



# Financial derivatives

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# Investments

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- **Investments:**
  - Real investments – buildings, land, real estate
  - Financial investments – securities, indexes, **financial derivatives**
- **Stocks:** equity securities
  - **Preferred stocks** receive **fixed** dividends, however you don't have a voting right in company.
  - **Common stock** the dividend is variable and depends on the profitability of company, typically has voting rights in corporate decision matters.
- **Bonds**
  - a debt security, in which the authorized issuer owes the holders a debt and is obliged to repay the principal and interest (the coupon) at a later date, termed maturity



# Financial derivatives

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- financial instruments that promise payoffs that are derived from the value of something else, which is called the “underlying.”
- The underlying is often:
  - Exchange rate, Interest rate, index, .....
- **derivatives are agreements or contracts between two parties**
- Contract between buyer and seller to buy or sell the underlying for the fixed price on the certain date in the future



# Futures versus spot price

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## Financial market classification **According to market conditions:**

- spot market (immediate transactions)
- futures (transactions on particular dates)
- options (right to buy something in the future under certain conditions)

**Spot market** means trading on the spot and immediate delivery of securities, commodities or currency. The term spot is also used to describe the current price of a commodity, gold or silver, and also a trade finished immediately. Settlement of spot operations can last several days (depending on an underlying asset).



# Financial derivatives

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- Two counterparties: buyer (long position) and seller (short position)
- Two groups of FD:
  - **Obligations** on both sides
    - Forwards, Futures, Swaps
  - One has the **right**, one obligation
    - Options



# Financial derivatives

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## ■ Main objective

- Expectation of lower price in the future, speculation aimed to earn profit – **TRADING**
- Expectation of higher price in the future, hedge against the risk – **HEDGING**
- to use price differences in territorially different markets and the same financial instruments, price differences in futures markets, and prices derived from underlying assets prices in spot markets – **ARBITRAGE**



# Forwards, Futures, Swaps, Options

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- 2 sides: Buyer and seller
  - **Obligation on both sides**  
Forward, futures, swap
  - **1 has right, 1 has obligation**  
options
- Trade – (not) standardized:
  - OTC** (over the counter) – Forward, Option, Swap
  - Exchange** – Futures, some Options

# Financial derivatives

Obligatory

Optional

Forwards

Futures

Swaps

Options

Both have  
obligation to  
buy or sell  
Not  
standardized

Both have  
obligation to  
buy or sell  
Standardized

Both have  
obligation  
More  
forwards/futures  
at one

1st has right and  
2nd has obligation  
PUT:right to sell  
CALL:right to buy





# Forward

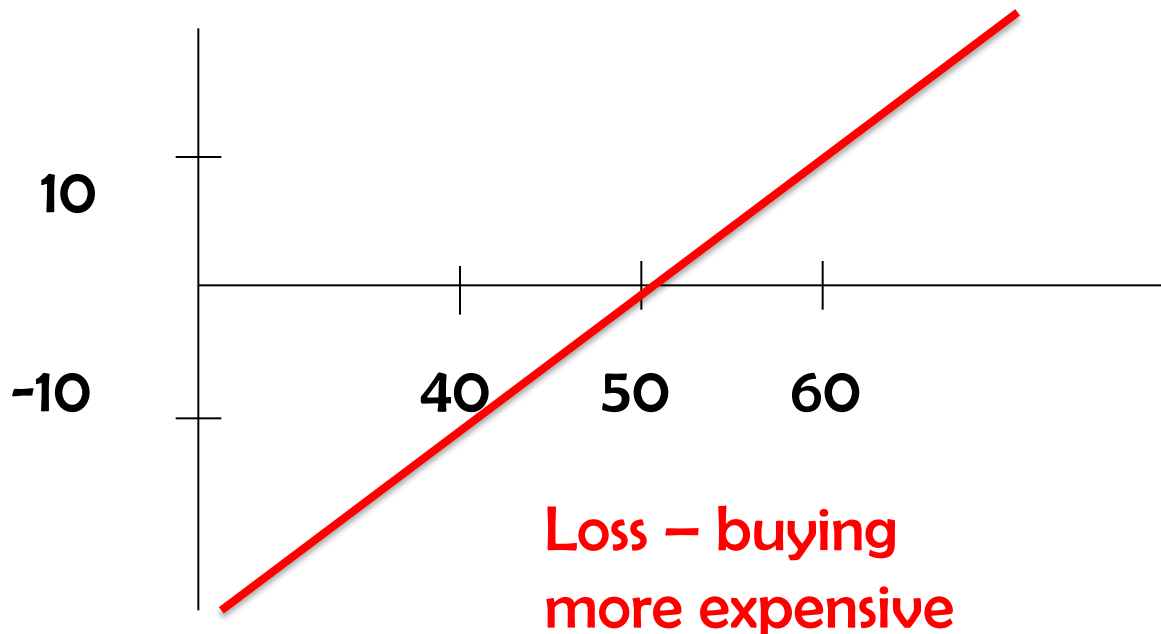
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- Is a contract to deliver at a future date (exercise date or maturity date) at a specified exercise price.
- A forward contract **obligates** one party to **buy** the underlying at a **fixed price** at a certain future date (called the maturity) from a counterparty, who is obligated to **sell** the underlying at that fixed price.



