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Options Tactics - Part 3/3 Optimal Exits and Efficient Management



Agenda

- 1. Introductions
- 2. The 3-Part Series
- 3. Set-And-Forget vs. Exiting Early
- 4. Evolving Strategies into other Strategies
- 5. Hedging
- 6. Real-Time Examples & Applications
- 7. Executing with TWS
- 8. Bonus
- 9. The Certificate of Attendance
- 10. Q&A





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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- 1. Simplifying Entries & Strike Selection for Directional Traders
- 2. Recurring Non-Directional Plays for Active Traders
- 3. Optimal Exits and Efficient Management

Tools (replaceable based on trader's preferences):

- Options: We will use Options on the S&P 500 Index, knowing that the techniques learned are applicable to other assets as well
- TradingView for Charts & TWS for Options Data and Execution
- All technical tools used in Webinar #1 and #2



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Let's begin!



Entries vs. Exits

- A typical conversation between new traders and experienced traders
- New traders tend to put more emphasis in entries
- Experienced traders have likely realized that exits are just as important if not more than entries
- Given the liquidity levels of Options on key Indices such as the S&P 500 Index, we can exit trades any time when our rules suggest to do so



Directional Exit Strategies

With directional trades, the ideal outcome is to reach the final target set before executing such trade, but that is not always possible... There are times when a market will:

- Reach our target quickly
- Reach our target slowly
- Not reach our target and change its Climate

In such cases, our trade could benefit from some Trade Management...

We will focus first on closing actions. We will then focus on strategy evolutions... We will finally focus on hedging.



Closing Directional Trades

- Target reached (quickly)
 - Enjoy!
 - Full profit
- Target reached (slowly)
 - Check Climate Sustainability Stats and consider closing the trade if the current climate values surpass the statistical duration of the selected market's Climate
 - Lesser profit
- Change of Climate (target likely to be missed)
 - Close the trade for the smallest loss possible
 - Staying in the trade would likely produce a Full loss



Evolving Directional Trades

Target reached (quickly)

Evolutions are optional

Target reached (slowly)

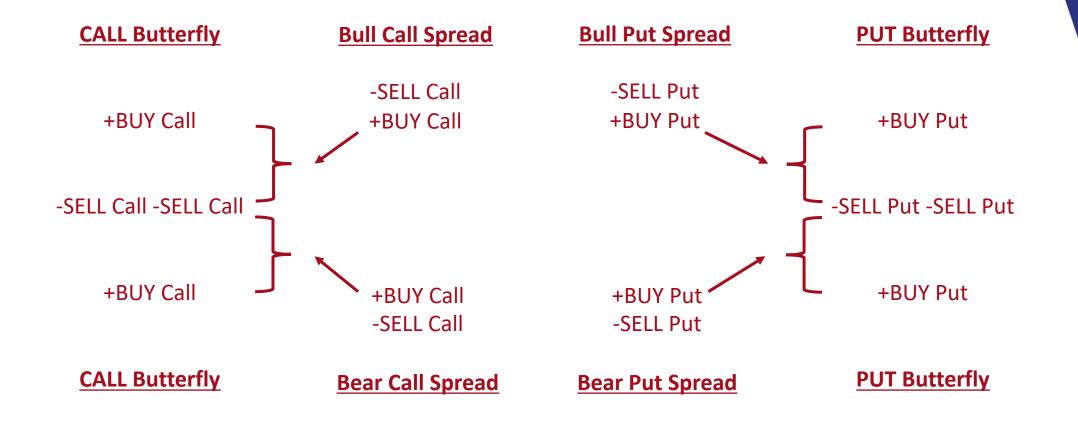
- Check Climate Sustainability Stats and consider evolving the trade if the current climate values surpass the statistical duration of the selected market's Climate
- Evolutions would reduce the risk and lock in a smaller profit
- A powerful action could be to butterfly a vertical spread

Change of Climate (target likely to be missed)

- Evolutions could reduce the risk and give the trade a second chance to profit within a smaller price region close to the target
- A powerful action could be to butterfly a vertical spread



Butterflying a Spread





Hedging Directional Trades

- Target reached (quickly)
 - Hedging is optional
- Target reached (slowly)
 - Check Climate Sustainability Stats and consider hedging the trade if the current climate values surpass the statistical duration of the selected market's Climate
 - Potential for improved profit in exchange for added risk
- Change of Climate (target likely to be missed)
 - Hedging could give the trade a second chance to profit as long as a large move takes place in either direction in exchange for added risk



Hedging a Directional Spread

Bull Call Spread



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-SELL Call -SELL Put
+BUY Call +BUY Put
+BUY micro Put(s)
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Bear Call Spread Bear Put Spread



Non-Directional Exit Strategies

With non-directional trades, the ideal outcome is to reach the expiration date while our selected market traded within a predefined price range where our options strikes remained OTM at all times, and therefore the options expired worthless, but that is not always possible... There are times when a market will:

- Challenge the predefined price range
- Move in such a way where the options premiums will decrease significantly prior to reaching the expiration date/time

In such cases, our trade could benefit from some Trade Management...

