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 4. Call or Put Vertical Spread Purchasing (same expiration month for both options): The basic risk of effecting a long spread transaction is limited to the premium paid when the position is established.
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