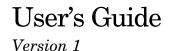
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Describes the organization of this document.

Indicates typographical conventions used in this document.

Lists both optional MathWorks' and required vendor software used with this toolbox.

Discusses installation of this toolbox and client software you need to obtain from financial data vendors.

Using This Guide

This book describes the Datafeed Toolbox for MATLAB®. The Datafeed Toolbox enables MATLAB users to obtain financial data from a financial data server and to enter this data into the MATLAB environment.

Organization of the Document

Chapter	Description
Chapter 1. "Overview"	Describes how to connect to a data server and request various forms of data.
Chapter 2. "Function Reference"	Describes the specific functions used to connect to a data server and to request various forms of data.
Appendix A. "Directory Structure"	Shows the location of directories and files created after installation of the Datafeed Toolbox on your system.

Typographical Conventions

Item	Convention	Example
Example code	Monospace font	To assign the value 5 to A, enter A = 5
Function names, syntax, filenames, directory/folder names, and user input	Monospace font	The cos function finds the cosine of each array element. Syntax line example is MLGetVar ML_var_name
Buttons and keys	Boldface with book title caps	Press the Enter key.
Literal strings (in syntax descriptions in reference chapters)	Monospace bold for literals	<pre>f = freqspace(n,'whole')</pre>
Mathematical expressions	Italics for variables Standard text font for functions, operators, and constants	This vector represents the polynomial $p = x^2 + 2x + 3$.
MATLAB output	Monospace font	MATLAB responds with A = 5
Menu and dialog box titles	Boldface with book title caps	Choose the File Options menu.
New terms and for emphasis	Italics	An <i>array</i> is an ordered collection of information.
Omitted input arguments	() ellipsis denotes all of the input/output arguments from preceding syntaxes.	[c,ia,ib] = union()
String variables (from a finite list)	Monospace italics	<pre>sysc = d2c(sysd,'method')</pre>

Related Products

The MathWorks provides several products relevant to the tasks you can perform with the Datafeed Toolbox.

For more information about any of these products, see either

- The online documentation for that product, if it is installed or if you are reading the documentation from the CD
- The MathWorks Web site, at http://www.mathworks.com; see the "products" section

Note The toolboxes listed below all include functions that extend the capabilities of MATLAB.

Product	Description
Database Toolbox	Exchange data with relational databases
Excel Link	Use MATLAB with Microsoft Excel
Financial Derivatives Toolbox	Model and analyze fixed-income derivatives and securities
Financial Time Series Toolbox	Analyze and manage financial time series data
Financial Toolbox	Model financial data and develop financial analysis algorithms
GARCH Toolbox	Analyze financial volatility using univariate GARCH models
Optimization Toolbox	Solve standard and large-scale optimization problems
Statistics Toolbox	Apply statistical algorithms and probability models

Additional Software

If you want to use the Datafeed Toolbox to retrieve data from Bloomberg, Hyperfeed, or FT Interactive Data Corporation data servers, you need to install client software available from each of these companies. If client software is not properly licensed for your machine, you will receive the error message

```
Invalid MEX-file.
```

when attempting to connect to the data server.

Information about the services offered by these companies is available on the Web at:

http://www.bloomberg.com

http://www.hyperfeed.com/f_main.html

http://www.FTInteractiveData.com

Contact your data server sales representative for information.

Installation and Configuration

To install the Datafeed Toolbox, see the MATLAB Installation documentation for your computer system.

For information about installing Bloomberg, Hyperfeed, or FT Interactive Data Corporation software on your system, contact your sales representative from these companies.

Overview

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"Datafeed Toolbox Graphical User

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Describes the purpose of the Datafeed Toolbox.

Describes how to establish communication with a

financial data server.

Uses the Bloomberg fetch command to illustrate the

steps involved in financial data retrieval.

Illustrates the use of the graphical interface dftool to

obtain financial data from a data server.

Introduction

This document describes the Datafeed Toolbox for MATLAB[®]. The Datafeed Toolbox effectively turns your MATLAB workstation into a financial data acquisition terminal. Using the Datafeed Toolbox, you can download a wide variety of security data from financial data servers into your MATLAB workspace. Then, you can pass this data to MATLAB or to another toolbox, such as the Financial Time Series Toolbox, for further analysis.

Communicating with a Financial Data Server

The Datafeed Toolbox supports connections to four financial data servers:

- Bloomberg (http://www.bloomberg.com)
- Hyperfeed (http://www.hyperfeed.com/f main.html)
- FT Interactive Data Corporation (http://www.FTInteractiveData.com)
- Yahoo (http://www.yahoo.com)

Bloomberg, Hyperfeed, and FT Interactive Data all require that you install proprietary software on your PC. To connect to Yahoo, you need to have access to the Internet and to install a Web browser. The most commonly used browsers, Microsoft Internet Explorer (http://www.microsoft.com) and Netscape Communicator (http://www.netscape.com) are available for free download.

There are four steps involved in communicating with a financial data server using this toolbox. They are

- "Communication Management" on page 1-3
- "Verifying the Connection" on page 1-4
- "Retrieving Connection Properties" on page 1-5
- "Disconnecting from a Data Server" on page 1-6

This document uses the Bloomberg financial data server as an example of establishing communication and retrieving data. Other data servers work similarly.

Communication Management

For each of the supported financial data servers, the Datafeed Toolbox uses four commands to manage communication:

- bloomberg, hyperfeed, idc, or yahoo: establishes a connection to the appropriate data server.
- isconnection: verifies that a connection is working.
- get: retrieves connection properties.
- close: terminates the connection.

An additional function, fetch, obtains the desired data from the data server and transfers it to your PC.

