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Agenda

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Planning
 - TradingView
 - Defining Intraday Ranges
- 3. Executing
 - TWS
 - Selecting an Options Strategy
 - Order Placement
- 4. Questions & Answers





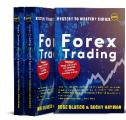
Introduction

Traddictiv Pte. Ltd.

is a trading technology company that provides intelligent tools for traders, investors and hedgers. They also offer education for everyone from the hobbyist to the professional, always along with their patented and easy-to-use trading technology.

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Before, During and After

- Before
 - Planning
 - Executing
- During
 - Trade Management
- After
 - Logging
 - Review

In this session we will focus on Planning & Executing





2 Steps

- Planning trades is a critical aspect of trading, tailored to suit individual backgrounds and interests. It involves thorough analysis, risk assessment, and clear entry and exit points. By adopting a wellstructured approach, traders can maintain discipline and make informed decisions aligned with their financial goals
- Executing trades with the right tools is equally crucial. Modern
 platforms offer real-time data and advanced analysis, empowering
 traders with valuable insights. Seamless order execution and risk
 management features ensure precision and capital preservation. By
 leveraging these tools, traders can stay competitive, make wellinformed decisions, and achieve their desired outcomes



Planning

- Suit individual backgrounds and interests:
 - Active, Passive, anywhere in between
 - Numerous assets with different characteristics
 - Use of the timeframes
- Thorough analysis, risk assessment, and clear entry and exit points:
 - Several ways on how to trade
 - Vast amount of options strategies
 - Different schools of thought to define entries and exits
- Well-structured approach:
 - Systematic/Mechanical
 - Controlling trading emotions



Planning

Interest Assumption:

Being somehow active using leveraged assets and willing to avoid any PDT* restrictions with a non-directional approach to options trading

Market Selected:

Options on E-mini S&P 500 Futures**
or Options on Micro E-Mini S&P 500 Stock Price Index Futures

Tools for Planning:

TradingView Charts connected to IBKR

^{**} https://contract.ibkr.info/v3.10/index.php?action=Details&site=GEN&conid=637533641



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Why Options on ES Futures

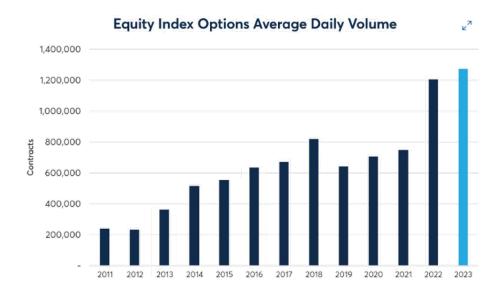
Equity Index options offer more choices, more liquidity than ever

Market participants are increasingly turning to the expanded product choice and liquidity that CME Group's Equity Index options suite offers with Q2 2023 ADV of 1.24M contracts, up 4% vs. Q2 2022.

- E-mini S&P 500 (ES) options ADV reached 1.14M contracts, up 4% vs. Q2 2022.
- During Asian and European trading hours, CME Group is the leading venue for risk transfer for S&P 500 options, with Q2 ADV reaching over 170K contracts.

Participation in ES options blocks continues to grow, allowing participants to execute large trades with more efficiency.

- Nearly 35M ES options blocks have traded to date, with Q2 ADV at a record 87K contracts.
- E-mini Nasdaq-100 options blocks traded over 39K contracts since their January 2022 launch.



Source: www.cmegroup.com/newsletters/options-newsletter/q3-2023-options-update.html



Non-Directional Approach

Employing strategies that focus on factors such as volatility, time decay, or the range within which the underlying asset is expected to move (instead of betting on whether an asset's price will go up or down).