# Forward example

- Profit and loss profile – agreed to buy and sell a share for 50EUR
- Profil of buyer (long position)



Profit – buying cheaper than on the spot market

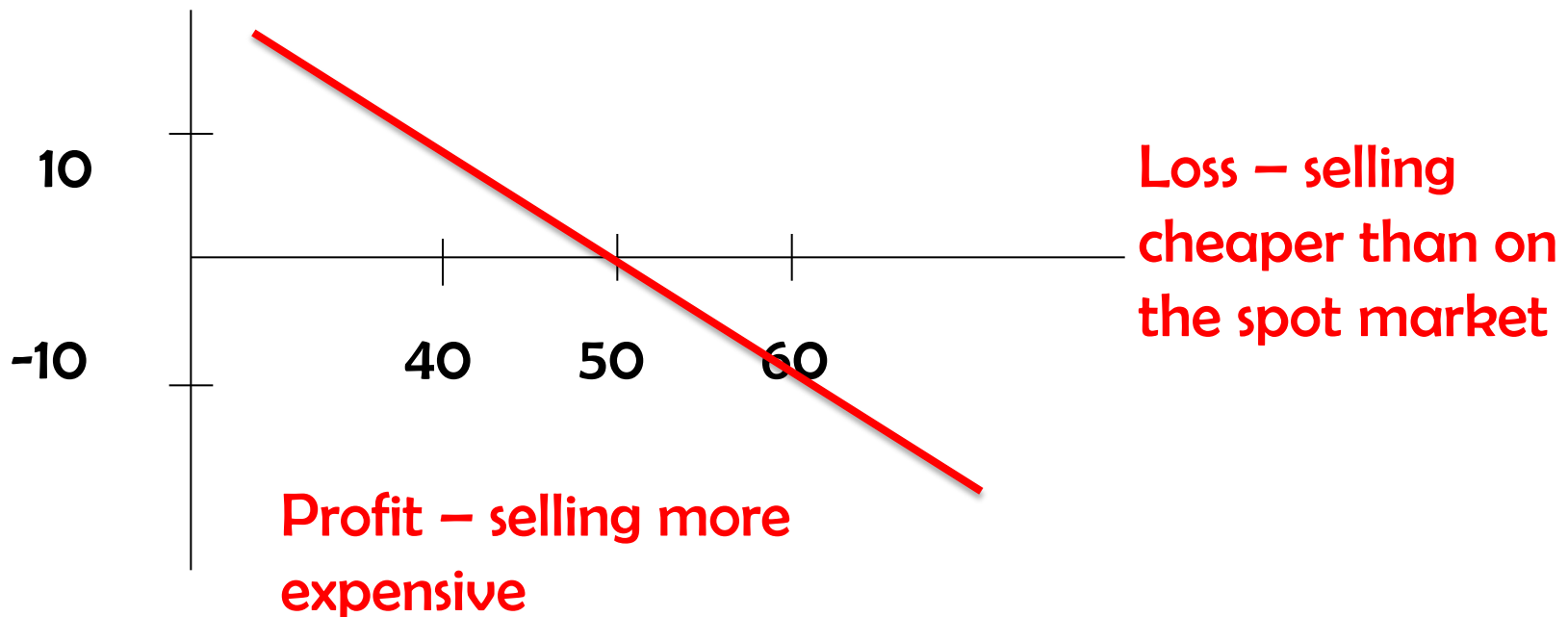
Loss – buying more expensive



# Forward example

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- Profit and loss profile – agreed to buy and sell a share for 50EUR
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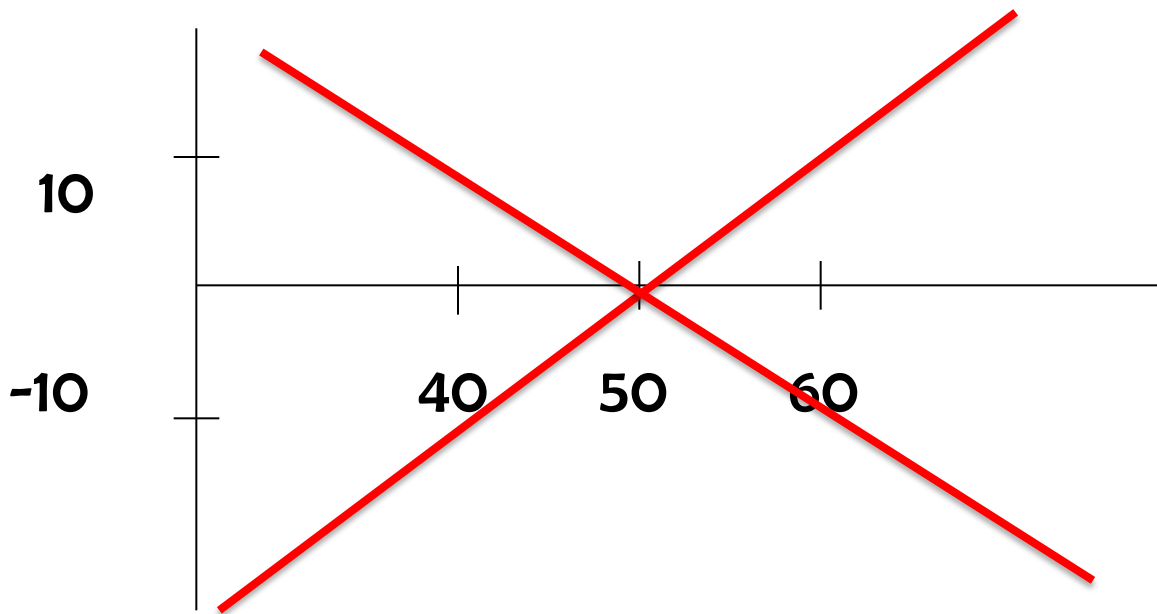




# Forward example

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- Risk elimination - price is fixed
- Market price can change, but we are not impacted by fluctuations - no profit, no loss, no risk