Example: The bloomberg Function

Connect to the Bloomberg data server using the bloomberg function. The connection requires a port number and an IP address.

The syntax for the bloomberg function is

```
connect = bloomberg(PortNumber, 'IPAddress')
```

The IP address is entered as a MATLAB string. For example, the command

```
c = bloomberg(8194, '123.456.54.123')
```

returns a Bloomberg connection object:

c =

```
connection: 84554360
ipaddress: '123.456.54.123'
port: 8194
```

The connection field within the object c contains the Bloomberg connection handle that will be used in processing future data requests.

If you want to accept the default port number and IP address provided when your Bloomberg software was installed, enter

```
c = bloomberg
```

with no arguments.

Verifying the Connection

To verify that a data server connection is valid and open, use the isconnection command. For a connection object c previously created with one of the above connection commands,

```
x = isconnection(c)
```

returns x = 1 if the connection is valid and open or x = 0 if the connection is closed or invalid.

Retrieving Connection Properties

To retrieve the properties of a connection object, use the command get. This command returns different values depending upon which data server is being used.

Example: Retrieving Bloomberg Connection Properties

For the Bloomberg connection

```
c = bloomberg(8194, '123.456.54.123')
the command
```

```
p = get(c)
```

returns the list of all valid connection properties and their values associated with the connection object c:

```
p =
    connection: 84554360
    ipaddress: '123.456.54.123'
        port: 8194
        socket: 248
    version: 1.8000
```

The get command can return specific properties of a connection object. For example, to obtain the port number and Bloomberg version for the connection object c, use the command

When returning a single property, for example, the connection handle, the command

```
p = get(c, 'Connection')
returns
p =
```

84554360

For a single returned property the output is not a structure.

Disconnecting from a Data Server

To close a data server connection and disconnect, use the close command with the format $\$

close(Connect)

You must have previously created the connection object with one of the connection commands.

Retrieving Data

The fetch command controls data retrieval from a data server connection. fetch returns different information depending upon which data server is being accessed. See the version of fetch appropriate for your data server for further information.

Example: Retrieving Bloomberg Data

This section illustrates the use of the fetch command to retrieve data from a Bloomberg data server. Versions of the fetch command that retrieve data from other data servers work similarly.

Retrieving Header (Bloomberg Default) Data

A header (default) data request to Bloomberg returns a fixed set of field data. Not all fields in the header data are relevant for a specific security.

Determining Header Fields. The list of valid header fields is stored in the file @bloomberg/bbfields.mat. Use the command

```
load @bloomberg/bbfields
```

to load this file. The variable headerfieldnames contains the list of header field names.

Obtaining Data. To retrieve header data from the Bloomberg connection, use fetch with the syntax

```
data = fetch(Connect, Security, 'HEADER', Flag)
```

where

- Connect is a Bloomberg connection object established with the bloomberg command.
- Security is the list of securities for which data is requested.
- The 'HEADER' argument is entered literally.
- Flag denotes the dates for which data can be retrieved. Flag has three possible values:
 - DEFAULT fills all fields with data from the most recent date with a bid, ask, or trade.

- **-** TODAY fills the fields with data from today only.
- ENHANCED fills the fields with data for the most recent event for each individual field. In this case, for example, the bid and ask group fields could come from different dates.

Commands of the form

```
data = fetch(Connection, Security)
data = fetch(Connection, Security, 'HEADER')
data = fetch(Connection, Security, 'HEADER', 'DEFAULT')
```

are equivalent.

The returned data has a fixed set of fields. For example, a header inquiry for the security IBM US Equity returns data of the form:

```
Status:0
              Open:93
   TodaysOpenPrice:93
         HighPrice:93.1875
   TodaysHighPrice:93.1875
          LowPrice:89
    TodaysLowPrice:89
         LastPrice:90.9375
   TodaysLastPrice:0
       SettlePrice:NaN
          BidPrice:0
    TodaysBidPrice:NaN
          AskPrice:0
    TodaysAskPrice:NaN
          YieldBid:NaN
    TodaysYieldBid:NaN
          YieldAsk:NaN
    TodaysYieldAsk:NaN
           LimitUp:NaN
         LimitDown:NaN
      OpenInterest:3359000
LastPriceYesterday:95
             Scale:1
     LastPriceTime: 0.4993
 LastTradeExchange:7
     TickDirection:-1
```

BidSize:0 TodaysBidSize:NaN AskSize:NaN TodaysAskSize:0 BidCondition: NaN AskCondition: NaN LastTradeCondition:NaN LastMarketCondition:NaN Monitorable:1 TotalVolume:60018500 TodaysTotalVolume:0 TotalNumberOfTicks:63318 TodaysTotalNumberofTicks:63318 SessionStartTime:0.3958 SessionEndTime: 0.6875 Currency:538989397 Format:0 SecurityKey:{'IBM US Equity'} AsOfDate: 730441 TodaysAsOfDate:730441

Not all fields are applicable to IBM US Equity, the security about which we inquired.

Retrieving Field Data

The fetch command with the GETDATA argument obtains Bloomberg field data. The entire set of field data provides statistics for all possible securities but does not apply universally to any one security.

Determining Field Names. The file @bloomberg/bbfields.mat stores the complete list of valid field names. Use the command

load @bloomberg/bbfields

to load this file. You will see a list of four variables:

bbcategories bbfieldids bbfieldnames headerfieldnames The variable bbfieldnames contains a list of field names. This list includes the header field names plus numerous others. The other variables loaded extend the list of field names.

Obtaining Data. To obtain data for specific fields of a given security, use the fetch command with the syntax

```
d = fetch(Connect, Security, 'GETDATA', Fields)
```

For example, use the bloomberg command to establish a connection c1 to a Bloomberg data server.

