

Overnight Purchase.

Consider the purchase @ time 0 of one share of a continuous dividend paying stock w/ the dividend yield δ .

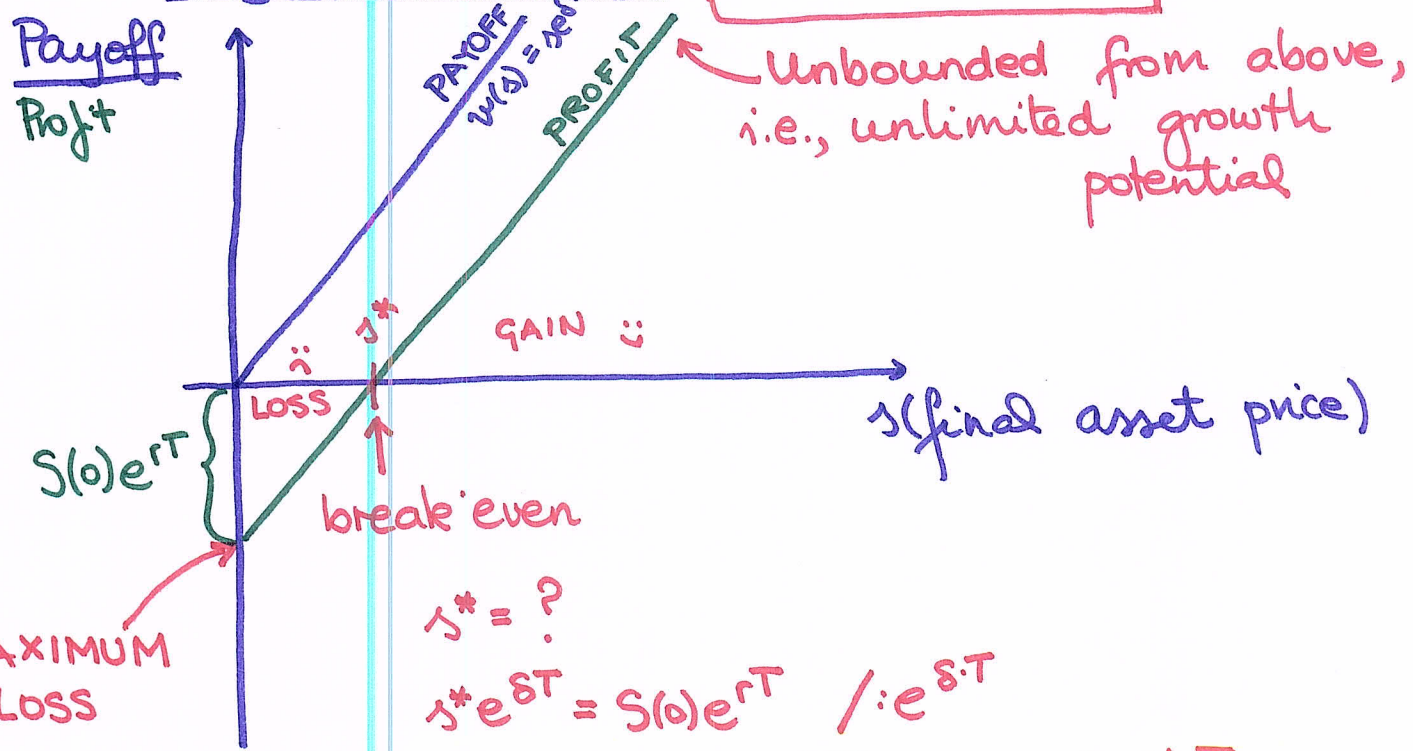
Initial cost: $S(0)$

Payoff: $e^{\delta \cdot T} \cdot S(T)$

of shares you own @ time T market price per share

s ... independent argument representing the final asset price ("placeholder for $S(T)$ ")