We will focus first on closing actions. We will then focus on strategy evolutions... We will finally focus on hedging.



Closing Non-Directional Trades

Price range respected

- Enjoy!
- Full profit

Price range challenged

- Reaching max. loss has a higher chance
- Closing the trade would produce a lesser profit or a smaller loss

Significant premium reduction

- A decent profit is available now; a greater profit could be available, but it would require to continue assuming the original risk in exchange for a limited amount of extra profit
- Closing the trade would remove the risk and lock in a smaller profit



Evolving Non-Directional Trades

Price range respected

Nothing to evolve

Price range challenged

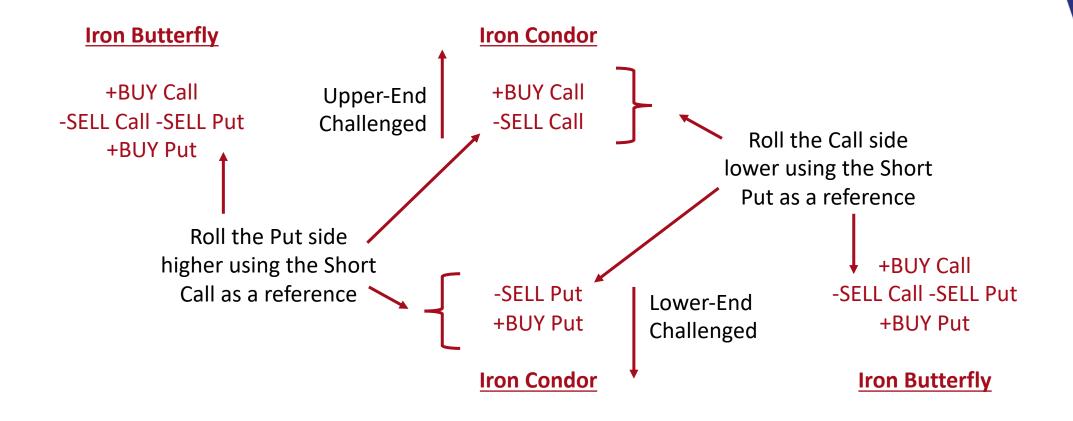
- Reaching max. loss has a higher chance
- Evolutions would reduce the risk while give the trade a second chance for profitability within a smaller price range
- A powerful action could be to convert the Iron Condor into an Iron Butterfly

Significant premium reduction

- Nothing to evolve



Butterflying a Condor





Hedging Non-Directional Trades

Price range respected

Nothing to be hedged

Price range challenged

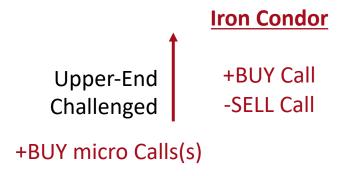
- Reaching max. loss has a higher chance
- Hedging would reduce some of the potential for profit left, but would also reduce the risk and allow for a small profit if a very large move took place in the challenging direction

Significant premium reduction

- Hedging would be cheap
- Hedging would reduce some of the potential for profit left, but would also reduce the risk and allow for an additional small profit if a very large move took place in either direction



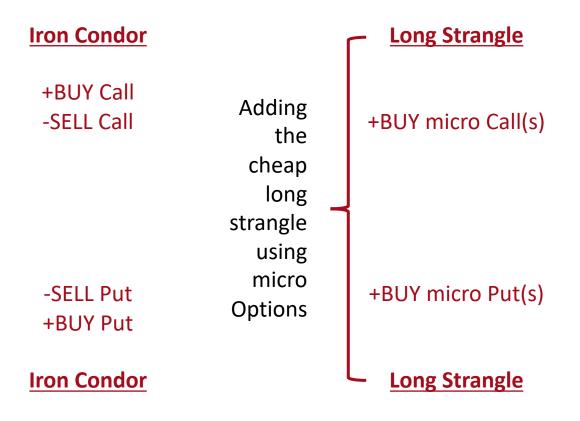
Hedging a Challenged Condor







Hedging when non-challenged





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