# READING



## Example with exchange rates

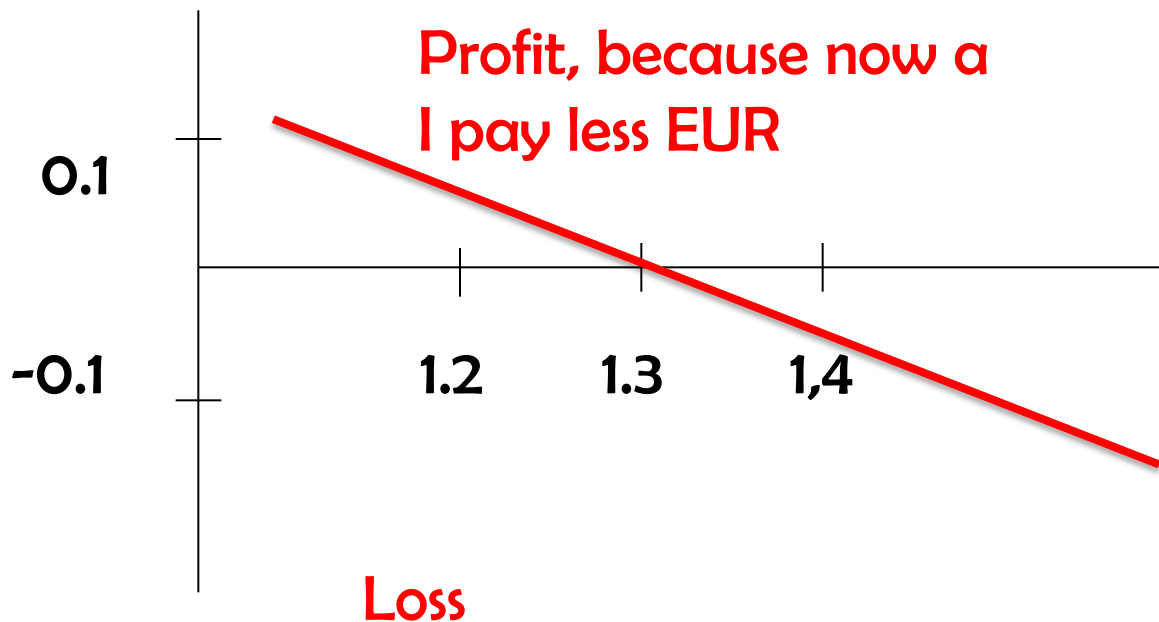
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- We make a forward contract with the bank, to exchange 1300 USD for 1.3 USD/EUR.
- Bank is selling us foreign currency USD (seller) and we are buyer.
- **Remember,**
  - the change of exchange rate to 1,4 USD/EUR means depreciation of USD
  - the change of exchange rate to 1,2USD/EUR means appreciation of USD



# Exchange rate forward

- Profit and loss profile – 1 300 USD for 1.3 USD/EUR, 3 month later
- **Profil of buyer (long position)** – buying foreign currency





# ER forward

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## ■ Exchange rate after 3 month