Typical Options Strategies:

Calendar Spread/Double Diagonal Spread Bull Put Spread/Bear Call Spread

Butterfly Iron Condor/Butterfly

Long Straddle/Strangle Short Straddle/Strangle

(these are popular strategies commonly used by options traders)

In this session we will focus on Iron Condors



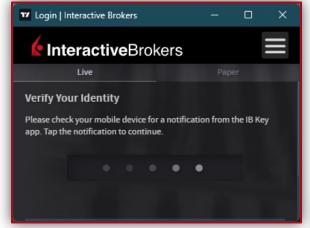
Charts

We will use TradingView connected to IBKR

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TradingView
Trading Panel

Trading Panel

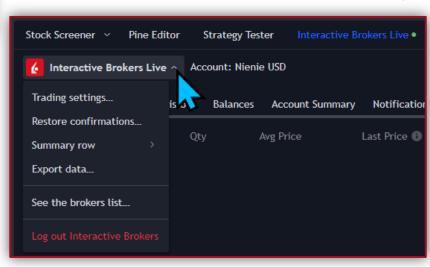
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2. Select Interactive Brokers



The Trading Panel has now changed to Interactive Brokers Live

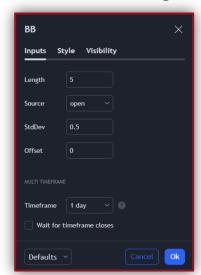




Defining the Intraday Range

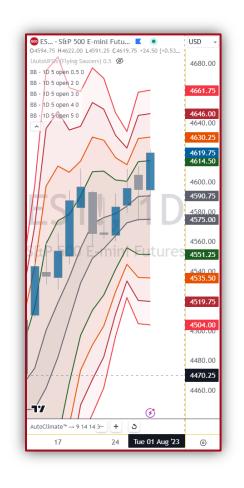
We will define the trading range by using 5 Bollinger Bands® combined in a specific manner creating 9 regions we will use to define the intraday range

Inner Bollinger Bands® Settings



Outer Bollinger Bands® Settings:

- 2 SDev
- 3 SDev
- 4 SDev
- 5 SDev







Steps to Define the Range

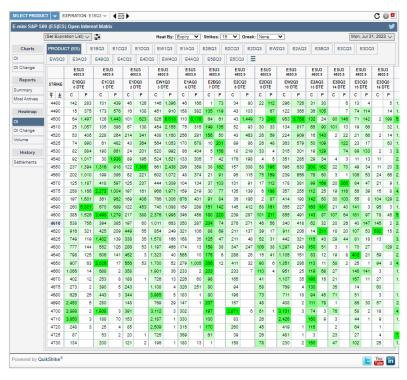
- 1. Identify the region in which the E-mini S&P 500 Futures is trading at
- 2. Pick 2 lines above and 2 lines below to define the expected intraday range for that day
- 3. Optionally, use Support or Resistance levels above and below such lines





Open Interest & Volatility

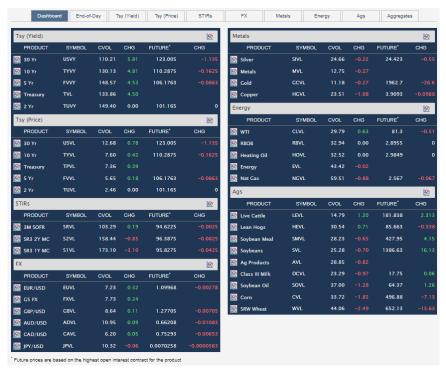
Open Interest Heat Map



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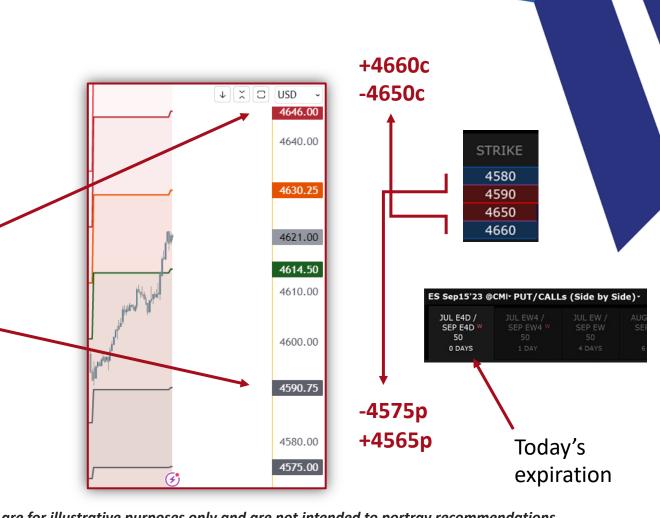
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www.cmegroup.com/education/articles-and-reports/introduction-to-the-cmegroup-volatility-index-cvol.html & www.cmegroup.com/market-data/cmegroup-benchmark-administration/cme-group-volatility-indexes.html



