



Consistent Profits with Options Trading

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Who is Romain Delacretaz?





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Romain Delacretaz, Trader since 1999, Specialist on Options and Money Management. He built strategically the business for a large brokerage firm for French speaking countries in Europe, increasing dramatically their income (2004-2007).

Founder of the "Institut de la Bourse" in France, expert in charge of the clients of many brokers, his presentations are highly valued by investors and traders around the world. He has taught to more than 20000 people in his seminars, where he has been teaching some of the best strategies from the Floor.

He has been teaching the art of trading for living – focusing on risk management in New York, London, Montreal, Paris, Brussels, Geneva... and now in Rimini.

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FROM THE FLOOR TO YOU Reminder



Option made Easy?

An option is a contract to buy or sell a specific financial product.

Options work on the same principles used in the insurance world.

Investors buy options to protect their assets exactly like you would protect your

brand new car. Buyers pay an insurance policy. Sellers take the risks.

The contract is very precise and includes a specific price named strike price

(=value if the car is destroyed) and has an expiration date (=end of contract).

When an option expire, it is worthless, no more value and does not exist anymore.

An option is finally a contract to buy or sell something in the future with a price

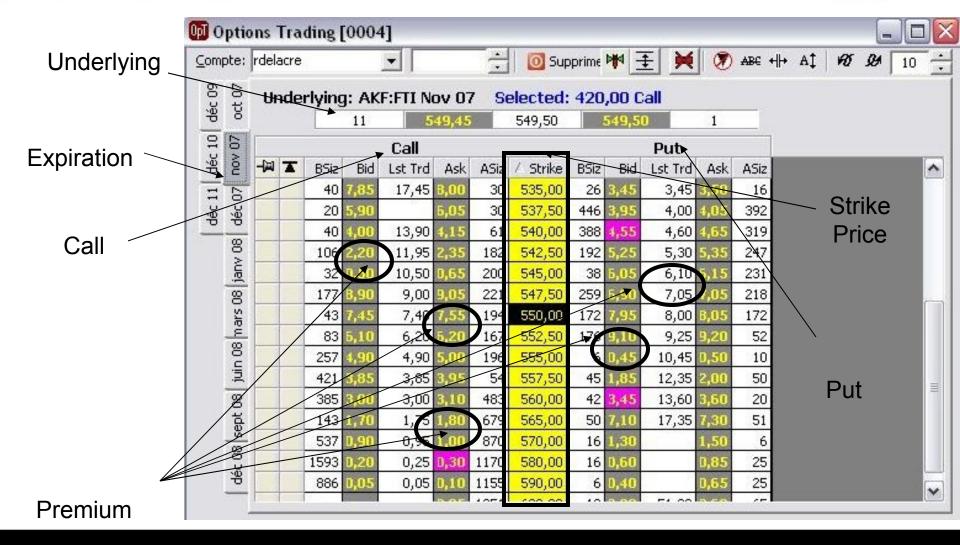
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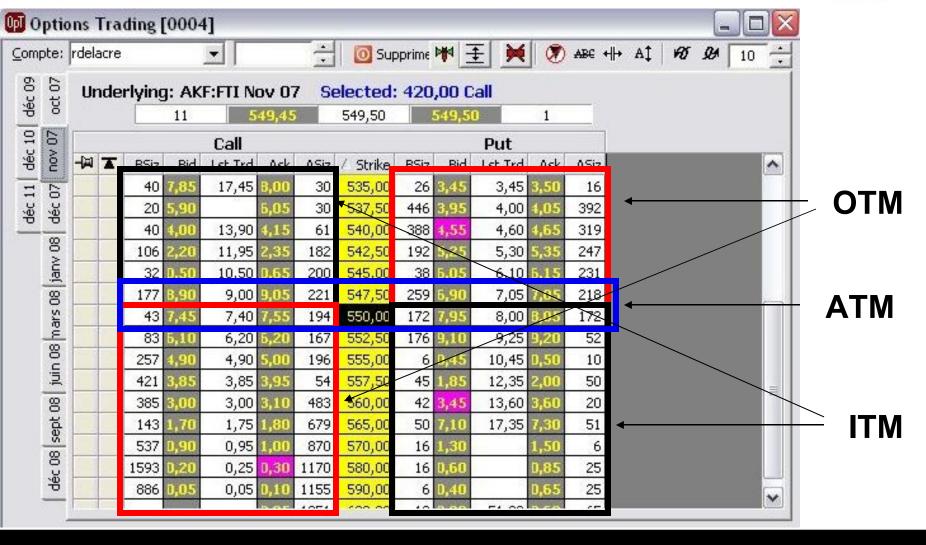