Payoff function: $v(s) = e^{\delta \cdot T} \cdot s$



MAXIMUM LOSS

$$s^* = ?$$

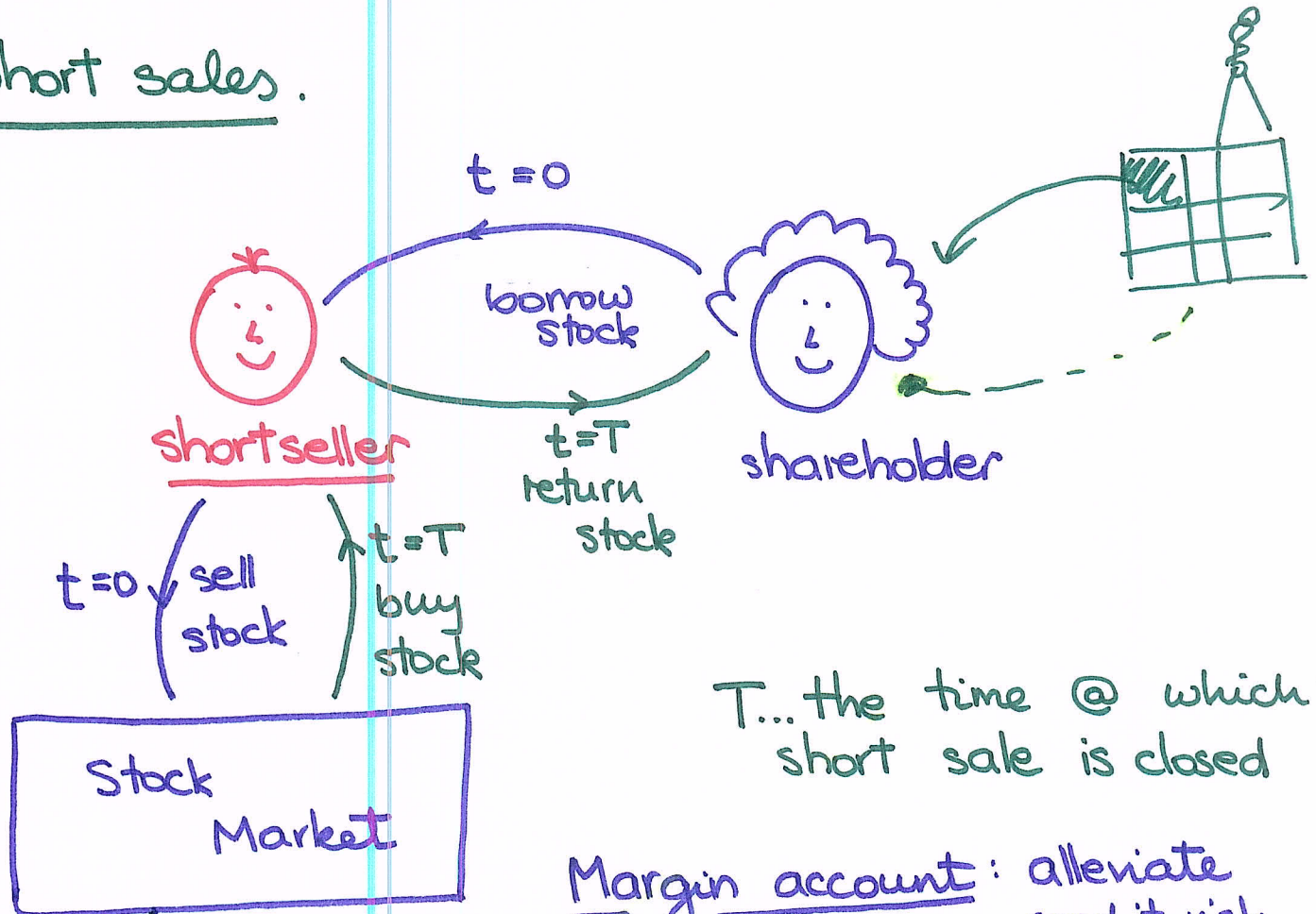
$$s^* e^{\delta T} = S(0) e^{rT} \quad /: e^{\delta T}$$

$$s^* = S(0) e^{rT} e^{-\delta T} = S(0) e^{(r-\delta) \cdot T}$$

Note: The payoff/profit functions are nondecreasing as functions of the final asset price.

If a financial position has the payoff curve which is nondecreasing as a function of the final asset price, we say that it is LONG WITH RESPECT TO THE UNDERLYING (ASSET).

Short sales.



T ... the time @ which the short sale is closed

Margin account: alleviate credit risk

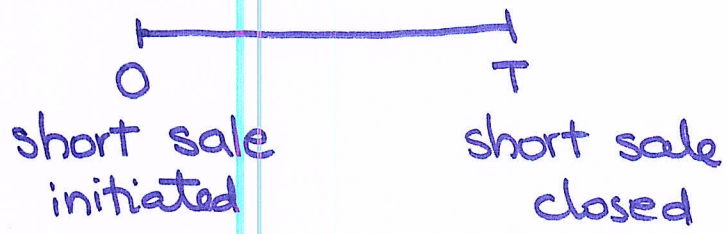
- imagine it as a savings acct whose owner is the short seller (the initial deposit is the initial margin)
- the source of dividend pmts

From now on: assume no MARGIN ACCT.

\Rightarrow We only look @ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{no dividends} \\ \text{continuous dividends} \end{array} \right.$

Case #1.

