4. Options Markets

4.3. Trading Strategies

Three Types

- 1. Asset and Option
- 2. Spread: using calls or puts
- 3. Combination: using calls and puts

Data

strike	call	put
90	24.81	3.07
S = 100	18.84	5.80
110	13.97	9.62

1. Covered Call

buy asset write call

1. Protective Put

buy asset buy put

2. Bull Spread Using Calls

buy in-the-money call write out-of-the-money call

2. Bull Spread Using Puts

buy out-of-the-money put write in-the-money put

2. Bear Spread Using Calls

buy out-of-the-money call write in-the-money call

2. Bear Spread Using Puts

buy in-the-money put write out-of-the-money put

2. Butterfly Spread Using Calls

buy 1 in-the-money call write 2 at-the-money calls buy 1 out-of-the-money call

2. Butterfly Spread Using Puts

buy 1 in-the-money put write 2 at-the-money puts buy 1 out-of-the-money put

2. Calendar Spread Using Calls

buy call with T_2 write call with $T_1 < T_2$

2. Calendar Spread Using Puts

buy put with T_2 write put with $T_1 < T_2$

3. Collar

buy asset write out-of-the-money call buy out-of-the-money put

3. Synthetic Forward

buy out-of-the-money call write in-the-money put where c=p

3. Straddle

buy at-the-money call buy at-the-money put

3. Strangle

buy out-of-the-money call buy out-of-the-money put

3. Strip

buy 1 at-the-money call buy 2 at-the-money puts

3. Strap

buy 2 at-the-money calls buy 1 at-the-money put

Homework

- 1. (Hull 10.10) Suppose that put options on a stock with strike prices \$30 and \$35 cost \$4 and \$7 respectively. How can the options be used to create (a) a bull spread?
- (b) a bear spread?

Construct a table that shows the profit and payoff for both spreads.

- 2. (Hull 10.12) A call with a strike price of \$60 costs \$6. A put with the same strike price and expiration date costs \$4. Construct a table that shows the profit from a straddle. For what range of stock prices would the straddle lead to a loss?
- 3. (Hull 10.19) Three put options on a stock have the same expiration date and strike prices of \$55, \$60, and \$65. The market prices are \$3, \$5, and \$8 respectively. Explain how a butterfly spread can be created. Construct a table showing the profit from the strategy. For what range of stock prices would the butterfly spread lead to a loss?