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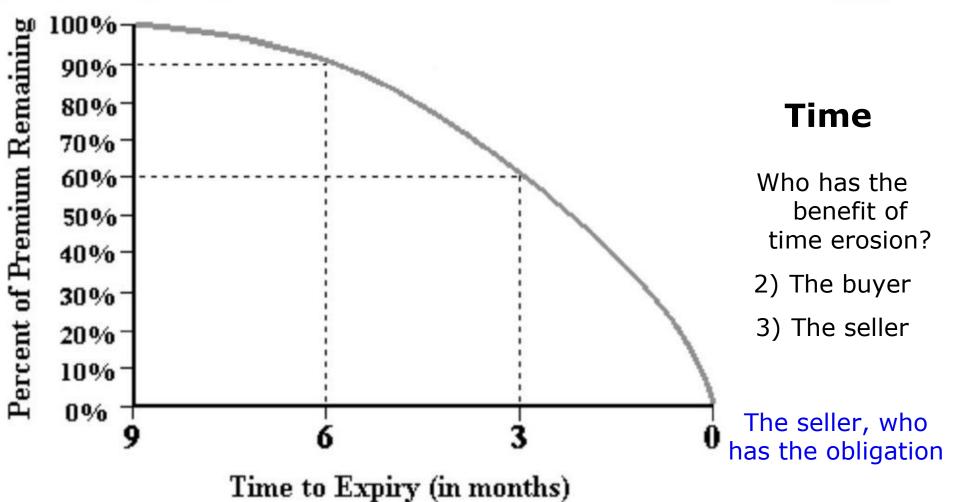
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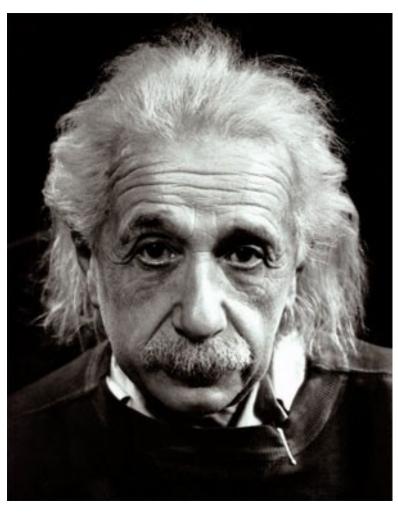








Mindset





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The Broker's advice

- Only BUY Options / Never SELL Options
- Always BUY OTM Options for a short term period
- When the market is volatile, don't play!

The Trader's work

- •WE SELL Options 90% of the time
- •WE SELL OPTIONS WHEN VOLATILITY IS HIGH / W

WHEN VOLATILITY IS LOW

- •This helps us to maximize the Volatility Effect on options
- •WE TEND TO SELL OPTION ON SHORT TERM BASIS / WE TEND TO BUY OPTION ON LONG TERM BASIS (even if we trade short term)
- •This helps us to minimize time value erosion on the buy side and maximize time value erosion on the sale side
- •We mainly focus on RISK, profits come by themselves...





Mindset

If Time is Money and there is a way to earn the Time Value, do you think we can make money?

It looks like an Insurer's job!

Why people buy Options?

To protect their assets, they pay an insurance policy.

