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## Description

Limit order book analytics.

## Main functionality

- Limit order book event processing.
- Visualise order book state and market impacts.
- Order book reconstruction and analysis.

## Data processing

The main focus of this package is reconstruction of a limit order book. The [processData](#) function will perform data processing based on a supplied CSV file, the schema of which is defined in the [processData](#) function documentation. Example preprocessed limit order data are also provided (see [lob.data](#)) which has been derived from the example raw data provided the inst/extdata directory.

The data processing consists of a number of stages:

- Cleaning of duplicate and erroneous data.
- Identification of sequential event relationships.
- Inference of trade events via order-matching.
- Inference of order types (limit vs market).
- Construction of volume by price level series.
- Construction of order book summary statistics.

Limit order events are related to one another by *volume deltas* (the change in volume for a limit order). To simulate a matching-engine, and thus determine directional trade data, volume deltas from both sides of the limit order book are ordered by time, yielding a sequence alignment problem, to which the the **Needleman-Wunsch** algorithm has been applied.

## Visualisation

The package provides a number of functions for the visualisation of limit order events and order book liquidity. The visualisations all make use of the **ggplot2** plotting system:

**plotTimeSeries** General time series plotting.

**plotTrades** Plot `trades` data.

**plotCurrentDepth** Visualise the *shape* of an `orderBook`.

**plotPriceLevels** Visualise volume by price level through time.

**plotVolumePercentiles** Visualise order book liquidity through time.

**plotEventMap** Visualise sequential limit order events by price level.

**plotVolumeMap** Visualise sequential limit order events by volume.

**plotEventsHistogram** Convenience function.

The `plotPriceLevels` visualisation is designed to show the *ebb and flow* of limit order volume at all price levels including the interplay between the bid/ask spread. It is possible to identify interesting market participant behaviour and to visualise market shocks and resilience with this function.

The `plotEventMap` function is useful for studying systematic market participant behaviour. Interesting sequential patterns can be observed in this visualisation as algorithms react to various market events by repositioning orders.

The `plotVolumeMap` function shows a visualisation of cancelled volume through time. It is possible to identify and filter out individual trading algorithms from this graph.

The `plotVolumePercentiles` visualisation is inspired by the size map chart included in many articles from **Nanex research** and is intended to show available market liquidity.

In all visualisations it is possible to filter the data by time, price and volume.

## Analysis

In addition to the generated `lob.data` which are intended to be used as a basis for further research, the package currently provides a limited set of trade and order book analysis functions:

**filterDepth** Filter `depth` data by time period.

**getSpread** Extract the bid/ask quotes from the `depth.summary` data.

**orderBook** Reconstruct a Limit order book from `events` data.

**tradeImpacts** Group `trades` into individual impact events.

Additional functionality will be added to the package in the future.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

<http://parasec.net/transmission/order-book-visualisation>

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depth

*Depth.*

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**Description**

Price level depth (liquidity) through time.

**Format**

A data.frame consisting of the following fields:

**timestamp** Time at which volume was added or removed.

**price** Order book price level.

**volume** Amount of remaining volume at this price level.

**side** The side of the price level: *bid* or *ask*.

**Details**

The depth data.frame describes the amount of available volume for all price levels in the limit order book through time. Each row corresponds to a limit order event, in which volume has been added or removed.

**Author(s)**

phil

**See Also**

Other Limit order book data: [depth.summary](#), [events](#), [trades](#)

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`depth.summary`*Depth summary.*

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**Description**

Limit order book summary statistics.

**Format**

A data.frame consisting of the following fields:

**timestamp** Local timestamp corresponding to [events](#).

**best.bid.price** Best bid price.

**best.bid.vol** Amount of volume available at the best bid.

**bid.vol25:500bps** The amount of volume available for 20 25bps percentiles below the best bid.

**best.ask.price** The best ask price.

**best.ask.vol** Amount of volume available at the best ask.

**ask.vol25:500bps** The amount of volume available for 20 25bps percentiles above the best ask.

**Details**

Various summary statistics describing the state of the order book after every limit order event. The metrics are intended to quantify the *shape* of the order book through time.

**Author(s)**

phil

**See Also**

Other Limit order book data: [depth](#), [events](#), [trades](#)

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`events`*Limit order events.*

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**Description**

A data.frame containing the lifecycle of limit orders.