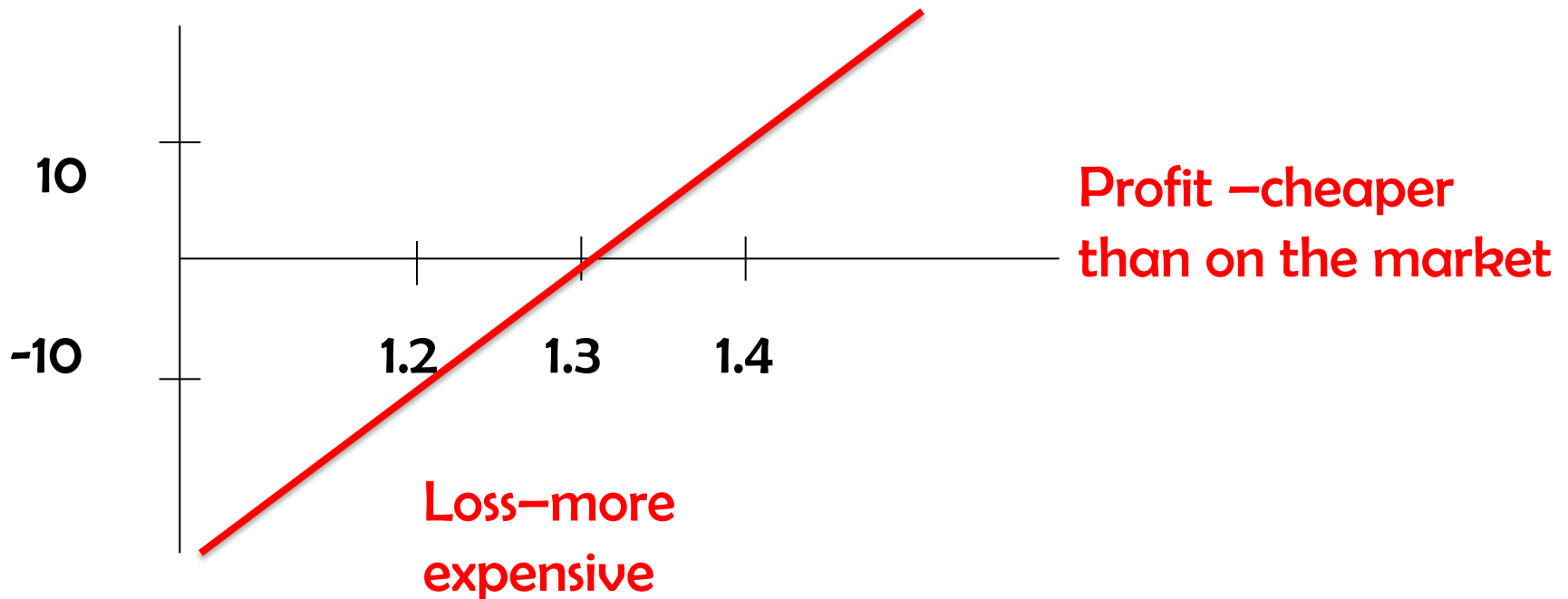
- The ER remains 1.3USD/EUR, for 1300 USD buyer pays 1000 EUR.
- The exchange rate changed to 1,4 USD/EUR, on the market we would exchange 1300 USD for 928 EUR.. However we have obligation to exchange for 1.3 (1000 EUR). LOSS
- The exchange rate changed to 1,2 USD/EUR, on the market we would exchange 1300 USD for 1083 EUR. However we have obligation to exchange for 1.3 (1300 EUR). PROFIT





# ER forward

- Profit and loss profile – 1000 EUR for 1.3USD/EUR, 3 month later
- **Profil of seller (short position)** – bank is selling foreign currency





# ER forward

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- Exchange rate after 3 month
  - The ER remains 1.3USD/EUR, for 1300 USD bank receives 1000 EUR.
  - The ER changed to 1,4 USD/EUR. If the bank did not make a forward, it would have to sell the buyer 1 300 USD a receives only 928 EUR. However, there is obligation to exchange for 1.3, for bank it is profit.
  - The ER changed to 1,2USD/EUR. If the bank did not make a forward, it would sell the buyer USD and receives 1083 EUR. However, it is obligated to exchange for 1.3, and receives only 1000 EUR. LOSS



# FRA – forward rate agreement

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- for agreements dealing with interest rates
- The party paying the fixed rate is usually referred as the borrower, while the party receiving the fixed rate is referred as the lender
- The fixed interest rate is compared to **reference rate** (EURIBOR, LIBOR...)



# FRA

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- Sign of contract:

**FRA 2 – 6**

- The contract will start 2 month later and will take 4 month (6-2)
- The borrowing doesn't have to really happen, only the profit for one of the parties is paid.



# Futures

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- Same as forward but traded on exchange
- **Standardization**
  - A *future* is a standardized derivative contract between two parties: a buyer and a seller.