Retrieving Time Series Data

The fetch command with the TIMESERIES argument returns price and volume data for a particular security on a specified date. Time series data for a given security and a specific date are returned using the syntax

```
data = fetch(Connection, Security, 'TIMESERIES', Date)
```

Date may be a MATLAB date string or serial date number.

To obtain time series data for the current day, you can use the alternate form of the command

```
data = fetch(Connection, Security, 'TIMESERIES', now).
```

To obtain time series data for IBM using an existing connection c1, enter the command

```
data = fetch(c1, 'IBM US Equity', 'TIMESERIES', '11/16/99')
```

The result will look like this:

data =			
31.00	730440.31	130.00	1000.00
32.00	730440.31	130.00	200.00
32.00	730440.35	129.50	10000.00
31.00	730440.35	129.50	100.00
32.00	730440.35	129.50	100.00
1.00	730440.56	129.25	4000.00
31.00	730440.56	129.38	1500.00
32.00	730440.56	129.50	500.00
1.00	730440.56	129.63	5000.00
31.00	730440.56	129.63	400.00
32.00	730440.56	129.63	200.00
1.00	730440.56	129.69	5000.00
31.00	730440.56	129.69	500.00
32.00	730440.56	129.69	500.00
31.00	730440.56	129.75	100.00
32.00	730440.56	130.00	100.00
1.00	730440.56	130.00	5000.00
1.00	730440.56	129.88	5000.00
31.00	730440.56	129.88	300.00

Column 1 contains the tick type flag, column 2 contains the time stamp in MATLAB serial date number format, column 3 contains the tick value, and column 4 contains the number of shares in the transaction.

Retrieving Historical Data

Use the fetch command with the HISTORY argument to obtain historical data for a specific security.

For a specified field of a particular security use the syntax

```
d = fetch(Connect, Security, 'HISTORY', Field, FromDate, ToDate)
```

to obtain historical data. Data for the field is returned for the date range from FromDate to ToDate. See "Determining Field Names" on page 1-9 for instructions on determining valid field names.

For example, to obtain the closing price for IBM for the dates July 15, 1999 to August 2, 1999 using the connection c1, enter

```
data = fetch(c1, 'IBM US Equity', 'HISTORY', 'Last Price',...
'07/15/99', '08/02/99')
data =
     730316.00
                       136.31
     730317.00
                       136.25
     730320.00
                       134.63
     730321.00
                       128.25
     730322.00
                       129.00
                       123.88
     730323.00
     730324.00
                       124.81
     730327.00
                       123.00
     730328.00
                       126.25
                       128.38
     730329.00
     730330.00
                       125.38
     730331.00
                       125.69
     730334.00
                       122.25
```

Column 1 contains the date represented as a MATLAB date number, and column 2 contains the last price.

Finding Ticker Symbols

You can use the fetch command with the LOOKUP argument to find a ticker symbol when you are uncertain what the symbol might be. Use the syntax

```
data = fetch(Connect, SearchString, 'LOOKUP', Market)
```

to locate a specific ticker symbol.

The SearchString argument is the comparison string used in the lookup operation, and Market indicates the type of security (the market in which the security trades). The allowable values for Market are

Comdty	(Commodities)
• Corp	(Corporate Bonds)
• Curncy	(Currencies)
● Equity	(Equities)
• Govt	$(Government\ Bonds)$
• Index	(Indexes)

M-Mkt (Money Market Securities)
 Mtge (Mortgage-backed Securities)
 Muni (Municipal Bonds)
 Pfd (Preferred Stocks)

For example, using fetch with the connection c1 to look up the ticker symbol for New Zealand government bonds returns

```
data = fetch(c1, 'New', 'LOOKUP', 'Govt')
```

returns a list of possible values:

data =

'NZTB	New Zealand Treasury Bill NZGB	New Zealand Governme'
'NZGB	New Zealand Government Bond NZ	New Zealand Govern'
'NZ	New Zealand Government Internation	al Bond HCNZ Hous'
'ECNZ	Electric Corporation of New Zealan	d Bond NZTB NZGB NZ H'

Datafeed Toolbox Graphical User Interface

The Datafeed Toolbox provides a graphical user interface (GUI) consisting of two dialog boxes. The **Datafeed** dialog box consists of two tabbed dialogs, one to establish a data server connection, and the second to retrieve data from the server. The second dialog box, the **Securities Lookup** dialog box, enables you to find the ticker symbol for a specific security when you know at least part of the name of the security.

For additional information about the **Datafeed** dialog box, see

- "Connecting to a Data Server" on page 1-14
- "Data Retrieval" on page 1-16

To learn about setting overrides on retrieved data, see

• "Setting Overrides" on page 1-18

For additional information about the **Securities Lookup** dialog box, see

• "Securities Lookup Dialog Box (Bloomberg, FT Interactive Data)" on page 1-19

Datafeed Dialog Box

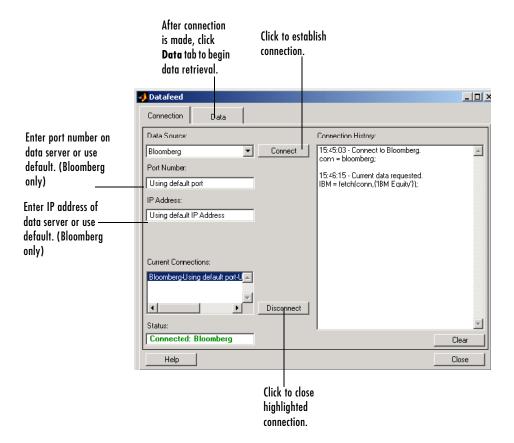
The **Datafeed** dialog box establishes the connection with the data server and manages the retrieval of data. Enter the command dftool to display the **Datafeed** dialog box on your screen. The **Datafeed** dialog box consists of two tabbed dialogs:

- The **Connection** tab establishes communication with a data server. (See "Connecting to a Data Server" on page 1-14.)
- The **Data** tab specifies the data request. (See "Data Retrieval" on page 1-16.)

