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## How to Use Options Payout Diagrams

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# Options Payout Diagram

Visual Chart of Option Strategy  
Profit and Loss at Expiration  
Structure based on a future outlook  
Change Parameters

# Visual Chart

Allows you to see your potential profit and losses across a different range of prices at expiration.

Identify the risks and rewards

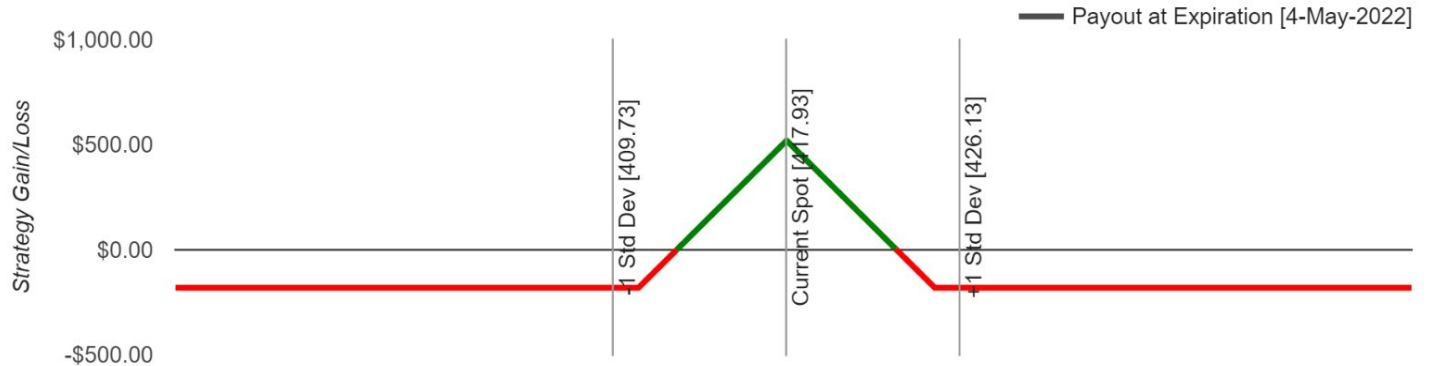
Make sure that the payoff matches your view on the stock

# Example of a Payoff Diagram (Iron Butterfly)

The **maximum gain** at expiration will be realized if the stock price closes at 418.00. The strategy will earn the collected credit of **\$5.20**.

The breakeven points at expiration are at **412.80** and **423.20**, which is -1.2% and 1.3% away from the spot price, respectively.

The **maximum loss** at expiration will occur when the stock price is below 411.00 or above 425.00, and the strategy will then lose **\$1.80**.



# Profit and Loss at Expiration

Knowing your profit and loss potential allows you to make better decisions

Is the risk/reward worth it.

How much do you stand to make and how much can you lose based on different outcomes at expiration

# Structure Strategy based on Your Future Outlook

The payoff diagram allows you to make adjustments and tweaks to your strategy so you can view potential returns and risks and feel comfortable that you optimized your strategy to match your unique future outlook.

For example: Does a vertical spread, ratio spread, or other structure work best for the outlook that you have

# Changing Parameters

Besides running a payoff diagram at expiration it is possible to make assumptions prior to expiration.

Allows you to compare a payoff diagram prior to options expiring.

You would need to input assumptions such as implied volatility at dates prior to expiration