# Futures

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- Being a standardized contract means that the buyer and seller do not contract directly with each other. Instead, they contract with the intermediary known as the **clearinghouse**.
- **The clearinghouse** protects their potential liability by requiring that **margin** be deposited and all positions are marked-to-market on at least a daily basis



# Contract obligation: Delivery or Offset

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- A holder of a future contract has 2 choices of how to deal with the legal obligations before the last trading day of the delivery month
  1. Delivering or taking delivery
  2. Offset

**90% of trades ends with offset**



# Forward vs. Futures contracts

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- Regulation
- Organized market place / OTC
- Default risk
- Standardized trading
- Guaranteed settlement
- Margin and Daily settlement





# Swap

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- A **swap** is a derivative in which two counterparties exchange cash flows of one party's financial instrument for those of the other party's financial instrument.
- The benefit depends on the type of financial instruments involved.
  - For example, in the case of a swap involving two bonds, the benefits in question can be the periodic interest coupon.
  - Two debts – interest rate.
- The cash flows are calculated over a **notional principal amount**.
- Swaps can be used to
  - hedge certain risks such as interest rate risk,
  - or to speculate on changes in the expected prices.



# Swaps

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- **Big investors**
- **A swap is a contract to exchange cash flows over a specific period.**
- **Combination of more derivatives at once –  
Forward portfolio**



# Swaps

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- are contractual agreements to exchange or swap a series of cash flows
- These cash flows are most commonly the interest payments associated with debt service, such as the floating-rate loan of Trident described above
  - If the agreement is for one party to swap its fixed interest rate payments for the floating interest rate payments of another, it is termed an **Interest Rate Swap (IRS)**, or an **Plain Vanilla Interest Rate Swap**
- The swap itself is not a source of capital, but rather an alteration of the types of the cash flows associated with payment



# Interest rate swaps

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- Interest rate swaps are contractual commitment between a firm and a swap dealer (usually a bank)
  - The existence of swap dealers can provide the liquidity of the swap market because it is difficult to find immediately a counterparty with the different expectation of the change of interest rates but with the same demand of the principal and the timing
  - Swap dealer can earn the bid-ask spread of the swap rates



# Example of interest rate swap

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- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVq384nqWqg>
- Way of reducing costs
- Way how bank can determinate interest for clients



# Interest rate swap

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- **Company A:**
  - would like to borrow **5 mil. pounds**
  - it is very well known profitable company
  - Wants the **variable** interest rate
- **Company B:**
  - would like to borrow **5 mil. pounds**
  - it is less well known, small company
  - Wants the **fixed** interest rate