Connecting to a Data Server

The **Connection** tab establishes a connection to one or more data servers. For Yahoo and FT Interactive Data connections, choose the data server from the **Data Source** choices and click on the **Connect** button. For a Bloomberg connection, you can specify a specific IP address and port number on the Bloomberg server, or alternatively, just click on the **Connect** button and accept

the default values provided when the Bloomberg software was installed on your machine.

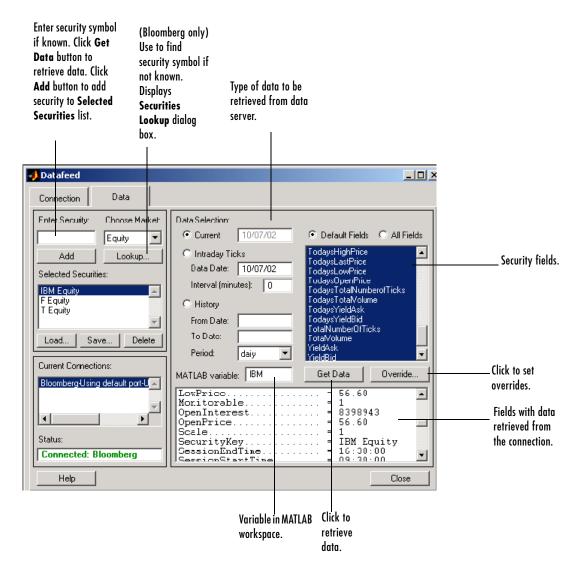


- 1 (Bloomberg only) Enter the port number on the data server in the **Port Number** box (or use default).
- 2 (Bloomberg only) Enter the IP address of the data server in the IP Address box (or use default).
- **3** Click the **Connect** button to establish the connection.

- **4** When the Connected message appears in the **Status** box, click on the **Data** tab to begin the process of retrieving data from the data server. (For information on the **Data** tab, see "Data Retrieval" on page 1-16.
- 5 Click the **Disconnect** button to terminate the session highlighted in the **Current Connections** box.

Data Retrieval

The **Data** tab manages the retrieval of data from the data server. It also allows you to access a dialog box to set overrides on the data.



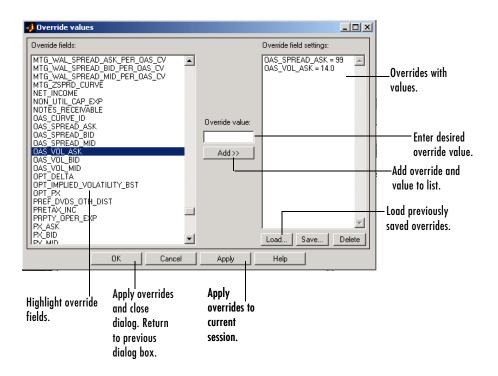
- 1 Enter security symbol in the Enter Security box.
- 2 Indicate the type of data you are seeking in the **Data Selection** panel.

- **3** Indicate whether you want the default or full set of data in the **Fields** panel.
- **4** Click the **Get Data** button to retrieve data from the data server.
- **5** Click the **Override** button if you want to set overrides on the data you request from the data server.

Note If you do not know the symbol for a security, you can use the **Lookup** button to find the name of the security. (See "Securities Lookup Dialog Box (Bloomberg, FT Interactive Data)" on page 1-19.)

Setting Overrides

Click the **Override** button if you want to set overrides on the data you obtain. The **Override values** dialog box will display.

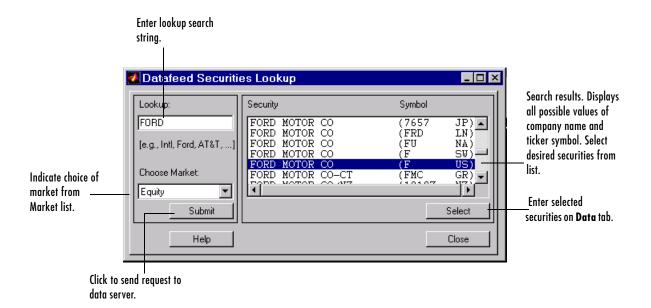


Securities Lookup Dialog Box (Bloomberg, FT Interactive Data)

Click on the **Lookup** button of the **Datafeed** dialog box **Data** tab to display the **Securities Lookup** dialog box. See "Data Retrieval" on page 1-16 for information about the **Data** tab.

The **Securities Lookup** dialog box provides a means to obtain the ticker symbol for a particular security when you know part of the name. You can then enter the ticker symbol into the **Enter Security** field on the **Data** tab. It is essential that you enter the ticker symbol as specified; otherwise, the data server may provide no data or provide data for some other security.

Alternatively, you can highlight one or more securities in the list and click **Select**. The selected securities are added to the **Selected Securities** list on the **Data** tab.



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Functions - By Category

Datafeed Toolbox functions are categorized by the data service that provides financial data to MATLAB.

- "Bloomberg Functions"
- "Hyperfeed Functions"
- "FT Interactive Data Functions"
- "Yahoo Functions"

Bloomberg Functions

This section provides detailed descriptions of the Bloomberg functions in the Datafeed Toolbox.

bloomberg Connect to Bloomberg

close Close connection

fetch Request data

get Get connection properties

isconnection True if valid connection

Purpose Connect to Bloomberg

Syntax Connect = bloomberg(PortNumber, 'IPAddress')

Connect = bloomberg

Arguments Port Number Port on machine where connection is being made.

