

CFRM 405: Mathematical Methods for Quantitative Finance

L3: Derivative Securities

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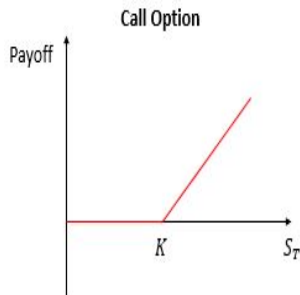
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 - ▶ Out of the money (OTM) : $S(t) > K$
- ▶ Definition also applies at the expiration date T

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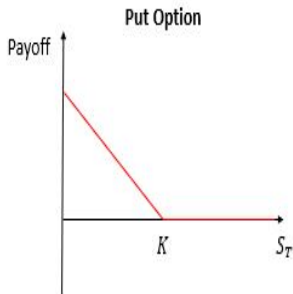
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Call	OTM	ATM	ITM
Put	ITM	ATM	OTM

Payoff at Maturity (not profit, long position)

$$C(T) = \begin{cases} S(T) - K & \text{if } S(T) > K \\ 0 & \text{if } S(T) \leq K \end{cases}$$



$$P(T) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } S(T) \geq K \\ K - S(T) & \text{if } S(T) < K \end{cases}$$



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Arbitrage opportunity - An investment opportunity guaranteed to earn money without any risk involved

- ▶ They exist in the market but many have little practical value
- ▶ Trading costs and constant moves of the market tend to eliminate arbitrage opportunities

In an arbitrage-free market, one can make conclusions on relationships between the prices of various securities based on **The Law of One Price**

Arbitrage-free pricing

Theorem (The Law of One Price)

If two portfolios are guaranteed to have the same value at a future time $\tau > t$ regardless of the state of the market at time τ , then they must have the same value at time t . If portfolio A is more valuable than portfolio B at a future time τ regardless of the state of the market at time τ , then it is also more valuable at time $t < \tau$.

Lemma

If the value $V(T)$ of a portfolio at time T in the future is independent on the state of the market at T , then

$$V(t) = V(T)e^{-r(T-t)}$$

where $t < T$ and r is the constant risk-free rate (compounded continuously)

Example

How much are European options worth if the value of the underlying asset is 0?

- ▶ If $S(t) = 0$, then $S(\tau) \not\geq 0$ for $\tau > t$. In particular $S(T) = 0$
- ▶ Otherwise, buy asset at t for 0 dollars and sell as soon as asset is worth something. (Arbitrage)

Thus

$$C(T) = 0$$

$$P(T) = K \text{ (the premium)}$$

By the Lemma

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Let $C(t)$ and $P(t)$ be the price of the European call and put option at time t with maturity T and strike K ,

Put-Call parity On a non-dividend paying asset with spot price $S(t)$

$$P(t) + S(t) - C(t) = Ke^{-r(T-t)}$$

And on an asset that pays dividends continuously at rate q with spot price $S(t)$

$$P(t) + S(t)e^{-q(T-t)} - C(t) = Ke^{-r(T-t)}$$

Proof- non dividends

Consider a portfolio with

- ▶ long 1 put option
- ▶ long 1 unit of the asset
- ▶ short 1 call option

Then the value of the portfolio at time t (if liquidating portfolio) is

$$V_{port}(t) = P(t) + S(t) - C(t)$$

At maturity T

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	$P(T)$	$C(T)$	$V_{port}(T)$
$S(T) < K$	$K - S(T)$	0	$K - S(T) + S(T) - 0 = K$
$S(T) \geq K$	0	$S(T) - K$	$0 + S(T) - (S(T) - K) = K$

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Thus at maturity T

$$V_{port}(T) = K$$

Now using the Lemma

$$V_{port}(t) = Ke^{-r(T-t)}$$

Therefore the put-call parity formula says that

$$P(t) + S(t) - C(t) = Ke^{-r(T-t)}$$

Example

Consider a portfolio with the following positions:

- ▶ long one call option with strike $K_1 = 45$ for \$4
- ▶ long one call option with strike $K_2 = 55$ for \$9
- ▶ short two call options with strike $K_3 = 50$ for \$6

1) Draw the payoff diagram at maturity of the portfolio, i.e., plot the graph of the value of the portfolio at maturity $V(T)$ as a function of $S(T)$

2) What is the profit and loss at maturity?

2) When will the portfolio be profitable?

All options are on the same asset with the same maturity T and interest rates are zero

Solution

$$V(T) = C_1(T) + C_2(T) - 2C_3(T)$$

	$S(T) \leq 45$	$45 < S(T) \leq 50$	$50 < S(T) \leq 55$	$S(T) > 55$
$C_1(T)$	0	$S(T) - 45$	$S(T) - 45$	$S(T) - 45$
$C_2(T)$	0	0	0	$S(T) - 55$
$C_3(T)$	0	0	$S(T) - 50$	$S(T) - 50$
$V(T)$	0	$S(T) - 45$	$55 - S(T)$	0

Cost to set up portfolio is

$$\text{Cost}(T) = \$4 + \$9 - \$12 = \$1 \text{ (zero interest rate)}$$

The profit and loss is given by

$$\text{P\&L} = V(T) - \text{Cost}(T) = V(T) - 1$$

	$S(T) \leq 45$	$45 < S(T) \leq 50$	$50 < S(T) \leq 55$	$S(T) > 55$
P&L(T)	-1	$S(T) - 46$	$54 - S(T)$	-1

Therefore, portfolio is profitable when $46 < S(T) < 54$

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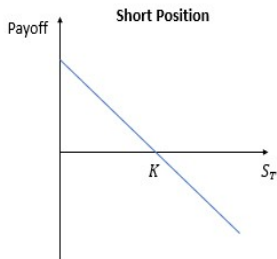
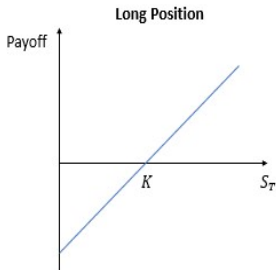
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- ▶ A **Forward Contract** is an agreement between two parties to buy or sell the underlying asset at a specified future time T for a specified price K (delivery price).
- ▶ **Note:** K is **not** the price of the contract
- ▶ Take the long position \rightarrow to buy the asset
- ▶ Take the short position \rightarrow to sell the asset



Forward price

The **forward price** F is the market price that would be agreed today for delivery of the asset at a specified maturity date

It equals K at the start, but changes as time goes on

The forward price F of a forward contract with maturity T and struck at time 0

- ▶ Non-dividend-paying underlying asset with spot price $S(0)$

$$F = S(0)e^{rT}$$

- ▶ Asset pays dividend continuously at the rate q with spot price $S(0)$

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Value of Forward contract

The value of a forward contract with maturity T and struck at time $t > 0$ with delivery price K

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- ▶ Has a similar structure as forward contract but needs delivery of asset for the futures price
- ▶ i.e., forward contracts can be settled in cash without the delivery of a physical asset
- ▶ Forward price and Futures price are the same when the risk-free interest rate is constant and the same for all maturities.
- ▶ In reality, interest rates vary unpredictably, so forward and futures prices will vary

Futures	Forwards
Traded on exchange	Over-the-counter
Range of delivery dates	Specified delivery date
Settled in a margin account daily	Settled in cash at maturity

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