NO DIVIDENDS

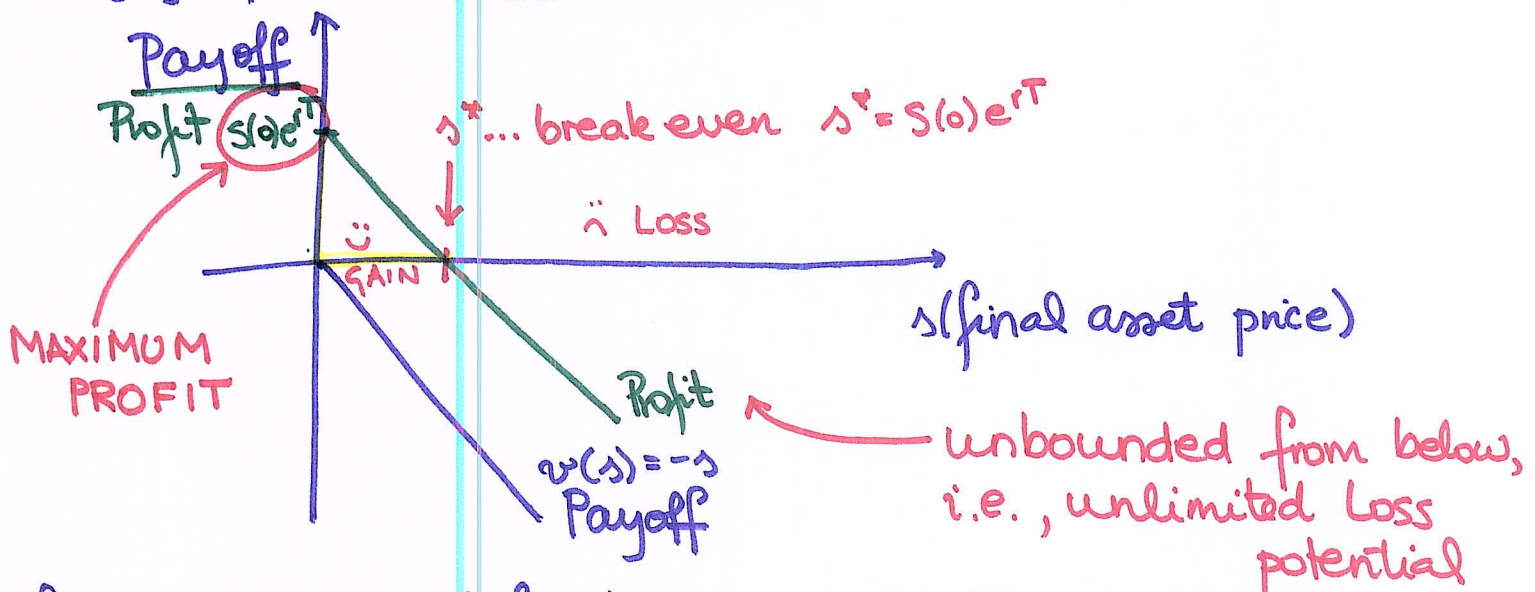


At t=0: Short seller receives $S(0)$.
 \Rightarrow Initial cost: $-S(0)$

At t=T: Short seller spends $S(T)$.
 \Rightarrow Payoff: $-S(T)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Profit} &= -S(T) + FV_{0,T} (+S(0)) \\ &= -S(T) + S(0)e^{rT} \end{aligned}$$

Payoff function: $v(s) = -s$

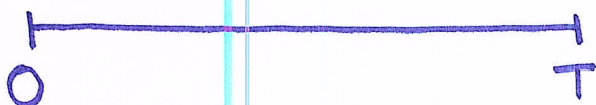


The payoff/profit functions are strictly decreasing as functions of the final asset price.

We say that a financial position whose payoff curve is nonincreasing as a function of the final asset price is SHORT WITH RESPECT TO THE UNDERLYING (ASSET).

Case #2. CONTINUOUS DIVIDENDS

δ ... dividend yield



Initial cost:

$-S(0)$

* per share *

Payoff:

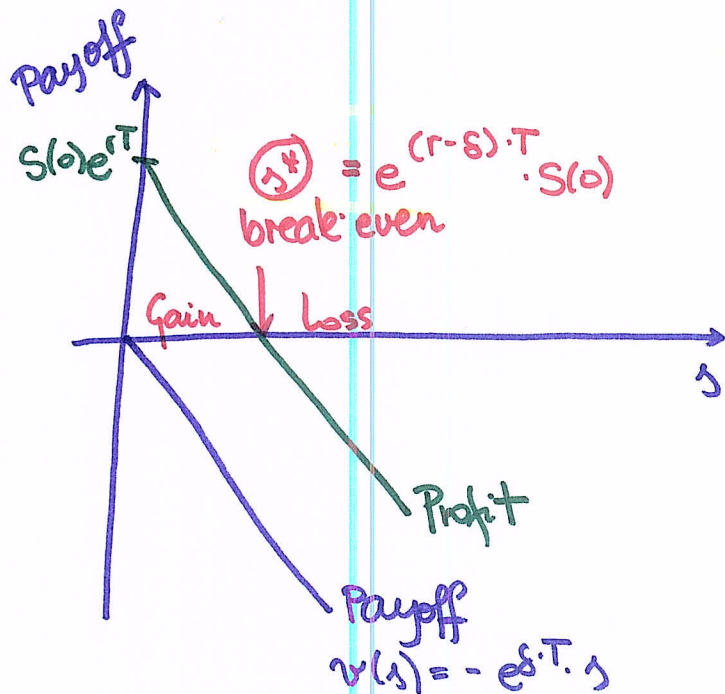
$-e^{\delta T} \cdot S(T)$

have to buy back this many shares

Profit = Payoff - FV_{0,T}(Init. Cost)

= $-e^{\delta \cdot T} \cdot S(T) + FV_{0,T}(+S(0))$

= $-e^{\delta \cdot T} \cdot S(T) + S(0)e^{rT}$



The payoff function:
 $v(S) = -e^{\delta T} \cdot S$