# Offer of the bank

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Company A



Fixed	7%
Variable	LIBOR

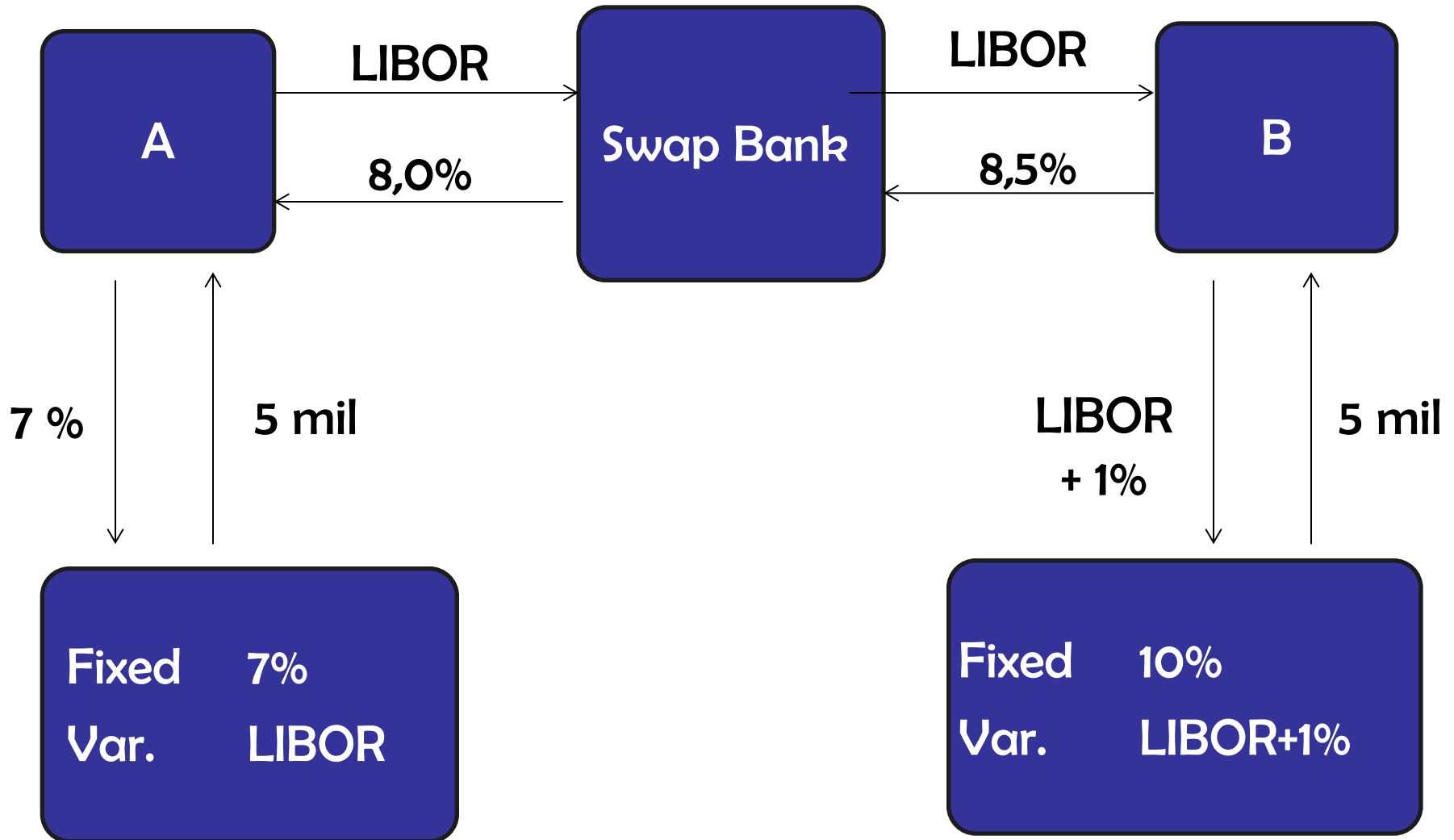
Company B



Fixed	10%
Variable	LIBOR + 1%



# Offer of the bank







# Interest rate swap

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- **Swap bank:**
  - **Receives 8,5 % and pays 8%**
  - **Recives LIBOR and pays LIBOR**
  - **Profit 0,5%**
- **Company B**
  - **receives LIBOR and pays LIBOR +1%**
  - **Pays 8,5%**
  - **$8,5\% + 1\% = 9,5\%$  instead of 10% fixed**
  - **Saves 0,5 %**



# Interest rate swap

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- **Bank A**
  - Pays LIBOR as it wanted
  - receives 8% and pays 7% fix
  - As result it saves 1% so pays LIBOR – 1%
- Both can reduce their costs and swap bank is profitable.
- This is the way how clients can pay different rates.



# Options

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- Options give **one party right** (option) and counterparty **obligation** to buy or sell the underlying at a **fixed price** at a certain future date
- The purchase price of an option – is called the **option premium**



# Options

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- **Call options** give the holder the right—but not the obligation—to buy something (underlying) at a specific price for a specific time period.
- **Put options** give the holder the right—but not the obligation—to sell something at a specific price for a specific time period.
- The specified price is called the **exercise price**. When the holder of an option takes advantage of his right, he is said to **exercise the option**.



# Options

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Options are classified into:

1. **American** option – an option that may be exercised on any trading day on or before expiration.
2. **European** option – an option that may only be exercised on expiry. These are often described as **vanilla** options.



# Two Basic Kinds of Options

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- Buyer/long in this case is called **holder** and he buys a **right**
  - Holder **buys right to buy** – call option
  - Holder **buys right to sell** – put option
- **Holder** pays for his right **option premium**.
- **Long position** will always be the point of view of **buyer** who has **right** and pays for it the option premium



# Long call option

- right to buy (call option), obligation to sell
- profile of buyer (long position)

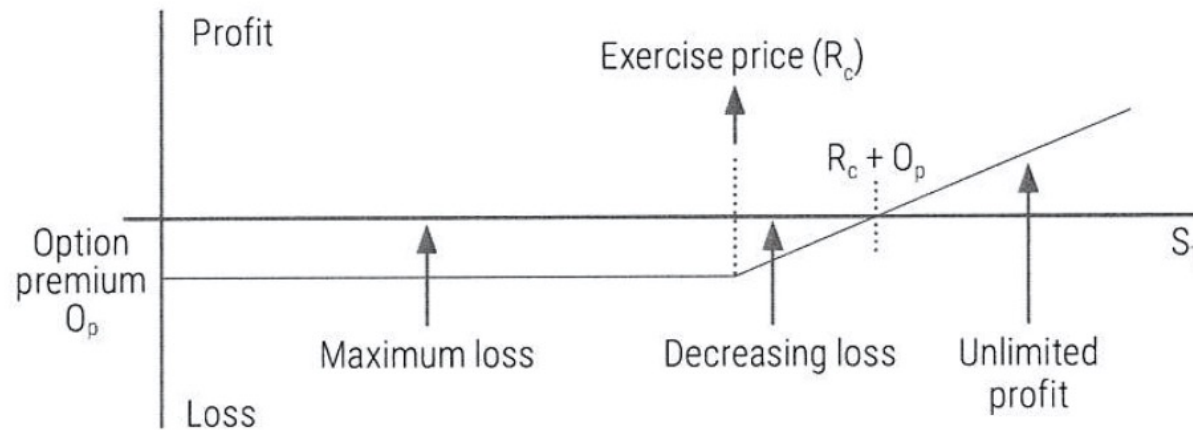


Figure 12.4: Call option – situation of a buyer (long call) (source: Vlachynský, K. Markovič, P.: Finančné inžinierstvo. 2001, p. 114)

