Long Put

Because you think the price of an asset is going down.

The payoff graph of a long put position is below:



Let's re-run the three scenarios described in the previous section, this time comparing the purchase of the JAG June 30th 90 strike put for \$5, against short selling one JAG token. Reiterating, the scenarios are:

- 1. The price of JAG rises to \$130
- 2. The price of JAG remains at \$100
- 3. The price of JAG falls to \$70

Scenario 1:

- If Alice had short sold one JAG for \$100, she'd lose \$30 (-30%).
- If she had bought the put, she would lose the \$5 premium as the asset price is greater than the strike price (-100%).

Scenario 2:

- If Alice had short sold one JAG for \$100, she would remain flat.
- If she had bought the put, she would lose the \$5 premium paid for the put (-100%).

Scenario 3:

- If Alice had short sold one JAG for \$100, she'd make \$30 (+30%)
- If she had bought the put, she could exercise the put to sell JAG at \$90 and buy it back for \$70. After factoring in the put premium, this is a profit of \$15 (+300%).

Why trade it? You think the stock is going down within a certain time frame.

Optimal conditions? Cheap volatility, bearish asset.

Example: Buy 10x September 100 Put for \$5.

Cost: The premium you pay, in this example $10 \times $5 = 50 .

Theoretical Max Profit: If the asset goes to zero, you make the difference between the strike and zero, minus the premium you paid, $(100 - \$5) \times 10 = \950 .

Theoretical Max Loss: The price you paid for the put, in this example \$50.

Breakeven at expiration: The strike minus the price you paid for the put (100 - \$5 = \$95).