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Module III: Options Contracts, Pricing, Moneyiness, & Option Greeks

Covers options mechanics, Call vs Put options, European vs American style, Option Premium breakdown, Put-Call Parity, Option Moneyiness (ITM, ATM, OTM), Option Greeks, and trading strategies.

Unit 14: Options Overview, Parties, & Strike Price

Option Contract: Agreement giving buyer right (not obligation) to buy (Call) or sell (Put) underlying asset at specified Strike Price (\$K\$) on or before expiry date. Buyer pays Option Premium to Writer (Seller).

Unit 15: Types of Options (Call vs Put, European vs American)

Call Option: Right to Buy. **Put Option:** Right to Sell.

European Option: Exercisable only on expiration date.

American Option: Exercisable on any business day up to expiration.

Unit 16: Option Premium Breakdown (Intrinsic vs Time Value)

Option Premium Formula:

$\text{Total Option Premium} = \text{Intrinsic Value} + \text{Time Value}$

Intrinsic Value (Call) = $\max(0, S - K)$; Intrinsic Value (Put) = $\max(0, K - S)$.

Unit 17: Put-Call Parity, Moneyiness, & Option Chain

Put-Call Parity: $C + K \cdot e^{-rT} = P + S$.

Moneyiness: In-the-Money (ITM - positive intrinsic value), At-the-Money (ATM - $S \approx K$), Out-of-the-Money (OTM - zero intrinsic value). Option Chain: Matrix showing live bids/asks & OI across strikes.

Unit 18: Option Payoffs & Option Greeks

Option Greeks Sensitivity Measures: Delta ($\Delta = \frac{\partial C}{\partial S}$), Gamma ($\Gamma = \frac{\partial^2 C}{\partial S^2}$), Theta ($\Theta = \frac{\partial C}{\partial T}$ time decay), Vega ($\nu = \frac{\partial C}{\partial \sigma}$ volatility), & Rho ($\rho = \frac{\partial C}{\partial r}$).

Unit 19: Option Trading Strategies

Hedging & Speculative Strategies: Covered Call (Long Stock + Short Call), Protective Put (Long Stock + Long Put), Long Straddle (Long Call + Long Put at same strike \$K\$), & Bull Call Spread.

Practical Solved Problem 1 (Call Option Intrinsic Value & Time Value Breakdown): Stock Price $S = ₹550$. Call Option Strike $K = ₹500$, Trading Premium = ₹65. Put Option Strike $K = ₹500$, Trading Premium = ₹12. Calculate Intrinsic Value & Time Value for both Call & Put options.

Call IV = $\max(0, S - K)$; Put IV = $\max(0, K - S)$; Time Value = Premium - IV

Step-by-step Solution:

1. Call Option (Strike ₹500):

- Intrinsic Value = $\$ \max(0, 550 - 500) = \text{\textbf{₹}50}$ \$ (In-the-Money ITM).
- Time Value = $\$ 65 - 50 = \text{\textbf{₹}15}$ \$.

2. Put Option (Strike ₹500):

- Intrinsic Value = $\$ \max(0, 500 - 550) = \text{\textbf{₹}0}$ \$ (Out-of-the-Money OTM).
- Time Value = $\$ 12 - 0 = \text{\textbf{₹}12}$ \$.

Practical Case Framework 2 (Option Greeks Sensitivity Reference Matrix): Detail Option Greek symbol, underlying sensitivity risk factor, and practical trading interpretation.

Option Greeks Risk Sensitivity Table:

Option Greek	Underlying Sensitivity Factor	Practical Trading Interpretation
Delta (\$\Delta\$)	Underlying Spot Price (\$S\$) Change	Rate of change of option price per ₹1 move in spot
Gamma (\$\Gamma\$)	Delta (\$\Delta\$) Change per Spot Move	Acceleration of Delta as spot price fluctuates
Theta (\$\Theta\$)	Time Decay (\$T\$ remaining to expiry)	Daily erosion of option time value (negative for buyers)
Vega (\$\nu\$)	Implied Volatility (\$\sigma\$) Change	Option price sensitivity per 1% change in volatility

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