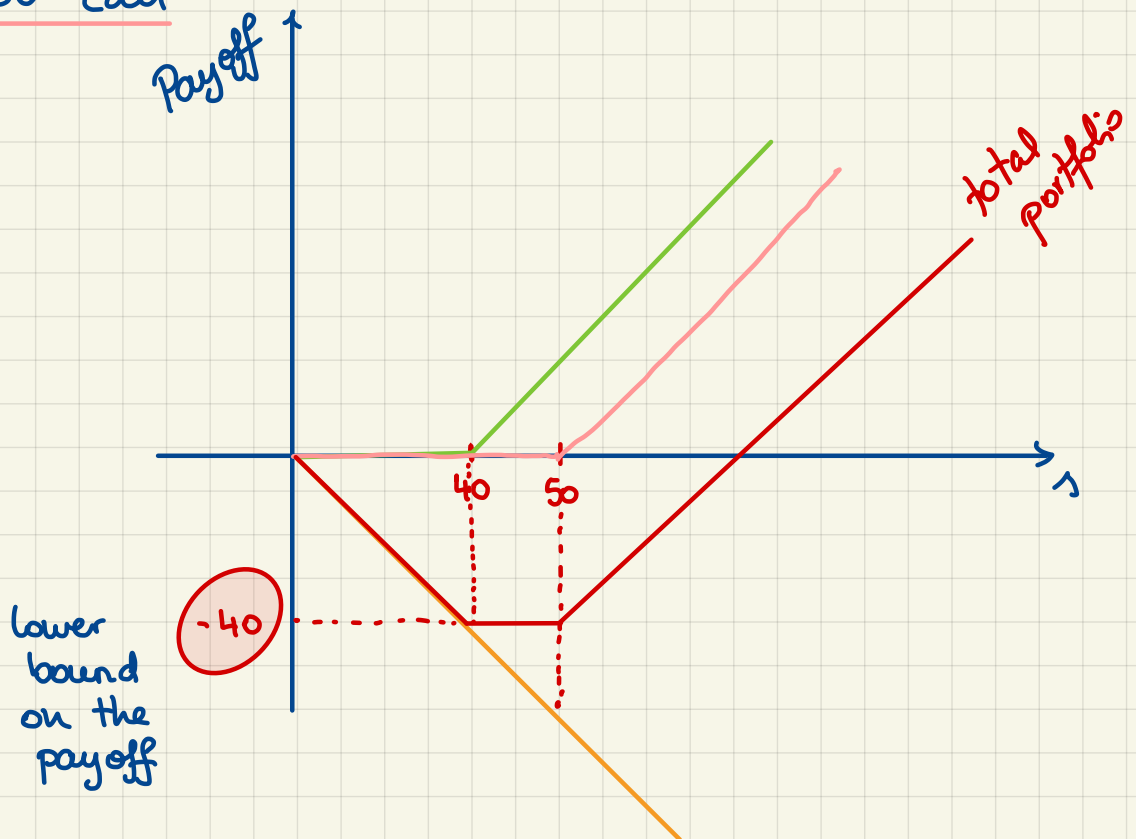
$$V_c(0, K_1 = 40) = 4$$

$$K_2 = 50$$

$$V_c(0, K_2 = 50) = 2$$

$$r = 0.10$$

- short stock
- long 40 call
- long 50 call



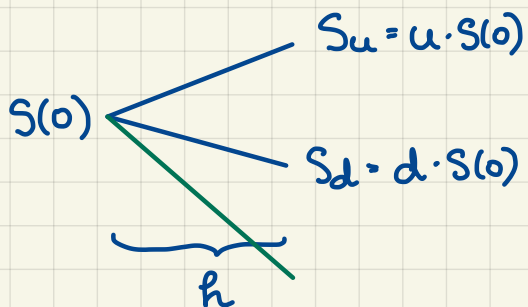
$$\text{Initial Cost: } -54 + 4 + 2 = -48$$

$$FV_{0,1}(\text{Init. Cost}) = -48e^{0.10}$$

$$\text{Lower bd on the profit: } -40 - (-48e^{0.10}) = \dots$$

6.9.

$$\underline{e^{rh} \leq d < u}$$



$$S_u - S(0)e^{rh} = S(0)(u - e^{rh}) > 0$$

$$S_d - S(0)e^{rh} = S(0)(d - e^{rh}) \geq 0$$

Arbitrage  
Portfolio!

- borrow  $S(0)$
- buy one share of stock

Verify that this is an arbitrage portfolio.