**Profit for buyer can grow any high, however the loss is only till the high of option premium**



# Short call option

- right to buy (call option), obligation to sell
- Profile of seller(short position)

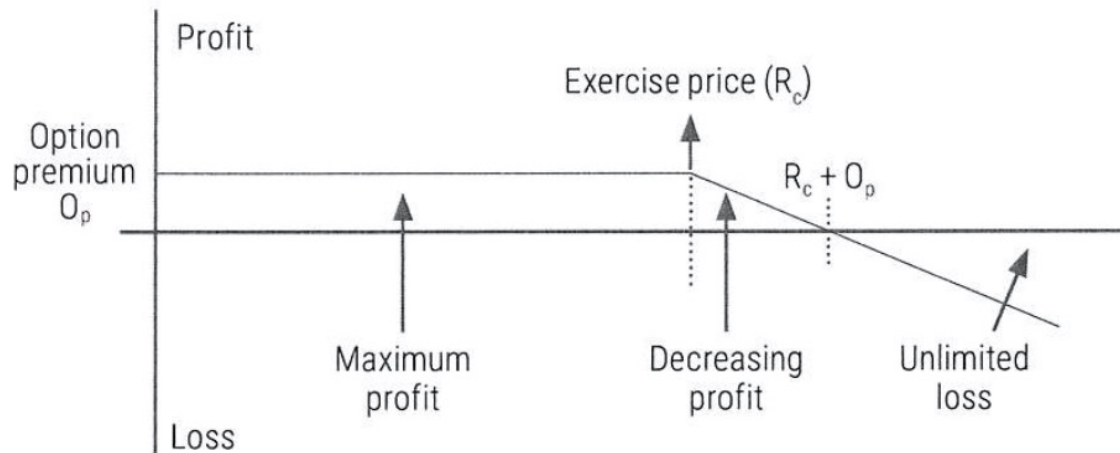


Figure 12.5: Call option – situation of a seller (short call) (source: Vlachynský, K. Markovič, P.: Finančné inžinierstvo. 2001, p. 114)





# Long put option

Holder has right to sell (put option), writer has obligation to buy

Profile of buyer/holder of option (long position)

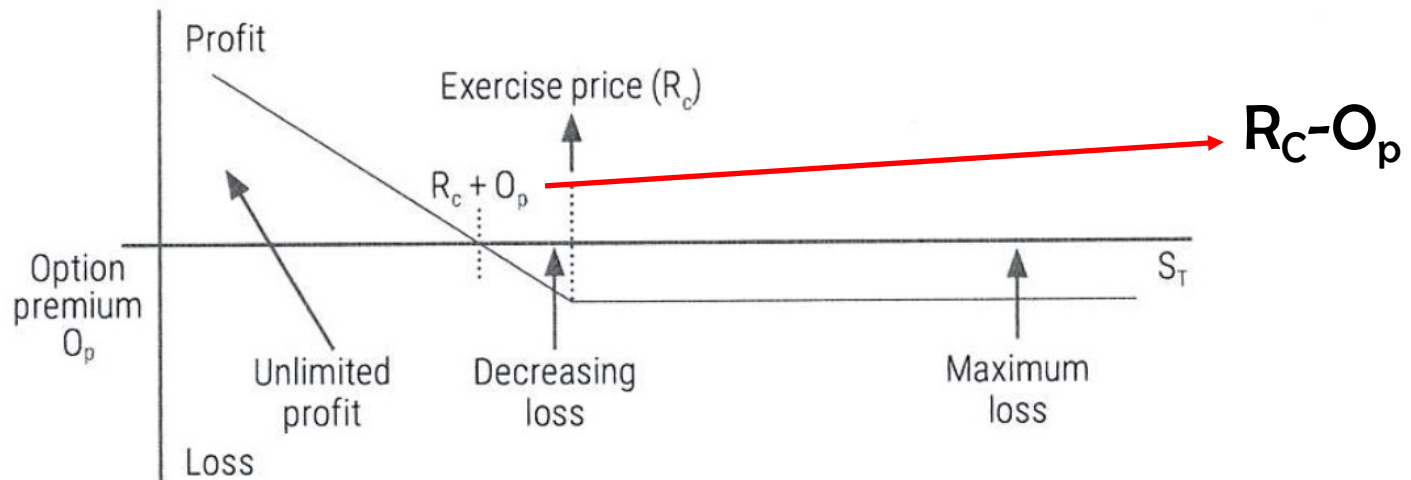


Figure 12.6: Put option – situation of a buyer (long put) (source: Vlachynský, K. Markovič, P.: Finančné inžinierstvo. 2001, p. 117)