Defining the Options Play

- An Iron Condor is made of Selling a Bear Call Spread and Selling a Bull Put Spread as a combination
- The application implies:
 - Selling the Bear Call Spread above 4646.00
 - Selling the Bull Put Spread below 4590.75
- Using Short-Dated Options that expire on the same day



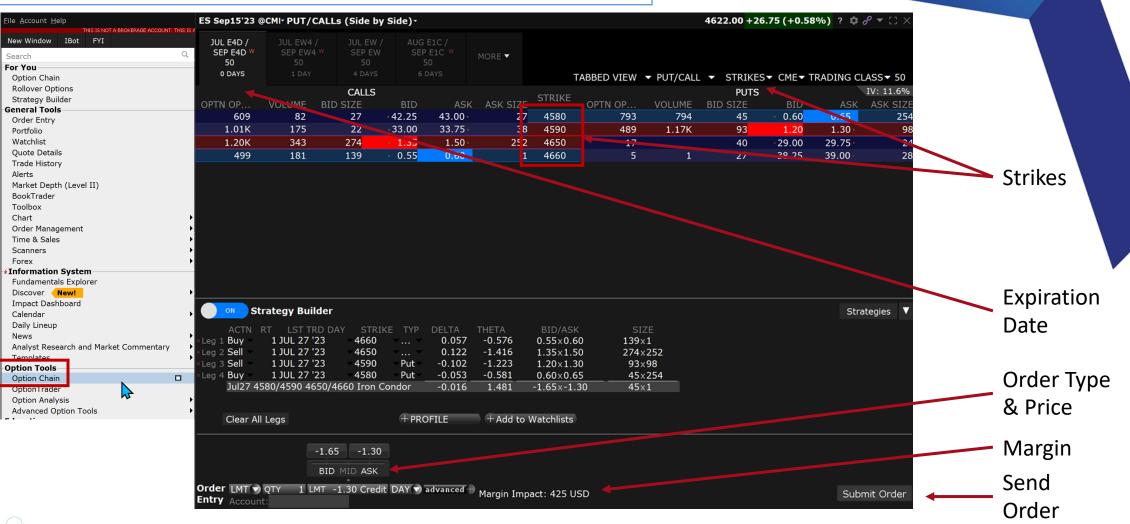


Executing

- Order execution and risk management features:
 - IBKR TWS Platform
 - TWS Strategy Builder built-in the Options Chain
 - Assess risk and margin before Transmitting Orders
 - Entry and Exit Orders residing in IBKR servers



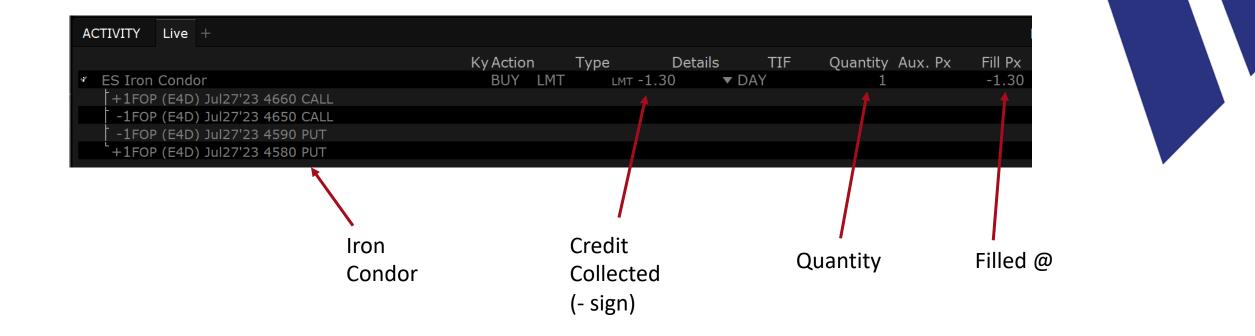
Order Placement





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Order Filled





Live

- Let's go over the process with real-time data
- Let's see what the market has ready for us today
- Let's plan and execute an Iron Condor using Options on E-mini S&P 500 Futures
- Prepare your questions and ask while building the trade
- Additional Q&A will be after



Your turn

Any questions?

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