IPAddress A MATLAB string containing the internet address of

machine where connection is being made.

Description Connect = bloomberg(PortNumber, IPAddress) establishes a connection to a

Bloomberg data server using the port number, PortNumber, and the internet

address, IPAddress.

Connect = bloomberg establishes a connection to a Bloomberg data server using port number 8194 and the default internet address provided when the

Bloomberg software was installed on your machine.

Examples c = bloomberg(8194, '111.222.33.444')

makes a connection to the Bloomberg server on port 8194 of the machine with

internet address 111.222.33.444.

See Also close, fetch, get, isconnection

close

Purpose Close Bloomberg connection

Syntax close(Connect)

Arguments Connect Bloomberg connection object created with the bloomberg

command.

Description close (Connect) closes the connection to the Bloomberg data server.

Examples c = bloomberg(8194, '111.222.33.444')

establishes a Bloomberg connection, c.

close(c)

closes this connection.

See Also bloomberg

Purpose Request data from Bloomberg **Syntax** data = fetch(Connect, 'Security') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'HEADER', 'Flag') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'GETDATA', 'Fields') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'GETDATA', 'Fields', Override, Values) data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'TIMESERIES', 'Date') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'TIMESERIES', 'Date', Minutes, TickField) data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'HISTORY', 'Field', 'FromDate', 'ToDate') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'HISTORY', 'Field', 'FromDate', 'ToDate', 'Period') ticker = fetch(Connect, 'SearchString', 'LOOKUP', 'Market') Arguments Connect Bloomberg connection object created with the bloomberg command. Security A MATLAB string containing the name of a security in a format recognizable by the Bloomberg server. (Note: For header data only. Security may be a cell array of strings containing a list of securities.) F1ag A MATLAB string indicating the dates from which data is to be retrieved. Possible values are: DEFAULT: Data from most recent bid, ask, or trade. If a Flag value is not specified, 'DEFAULT' is assumed. TODAY: Today's data only. ENHANCED: Data from most recent date of each individual field. Fields A MATLAB string or cell array of strings indicating specific fields for which data is to be provided. Valid field names are in the file @bloomberg/bbfields.mat. The variable bbfieldnames contains the list of field names.

Override (Optional) Override field list.

Values (Optional) Override field values.

Date string or serial date number indicating date for the

time series. Specify now for today's time series data.

Minutes (Optional) Tick interval in minutes.

TickField (Optional) The field can be specified as a string or

numeric value (e.g., F = 'Trade' or F = 1 return data

for ticks of type Trade. Use the command

dftool('ticktypes') to return the list of intraday tick

fields.

FromDate Beginning date for historical data.

ToDate End date for historical data.

Period (Optional) Period of the data:

'd' - daily,

'w' - weekly,

'm' - monthly,

'q' - quarterly,

'y' - yearly.

If *Period* is not specified, the default period for the data

is used.

Market A MATLAB string indicating the market in which a

particular security trades. *Market* values are:

 ${\tt Commodities})$

Corp (Corporate bonds)

Curncy (Currencies)
Equity (Equities)

Govt (Government bonds)

Index (Indexes)

M-Mkt (Money Market securities)
Mtge (Mortgage-backed securities)

Muni (Municipal bonds)
Pfd (Preferred stocks)

Description

For a given security, fetch returns header (default), field, time series, and historical data via the Bloomberg connection

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security') fills the header fields with data from the most recent date with a bid, ask, or trade.

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'HEADER', 'Flag') returns data based upon the value of Flag.

If Flag is DEFAULT, fetch fills the header fields with data from the most recent date with a bid, ask, or trade. (This is the equivalent of data = fetch(Connect, Security)).

- If *Flag* is TODAY, fetch returns the header field data with data from today only.
- If Flag is ENHANCED, fetch returns the header field data for the most recent date of each individual field. In this case, for example, the bid and ask group fields could come from different dates.

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'GETDATA', 'Fields') returns the data for the specified fields of the indicated security. You can further specify the data with the optional Override and Values arguments.

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'TIMESERIES', 'Date') returns the tick data for a security for the specified date. You can further specify the data with the optional Minutes and TickField arguments.

For today's tick data, specify

```
data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'TIMESERIES', now)
```

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'HISTORY', 'Field', 'FromDate', ToDate) returns historical data for the specified field for the date range FromDate to ToDate. You can further specify the date range by setting the time period with the optional *Period* argument.

ticker = fetch(Connect, 'SearchString', 'LOOKUP', 'Market') uses SearchString to find the ticker symbol for a security trading in a designated market. The output ticker is a column vector of possible ticker values.

Examples

Returning Header Data

```
D = fetch(C, 'ABC US Equity')
```

returns the header data for a United States equity with ticker ABC.

Opening and Closing Prices

```
D = fetch(C,'ABC US Equity','GETDATA',{'Last Price';'Open'})
```

returns the opening and closing prices.

Override Fields

```
D = fetch(C,'3358ABCD4 Corp', 'GETDATA',...
{'YLD_YTM_ASK','ASK','OAS_SPREAD_ASK','OAS_VOL_ASK'},...
{'PX_ASK','OAS_VOL_ASK'}, {'99.125000','14.000000'})
```

returns the requested fields given override fields and values.

Time Series

```
D = fetch(C, 'ABC US Equity', 'TIMESERIES', now)
```

return today's time series.

Time Intervals

```
D = fetch(C, 'ABC US Equity', 'TIMESERIES', now, 5, 'Trade')
```

returns today's trade time series for the given security aggregated into five-minute intervals.