Initial Cost:  $-S(0) + S(0) = 0$

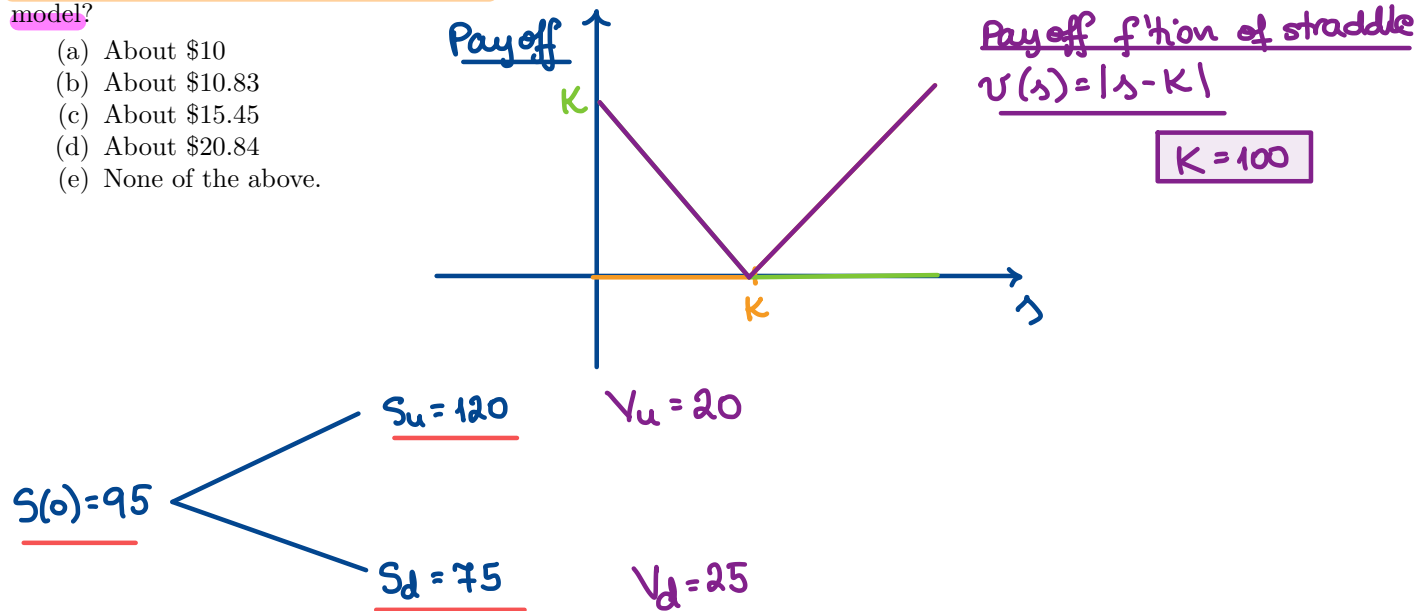
Payoff:  $V(T) = -S(0)e^{rh} + S(T)$

**Problem 6.5.** Consider a non-dividend paying stock whose current price is \$95 per share. You model the evolution of this stock price over the following year using a one-period binomial tree under the assumption that the stock price can be either \$120, or \$75 in one year.

The continuously compounded risk-free interest rate is 0.06. ✓

A **straddle** consists of a long call and a long otherwise identical put. Consider a \$100-strike, one-year European **straddle** on the above stock. What is the straddle's price consistent with the above stock-price model?

- (a) About \$10
- (b) About \$10.83
- (c) About \$15.45
- (d) About \$20.84
- (e) None of the above.



$$\Delta = \frac{V_u - V_d}{S_u - S_d} = \frac{20 - 25}{120 - 75} = -\frac{5}{45} = -\frac{1}{9}$$

$$B = e^{-r_h} \frac{u \cdot V_d - d \cdot V_u}{u - d} = e^{-0.06(1)} \cdot \frac{\frac{120}{95} \cdot 25 - \frac{75}{95} \cdot 20}{\frac{120}{95} - \frac{75}{95}}$$

$$= e^{-0.06} \frac{120 \cdot 25 - 75 \cdot 20}{45} = 31.39$$

$$V(0) = \Delta \cdot S(0) + B = -\frac{1}{9} \cdot 95 + 31.39 = 20.83 \quad \checkmark$$

□

Start w/  $V(o) = \Delta \cdot S(o) + B$

$$V(o) = \frac{V_u - V_d}{S_u - S_d} \cdot S(o) + e^{-r_h} \frac{u \cdot V_d - d \cdot V_u}{u - d}$$

$\therefore$  algebra

$$V(o) = e^{-r_h} \left[ V_u \cdot \frac{e^{r_h} - d}{u - d} + V_d \cdot \frac{u - e^{r_h}}{u - d} \right] \leftarrow$$

Both positive! Due to the no-arbitrage condition  $\therefore$   
Add up to 1!

We choose to interpret these two quantities as probabilities!

We define the risk-neutral probability of the stock price going up in a single period as:

$$p^* := \frac{e^{r_h} - d}{u - d}$$

$\Rightarrow$  The risk-neutral pricing formula

$$V(o) = e^{-r^T} \left[ V_u \cdot p^* + V_d (1 - p^*) \right]$$

We generalize this principle:

$$V(o) = e^{-r^T} \cdot \mathbb{E}^* [V(T)]$$

**6.5.** w/ this approach:

$$p^* = \frac{e^{r_h} - d}{u - d} = \frac{S(o)e^{r_h} - S_d}{S_u - S_d} = \frac{95e^{0.06} - 75}{120 - 75} = \underline{0.577}$$

$$V(o) = e^{-0.06} (20(0.575) + 25(1 - 0.575)) = \underline{20.84} \checkmark \square$$