- •WE SELL TIME TO THESE PEOPLE FOR INCOME PURPOSE (80% of Options Portfolio)
- •WE MAINLY TRADE STRATEGIES THAT PROTECT OURSELVES AND GIVE US THE BENEFIT OF SELLING TIME THROUGH SPREADS



Mindset









Mindset

We focus on where the stock will probably not go!



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Trades





Trades

short strangle

> WHAT IS THIS STRATEGY? UNDERLYING

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BIDU Strangle March08 160 360 return in 15 days 3.53% 84.6% year return exit 28/02 0.2 each option side

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Strategies









HOW DOES IT WORK?

- You decide to invest in a property
 - How do you make it profitable?
 - You rent it!
 - 200 000 €
 - 1 000 € rent per month
 - Capital paid in 200 months
 - If mortgage in 400 months







HOW DOES IT WORK?

- You decide to invest in a stock.
- How do you make it profitable?

- XYZ Method,
- Your Technical Analyze,
- Fundamental Analyzes from ABC,
- Advices from the Concierge





Covered Call



HOW DOES IT WORK?

- How do they do, those who know how?
 - They rent their shares to investors
 - In derivatives such as warrants
 - They collect rents every month
 - 10 to 25% per year plus dividends
 - Why don't you rent your stock yet?



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Covered Call

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15.35€

Selling the Call March 08 strike 18 gives 0.25 per option or 25€ for 1535€ investment

=<u>1.63%</u>
monthly return

=19.56% annual return

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+ 08 MR 9.000	6.300	6.400	
+ 08 MR 10.000	5,300	5.450	
+ 08 MR 11.000	4.350	4.450	

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+ 08 MR 10.000	5.300	5.450	5.450	10	0.00
+ 08 MR 11.000	4.350	4.450	4.450	5	54.27
+ 08 MR 12,000	3.400	3.500	3.500	0	54.00
+ 08 MR 13.000	2.500	2.600	2.600	0	51.64
+ 08 MR 14.000	1.700	1.800	1.800	0	49.67
+ 08 MR 15.000	1.050	1.150	1.150	0	48.19
+ 08 MR 16.000	0.650	0.700	0.700	149	49.67
+ 08 MR 17.000	0.300	0.400	0.400	2	47.95
+ 08 MR 18.000	0.150	0.250	0.250	0	49.90

0.150

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+ 08 MR 8.000	0.000	0.100	0.100	0	99.99
+ 08 MR 9.000	0.000	0.100	0.100	0	97.95
+ 08 MR 10.000	0.000	0.100	0.100	0	81.14
+ 08 MR 11.000	0.000	0.150	0.150	0	71.51
+ 08 MR 12.000	0.030	0.150	0.150	0	58.67
+ 08 MR 13,000	0.100	0.200	0.200	0	50.61
+ 08 MR 14.000	0.300	0.450	0.450	17	50.94
+ 08 MR 15,000	0.700	0.800	0.800	0	50.80
+ 08 MR 16,000	1.200	1.350	1.350	30	49.71
+ 08 MR 17.000	1.900	2.050	2.050	0	49.81
+ 08 MR 18,000	2.750	2.900	2.900	0	52.58
+ 08 MR 19,000	3.650	3.800	3.800	0	54.23
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Source: Montreal Exchange

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Naked Put

Have you ever dreamed of **GETTING PAID TO BUY YOUR FAVORITE STOCK?**



Naked Put DO NOT SELL NAKED PUT OPTIONS ON STOCKS THAT YOU DON'T WANT TO POTENTIALLY OWN!



Naked Put









Credit Spreads

- Professional Analyst are right 1/3 of the time with their Analyzes
- •80% of Options expire worthless
- •Do you rather prefer to be right or to make money?





Bull Put Spread

Let's take some shares of a stock: AKF



Just one possibility to have a profit

With a Bull Put Spread, we earn money: when the stock goes up, stays flat or goes down a little...