Default Closing Price

```
D = fetch(C,'ABC US Equity','HISTORY','Last_Price','8/01/99',...
'8/10/99')
```

returns the closing price for the given dates using the default period of the data.

Monthly Closing Price

```
D = fetch(C,'ABC US Equity','HISTORY','Last_Price','8/01/99',...
'9/30/00','m')
```

returns the monthly closing price for the given dates for the given security.

See Also

bloomberg, close, get, isconnection

Purpose Get Bloomberg connection properties

Syntax value = get(Connect, 'PropertyName')

Arguments

Connect Bloomberg connection object created with the bloomberg

command.

PropertyName (optional) A MATLAB string or cell array of strings

containing property names. Property names are:

Connection IPAddress Port Socket Version

Description

value = get(Connect, 'PropertyName') returns a MATLAB structure containing the value of the specified properties for the Bloomberg connection object.

value = get(Connect) returns the value for all properties.

Examples

```
c = bloomberg(8194, '111.222.33.444')
```

establishes a Bloomberg connection, c.

The command

See Also

bloomberg, close, fetch, isconnection

isconnection

Purpose True if valid Bloomberg connection

Syntax x = isconnection(Connect)

Arguments Connect Bloomberg connection object created with the bloomberg

command.

Description x = isconnection(Connect) returns <math>x = 1 if the connection is a valid

Bloomberg connection, and x = 0 if it is not.

Examples The command

c = bloomberg(8194, '111.222.33.444')

establishes a Bloomberg connection, c.

Then

x = isconnection(c)

x = 1

indicates that c is a valid Bloomberg connection.

See Also bloomberg, close, fetch, get

Hyperfeed Functions

This section provides detailed descriptions of the Hyperfeed functions in the Datafeed Toolbox.

close Close connection

fetch Request data

get Get connection properties

hyperfeed Connect to Hyperfeed

isconnection True if valid connection

close

Purpose Close Hyperfeed connection

Syntax close(Connect)

Arguments Connect Hyperfeed connection object created with the hyperfeed

command.

Description close (Connect) closes the connection to the Hyperfeed data server.

See Also hyperfeed

Purpose Request data from Hyperfeed Syntax data = fetch(Connect, 'Security') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Date') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields', 'Date') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'FromDate', 'ToDate') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields', 'FromDate', 'ToDate') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'FromDate', 'ToDate', 'Period') Arguments Connect Hyperfeed connection object created with the hyperfeed command. Security A MATLAB string or cell array of strings containing the names of a securities in a format recognizable by the Hyperfeed server. Fields A MATLAB string or cell array of strings indicating the data fields for which data is to be retrieved. Some possible values are: Symbol Last Date Time Change **Open** High Low Volume Date Date string or serial date number indicating date for the requested data. If today's date is entered, yesterday's data is returned. FromDate Beginning date for historical data.

ToDate End date for historical data. Period Period within date range. *Period* values are: d (daily) w (weekly) m (monthly) v (dividends) data = fetch(Connect, 'Security') returns data for all fields from Hyperfeed's web site for the indicated securities. data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields') returns data for the specified fields. data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Date') returns all security data for the requested date. data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields', 'Date') returns security data for the specified fields on the requested date. data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'FromDate', 'ToDate') returns security data for the date range FromDate to ToDate. data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields', 'FromDate', 'ToDate') returns security data for the specified fields for the date range FromDate to ToDate. data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'FromDate', 'ToDate', 'Period') returns security data for the date range FromDate to ToDate with the indicated period. Obtain the closing price for Coca Cola on April 6, 2000. c = hyperfeed('History'); ClosePrice = fetch(c,'ko','Close','Apr 6 00') ClosePrice =

45.75

Description

Examples

730582.00

fetch

See Also

close, get, hyperfeed, isconnection (Hyperfeed functions)

Purpose Ge

Get Hyperfeed connection properties

Syntax

value = get(Connect, 'PropertyName')

Arguments

Connect Hyperfeed connection object created with the hyperfeed

command.

PropertyName (optional) A MATLAB string or cell array of strings

containing property names. Property names are:

Connection IPAddress Port Socket Version

Description

value = get(Connect, 'PropertyName') returns the value of the specified

properties for the Hyperfeed connection object.

value = get(Connect) returns a MATLAB structure where each field name is the name of a property of Connect, and each field contains the value of that property.

Examples

Use the hyperfeed command to establish a connection to Hyperfeed.

```
c = hyperfeed('Price')
```

Now use the get command to retrieve the connection property value.

```
h = get(c, Connection)
h=
connection: 3
table: 'Price'
```

See Also

close, fetch, hyperfeed, isconnection (Hyperfeed functions)

hyperfeed

Purpose Connect to Hyperfeed

Syntax Connect = hyperfeed(*Table*)

Arguments Table Indicates the Hyperfeed table (database) to access.

Possible values are: 'Price' (Default)

'Profile' 'History'

Description Connect = hyperfeed(*Table*) connects to the indicated Hyperfeed table.

Examples c = hyperfeed('Price)

connects to the Hyperfeed Price table.

See Also close, fetch, get, isconnection (Hyperfeed functions)

isconnection

Purpose True if valid Hyperfeed connection

Syntax x = isconnection(Connect)

Arguments Connect Hyperfeed connection object created with the hyperfeed

command.

Description x = isconnection(Connect) returns <math>x = 1 if the connection is a valid

Hyperfeed connection, and x = 0 if it is not.

Examples The command

c = hyperfeed

establishes a Hyperfeed connection, c, to the Price table.

Then

x = isconnection(c);

x = 1

indicates that c is a valid Hyperfeed connection.