**Profit for seller can grow any high, however the loss is only till the high of option premium**



# Short put option

- right to sell (put option), obligation to buy
- profile of writer (short position)

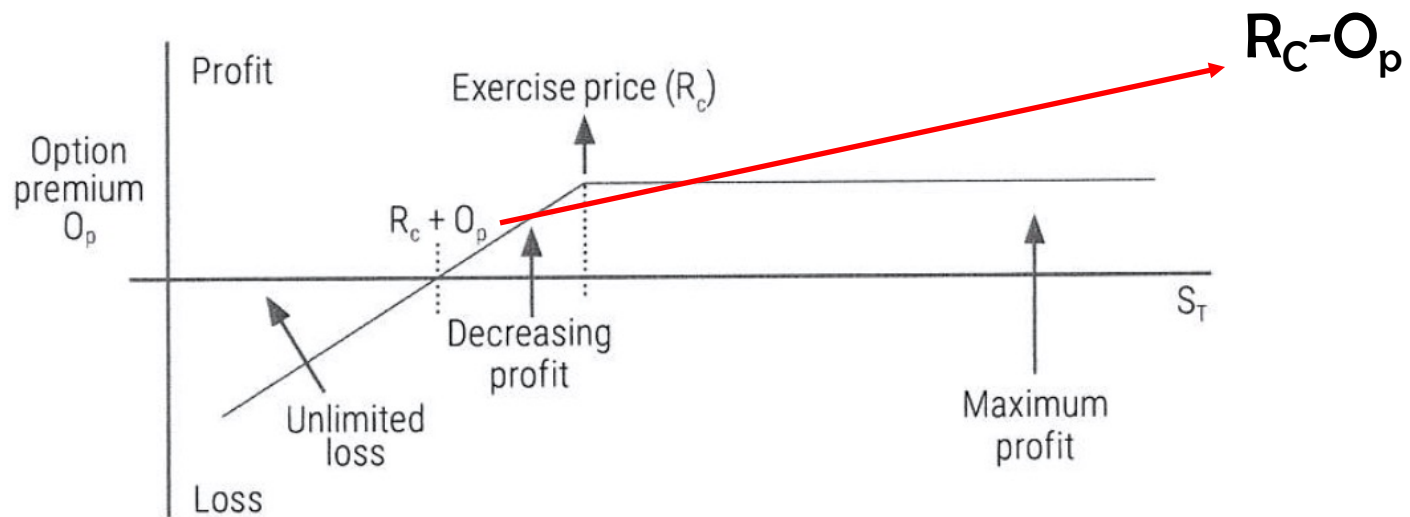


Figure 12.7: Put option – situation of a seller (short put) (source: Vlachynský, K. Markovič, P.: Finančné inžinierstvo. 2001, p. 119)



# Option strategies

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In practice, there exist option strategies combining options, and so-called synthetic positions are created. Some of the simpler option strategies are described as follows:

- **straddle** is a combined stock market strategy of buying and selling the same volumes of put and call options with the same exercise prices and due dates,
- **strangle** is a combination of buying or selling of the same volumes of put and call options for the same security, with the same due date, but with different exercise prices of a call and a put option,
- **strap** is a combination of two call options and one put option (written or bought) with the same due date and either same or different prices,
- **strip** is a combination of one call option and two put options (written or bought) with the same due date and either same or different prices.



# Speculation of investors

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- 2 types
  - Speculation on the increase of price (à la Hausse)
  - Speculation on the decrease of price (à la Baisse)
- Haussists - **BULLS**
  - Buys stocks today with the hope, that the price will increase and will sell it later for the higher price, optimistic view
- Baissists – **BEARS**
  - Sells today because expects the price to go down. He can buy it back later for lower price.



# Speculations

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SWIPES UP  
WHEN  
ATTACKING



**BULL**

MARKET

- OPTIMISM
- PRICES GOING UP

SWIPES DOWN  
WHEN  
ATTACKING



**BEAR**

MARKET

- PESSIMISM
- PRICES GOING DOWN





The bull and bear statues  
Frankfurt Stock Exchange, Germany



# Value of option

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- The value of an option can be estimated using a variety of quantitative techniques based on the concept of risk neutral pricing and using stochastic calculus. The most basic model is the Black–Scholes model.
- In general, standard option valuation models depend on the following factors:
  - The current market price of the underlying security,
  - the cost of holding a position in the underlying security, including interest and dividends,
  - the time to expiration together with any restrictions on when exercise may occur, and
  - an estimate of the future volatility of the underlying security's price over the life of the option.





**Thank you for attention!**

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