Bull Put Spread

Idea of this strategy

- We are bullish on this stock
- We will focus on finding an area on the chart where the stock should probably not go
- Depending on our analyzes, we can determinate a support zone that has very little chance to be reached
- We earn money as long as the stock stays above this support



Bull Put Spread





Bear Call Spread

Let's take some shares of a stock: AKF



Just one possibility to have a profit

With a Bear Call Spread, we earn money: when the stock goes down, stays flat or goes up a little (no margin commissions with Options)...



Bear Call Spread

Idea of this strategy

- We are bearish on this stock
- We will focus on finding an area on the chart where the stock should probably not go
- Depending on our analyzes, we can determinate a resistance zone that has very little chance to be reached
- We earn money as long as the stock stays below this resistance



Bear Call Spread

Is to define the level where the stock will probably not go before expiration



DecJan07 Fev Mar Avr Mai JuinJuil Aou Sep Oct Nov

Our analyze says that we have very little probability for the stock to go up to 550\$



Bear Call Spread

Key Points of this strategy

- Calls sold protected by buying Calls
- Low Margin Requirement
- If at expiration stock does not go above
 550, we keep the profit
- We have to choose a highly improbable scenario for this strategy because the losses can be very high compare to the profits



FROM THE FLOOR TO YOU Calendar Spread



- Like the Covered Call BUT...
- You decide to invest in a property
- You make it profitable by renting it
- We won't buy the property but the long term call option (LEAP)
- And we will sell the front month call every month in order to collect premiums
 - Let take an example on AAPL



FROM THE FLOOR TO YOU Calendar Spread



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241	106.60	107.6	0 277	102.80	-2.24	5	48.52%	1.494K	JAN 15 '10 90.0 SM		
104	98.75	99.7	5 281	C97.24			47.98%	1.181K	JAN 15 '10 100.0 SM		
332	91.20	91.9	5 223	C89.80			46.80%	1.328K	JAN 15 '10 110.0 SM		
387	84.10	84.7	5 20	84.08	+1.34	13	46.53%	3.853K	JAN 15 '10 120.0 SM		
327	77.40	78.0	0 143	76.40	+0.33	1	45.80%	5.092K	JAN 15 '10 130.0 SM		
461	71.10	71.8	5 406	69.90	+0.09	41	45.83%	2.880K	JAN 15 '10 140.0 SM		
42	65.40	65.7	0 20	65.30	+1.34	8	45.14%	4.695K	JAN 15 '10 150.0 SM		
42	59.85	60.2	0 10	58.35	-0.16	22	44.94%	3.772K	JAN 15 '10 160.0 SM		
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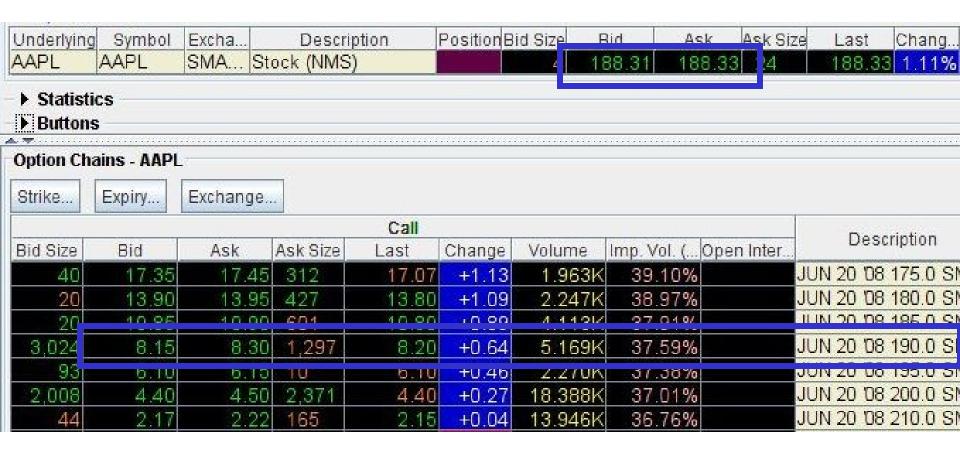