See Also close, fetch, get, hyperfeed (Hyperfeed functions)

FT Interactive Data Functions

This section provides detailed descriptions of the FT Interactive Data functions in the Datafeed Toolbox.

close Close connection

fetch Request data

get Get connection properties

idc Connect to IDC

isconnection True if valid connection

Purpose Close FT Interactive Data connection

Syntax close(Connect)

Arguments Connect FT Interactive Data connection object created with the

idc command.

Description close (Connect) closes the connection to the FT Interactive Data server.

Examples c = idc

establishes an FT Interactive Data connection, c.

close(c)

closes this connection.

See Also idc

Purpose Request data from FT Interactive Data **Syntax** data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields', 'FromDate', 'ToDate') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields', 'FromDate', 'ToDate', 'Period') data = fetch(Connect, 'String', 'Lookup', 'Type', 'Market', NumRecords, StartRecord) data = fetch(Connect, '', 'Lookup', 'Category') data = fetch(Connect, '', 'GUILookup', 'GUICategory') Arguments Connect FT Interactive Data connection object created with the ide command. Security A MATLAB string containing the name of a security in a format recognizable by the FT Interactive Data server. Fields A MATLAB string or cell array of strings indicating specific fields for which data is to be provided. Valid field names are in the file @idc/idcfields.mat. The variable bbfieldnames contains the list of field names. FromDate Beginning date for historical data. ToDate End date for historical data. Period Period within date range. String Search string. Type Lookup type. Possible values are: F (Fields) S (Securities) Market Market to search. Number of record to fetch. NumRecords StartRecord Starting record for fetch.

Category Lookup category. Possible values are:

F (All valid field categories)

S (All valid security categories)

GUI category. Possible values are:

F (All valid field categories)

S (All valid security categories)

Description

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields') returns data for the indicated fields of the designated securities.

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields', 'FromDate', 'ToDate') returns historical data for the indicated fields of the designated securities.

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields', 'FromDate', 'Period') returns historical data for the indicated fields of the designated securities with the designated period.

data = fetch(Connect, 'String', 'Lookup', 'Type', 'Market', NumRecords, StartRecord) returns data of the requested type by searching within the designated market for the string.

data = fetch(Connect, '', 'Lookup', 'Category') returns all valid field or security categories.

data = fetch(Connect, '', 'GUILookup', 'GUICategory') opens the FT Interactive Data dialog for selecting fields or securities.

Examples

```
d = fetch(c,'ford','lookup','s','equity',4,1)
```

returns the first four securities containing the string 'ford' starting with the first record.

See Also

close, get, idc, isconnection

get

Purpose Get FT Interactive Data connection properties

Syntax value = get(Connect, 'PropertyName')

value = get(Connect)

Arguments Connect FT Interactive Data connection object created with the

idc command.

PropertyName (optional) A MATLAB string or cell array of strings

containing property names. Property names are:

Connected Connection Queued

Description value = get(Connect, 'PropertyName') returns the value of the specified

properties for the FT Interactive Data connection object. 'PropertyName' is a

string or cell array of strings containing property names.

value = get(Connect) returns a MATLAB structure. Each field name is the

name of a property of Connect, and each field contains the value of that

property.

See Also close, fetch, idc, isconnection (FT Interactive Data functions)

Purpose Connect to FT Interactive Data

Syntax Connect = idc

Description Connect = idc connects to the FT Interactive Data Corporation data server.

Connect is a connection handle used by other functions to obtain data.

Examples c = idc

makes a connection to the FT Interactive Data server.

See Also close, fetch, get, isconnection (FT Interactive Data functions)

isconnection

Purpose True if valid FT Interactive Data connection

Syntax x = isconnection(Connect)

Arguments Connect FT Interactive Data connection object created with the

idc command.

Description x = isconnection(Connect) returns <math>x = 1 if the connection is a valid

FT Interactive Data connection, and x = 0 if it is not.

Examples The command

c = idc

establishes an FT Interactive Data connection, c.

Then

x = isconnection(c)

x = 1

indicates that c is a valid FT Interactive Data connection.

See Also close, fetch, get, idc (FT Interactive Data functions)

Yahoo Functions

This section provides detailed descriptions of the Yahoo functions in the Datafeed Toolbox.

close Close connection

fetch Request data

get Get connection properties

isconnection True if valid connection

yahoo Connect to Yahoo

close

Purpose Close Yahoo connection

Syntax close(Connect)

Arguments Connect Yahoo connection object created with the yahoo

command.

Description close (Connect) closes the connection to the Yahoo data server.

See Also yahoo

Purpose Request data from Yahoo **Syntax** data = fetch(Connect, 'Security') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Date') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields', 'Date') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'FromDate', 'ToDate') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields', 'FromDate', 'ToDate') data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'FromDate', 'ToDate', 'Period') Arguments Connect Yahoo connection object created with the yahoo command. Security A MATLAB string or cell array of strings containing the names of a securities in a format recognizable by the Yahoo server. Fields A MATLAB string or cell array of strings indicating the data fields for which data is to be retrieved. For current market data the values are: Svmbol Last Date Time Change 0pen High Low Volume For historical data the values are: Close Date High Low 0pen Volume Date Date string or serial date number indicating date for the requested data. If today's date is entered, yesterday's data is returned.

FromDate Beginning date for historical data.

ToDate End date for historical data.

Period within date range. Period values are:

d (daily)
w (weekly)
m (monthly)
v (dividends)

Description

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security') returns data for all fields from Yahoo's web site for the indicated securities.

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields') returns data for the
specified fields.

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Date') returns all security data for
the requested date.

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields', 'Date') returns security
data for the specified fields on the requested date.

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'FromDate', 'ToDate') returns
security data for the date range FromDate to ToDate.

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'Fields', 'FromDate', 'ToDate') returns security data for the specified fields for the date range FromDate to ToDate.

data = fetch(Connect, 'Security', 'FromDate', 'ToDate', 'Period') returns security data for the date range FromDate to ToDate with the indicated period.

```
Obtain the closing price for Coca Cola on April 6, 2000.

c = yahoo;

ClosePrice = fetch(c,'ko','Close','Apr 6 00')

ClosePrice =

730582.00 45.75
```

close, get, isconnection, yahoo (Yahoo functions)

See Also

Purpose

Get Yahoo connection properties

Syntax

value = get(Connect, 'PropertyName')

Arguments

Connect

Yahoo connection object created with the yahoo

command.

PropertyName

(optional) A MATLAB string or cell array of strings

containing property names. Currently the only property

name recognized is url.

Description

value = get(Connect, 'PropertyName') returns the value of the specified
properties for the Yahoo connection object.

value = get(Connect) returns a MATLAB structure where each field name is the name of a property of Connect, and each field contains the value of that property.

Examples

Use the vahoo command to establish a connection to Yahoo.

```
c = yahoo
c =
    url: 'http://quote.yahoo.com'
```

Now use the get command to retrieve the connection property value.

```
get(c, url )
ans =
    url: 'http://quote.yahoo.com'
```

See Also

close, fetch, isconnection, yahoo (Yahoo functions)

isconnection

Purpose True if valid Yahoo connection

Syntax x = isconnection(Connect)

Arguments Connect Yahoo connection object created with the yahoo

command.

Description x = isconnection(Connect) returns x = 1 if the connection is a valid Yahoo

connection, and x = 0 if it is not.

Examples The command

c = yahoo

establishes a Yahoo connection, c.

Then

x = isconnection(c)

x = 1

indicates that c is a valid Yahoo connection.

See Also close, fetch, get, yahoo (Yahoo functions)

yahoo

Purpose Connect to Yahoo

Syntax Connect = yahoo

Connect = yahoo('URL', 'IPAddress', PortNumber)

Arguments

URL Must be 'http://quote.yahoo.com'

IPAddress A MATLAB string containing the internet address of

proxy server machine.

PortNumber Port number on proxy server.

Description

Connect = yahoo verifies that the URL http://quote.yahoo.com is accessible and creates a connection handle.

Connect = yahoo('URL', 'IPAddress', PortNumber) connects to Yahoo through a proxy server using the IP address and port number provided. This form of the yahoo command may be required when connecting to Yahoo from behind an internal firewall.

Examples

Use the yahoo command to establish a connection to the Yahoo data server.

```
Connect = yahoo
```

Connect =

```
url: 'http://quote.yahoo.com'
```

Use the yahoo command to establish a connection to the Yahoo data server, providing an IP address and port number on a proxy server.

```
Connect = yahoo('http://quote.yahoo.com','111.222.33.444',5678)
```

Connect =

url: 'http://quote.yahoo.com'

ip: '111.222.33.444'

port: 5678

See Also

close, fetch, get, isconnection (Yahoo functions)



Directory Structure



Table A-1: <matlab>/datafeed/datafeed/@bloomberg

File	Purpose	
bloomberg	Connect to Bloomberg data server	
close	Close connection to Bloomberg data server	
fetch	Request data from Bloomberg data server	
get	Get Bloomberg connection properties	
isconnection	True if valid Bloomberg connection	

Table A-2: <matlab>/datafeed/datafeed/@hyperfeed

File	Purpose
close	Close connection to Hyperfeed data server
fetch	Request data from Hyperfeed data server
get	Get Hyperfeed connection properties
hyperfeed	Connect to Hyperfeed data server
isconnection	True if valid Hyperfeed connection

Table A-3: <matlab>/datafeed/datafeed/@idc

File	Purpose
close	Close connection to FT Interactive Data data server
fetch	Request data from FT Interactive Data data server
get	Get FT Interactive Data connection properties
idc	Connect to FT Interactive Data data server
isconnection	True if valid FT Interactive Data connection

Table A-4: <matlab>/datafeed/datafeed/@yahoo

File	Purpose
close	Close connection to Yahoo data server
fetch	Request data from Yahoo data server
get	Get Yahoo connection properties
isconnection	True if valid Yahoo connection
yahoo	Connect to Yahoo data server

Table A-5: <matlab>/datafeed/dfgui

File	Purpose
dftool	Datafeed graphical user interface

В	
Bloomberg	hyperfeed 2-14
connection handle 1-4	yahoo 2-29
connection object 1-4	field data 1-9
bloomberg $1\text{-}4, 2\text{-}3$	field names 1-9
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C	
close 1-6	G
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hyperfeed 2-13	FT Interactive Data 2-24
yahoo 2-28	hyperfeed 2-17
connecting 1-4	yahoo 2-32
connection handle 1-4	GETDATA argument 1-9
connection object 1-4	graphical user interface 1-14
Connection tab 1-14	
	н
D	HEADER argument 1-7
data	header data 1-7
default 1-7	header fields 1-7
field 1-9	historical data 1-11
header 1-7	HISTORY argument 1-11
historical 1-11	hyperfeed 2-18
time series 1-10	
Data tab 1-16	
Datafeed dialog box 1-14	I
default data 1-7	idc $oldsymbol{2-25}$
dftool 1-14	IP address 1-4
disconnecting 1-6	isconnection $1 ext{-}4$
	Bloomberg 2-11
	FT Interactive Data 2-26
F	hyperfeed 2-19
fetch $1 ext{-}7$	yahoo 2-33
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