- We buy the option instead of the stock
- AAPL 188.50\$ = 18850\$ per 100 shares
- LEAP 2010 = 45.95\$ = 4595\$
- About 4 times less investment
- 20 months to expiration (January 2010)
- If AAPL is the same at expiration, we lose the premium of 45.95\$
- But we will sell the call before the time value starts to decrease too much



FROM THE FLOOR TO YOU Calendar Spread







Calendar Spread



- We bought the LEAP 45.95\$ = 4595\$
- We take immediately 8.15\$ by selling the 190 June Call
- We do the same each and every month
- How long does it take to go to the breakeven point?
- 45.95/8.15= less than 6 months !!!
- If AAPL drops down we have a protection of 8.15\$



Portfolio



Account open after the last seminar (12.04.2008) end of April. Only 30000€. Objective 100% a year. Most of the time we use 50%-60% of the money.

Open Positions (April 28	3, 2008 - May 05, 2008)							
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FSLR MAY08 290 C		-1	100	21.5900	-2,159.00	4,134909	-413.49	1,745.51
GTXI JAN09 17.5 C		10	100	4,4070	4,407.00	4.67943	4,679.43	272.43
GTXI MAY08 17.5 C		-10	100	2.0930	-2,093,00	2.006142	-2,006.14	86.86
MOS JAN09 125 C		2	100	28,9070	5,781.40	27.905951	5,581.19	-200.21
MOS MAY08 125 C		-2	100	7,1930	-1,438.60	5.242105	-1,048.42	390,18
YHOO JAN09 27.5 C		20	100	3.4570	6,914.00	2.413795	4,827.59	-2,086,41
YHOO MAY08 27.5 C		-20	100	1,4730	-2,946,00	0.253442	-506.88	2,439.12
Total in USD					15,766.80		16,568.32	801.53



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FSLR MAY08 290 C		-1	100	21,5900	-2,159.00	4.23082	-423.08	1,735.92
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GTXI MAY08 17,5 C		-10	100	2.0930	-2,093.00	0.619878	-619.88	1,473.12
IOC JAN10 25 C		5	100	10.5070	5,253.50	10.774785	5,387.39	133.89
IOC MAY08 30 C		-5	100	0.9930	-496,50	1,375721	-687.86	-191,36
MOS JAN09 125 C		2	100	28.9070	5,781.40	27.495332	5,499.07	-282,33
MOS MAY08 125 C		-2	100	7.1930	-1,438.60	3.91062	-782.12	656.48
YHOO JAN09 27.5 C		20	100	3,4570	6,914.00	2,444721	4,889.44	-2,024.56
YHOO MAY08 27.5 C		-20	100	1.4730	-2,946.00	0.183589	-367.18	2,578.82
Total in USD					20,523.80		23,037.63	2,513.84







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Yesterday Real Time - end of day value.

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IOC	YBWAE	SMAR	JAN 15 '10 25.0 CA	5	10.507	5075.00	-178.50	5253,50
MOS	MTJEE	SMAR	MAY 16 '08 125.0 C	-2	7.193	-800.00	638.60	-1438,60
MOS	XXYAE	SMAR	JAN 16 '09 125.0 C	2	28.907	5590.00	-191.40	5781,40
YHOO	YHQEY	SMAR	MAY 16 '08 27.5 C	-20	1.473	-840.00	2106.00	-2946,00
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Only 20000\$ are invested for the moment

ROI for 3 weeks = 4801.20/20523.80 = 23.40%

On a yearly basis it equals to 405.50%

Remember that GTXI (17.5\$) can go down -23% in the first month we are still able to make a profit

We paid 4.4 for the Leap 09 on GTXI and got 2.1 for May, now we are taking 1.8 for June = IF THE STOCK IS WORTH 8\$ IN JUNE, WE ARE BRAK EVEN



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Greg Morris' book

Dave Landry's book

Emilio Tomasini's stuff

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