**Format**

A data.frame consisting of the following fields:

**event.id** Event ID.

**id** Limit Order ID.

**timestamp** Local timestamp for order update (create/modify/delete).

**exchange.timestamp** Exchange order creation time.

**price** Limit order price level.

**volume** Remaining limit order volume.

**action** Event action: created, changed, deleted.

**direction** Order book side: bid, ask.

**fill** For changed or deleted events, indicates the change in volume.

**matching.event** Matching event . id if this event is part of a trade. NA otherwise.

**type** Limit order type (see *Event types* below.)

**aggressiveness.bps** The distance of the order from the edge of the book in Basis Points (BPS).

Each limit order *type* has been categorised as follows:

**unknown** It was not possible to infer the order type given the available data.

**flashed-limit** Order was created then subsequently deleted. 96% of example data.

**resting-limit** Order was created and left in order book indefinitely until filled.

**market-limit** Order was partially filled before landing in the order book at it's limit price.

**market** Order was completely filled and did not come to rest in the order book.

**pacman** A limit-price modified *in situ* (exchange algorithmic order).

**Details**

The purpose of this table is to keep account of the lifecycle of all orders in both sides of the limit order book. The lifecycle of an individual limit order follows a sequence of events:

**created** The order is created with a specified amount of volume and a limit price.

**changed** The order has been partially filled. On each modification, the remaining volume will decrease.

**deleted** The order may be deleted at the request of the trader or, in the event that the order has been completely filled, deleted by the exchange. An order deleted by the exchange as a result of being filled will have 0 remaining volume at time of deletion.

**Author(s)**

phil

**See Also**

Other Limit order book data: [depth.summary](#), [depth](#), [trades](#)

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filterDepth	<i>Filter price level volume.</i>
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### Description

Given depth data calculated by `priceLevelVolume`, filter between a specified time range. The resulting data will contain price level volume which is active only within the specified time range.

### Usage

```
filterDepth(d, from, to)
```

### Arguments

d	depth data.
from	Beginning of range.
to	End of range.

### Details

For price levels with volume > 0 before the time range starts, timestamps will be set to the supplied from parameter.

For volume > 0 after the time range ends, timestamps will be set to the supplied to parameter and volume set to 0.

For example, the following data taken from `priceLevelVolume` for price level 243.29 shows the available volume through time at that price level between 00:52:37.686 and 03:28:49.621.

timestamp	price	volume	side
2015-05-01 00:52:37.686	243.29	911500000	ask
2015-05-01 01:00:36.243	243.29	862200000	ask
2015-05-01 02:45:43.052	243.29	0	ask
2015-05-01 02:52:24.063	243.29	614700000	ask
2015-05-01 02:52:51.413	243.29	0	ask
2015-05-01 02:53:13.904	243.29	952300000	ask
2015-05-01 03:28:49.621	243.29	0	ask

applying `filterDepth` to this data for a time range between 02:45 and 03:00 will result in the following:

timestamp	price	volume	side
2015-05-01 02:45:00.000	243.29	862200000	ask
2015-05-01 02:45:43.052	243.29	0	ask
2015-05-01 02:52:24.063	243.29	614700000	ask
2015-05-01 02:52:51.413	243.29	0	ask
2015-05-01 02:53:13.904	243.29	952300000	ask

```
2015-05-01 03:00:00.000 243.29 0 ask
```

Note that the timestamps at the beginning and end of the table have been *clamped* to the specified range and the volume set to 0 at the end.

### Value

Filtered depth data.

### Author(s)

phil

### Examples

```
# obtain price level volume for a 15 minute window.
filtered <- with(lob.data, filterDepth(depth,
  from=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 02:45:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  to=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 03:00:00.000", tz="UTC")))

# top 5 most active price levels during this 15 minute window.
head(sort(tapply(filtered$volume, filtered$price, length),
  decreasing=TRUE), 5)

# extract available volume for price level 233.78, then plot it.
level.233.78 <- filtered[filtered$price == 233.78, c("timestamp", "volume")]
plotTimeSeries(level.233.78$timestamp, level.233.78$volume*10^-8)
```

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getSpread

*Get the spread.*

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### Description

Extracts the spread from the depth summary, removing any points in which a change to bid/ask price/volume did not occur.

### Usage

```
getSpread(depth.summary)
```

### Arguments

depth.summary [depth.summary](#) data.



**Details**

The spread (best bid and ask price) will change following a market order or upon the addition/cancellation of a limit order at, or within, the range of the current best bid/ask. A change to the spread that is *not* the result of a market order (an impact/market shock) is known as a *quote*.

The following table shows a market spread between 05:03:22.546 and 05:04:42.957. During this time, the best ask price and volume changes whilst the best bid price and volume remains static.

timestamp	bid.price	bid.vol	ask.price	ask.vol
05:03:22.546	235.45	16235931	235.72	39375160
05:03:24.990	235.45	16235931	235.72	21211607
05:03:25.450	235.45	16235931	235.71	39375160
05:04:15.477	235.45	16235931	235.72	39058160
05:04:16.670	235.45	16235931	235.71	39058160
05:04:42.957	235.45	16235931	235.71	77019160

**Value**

Bid/Ask spread quote data.

**Author(s)**

phil

**Examples**

```
# get the last 25 quotes (changes to the spread).
with(lob.data, tail(getSpread(depth.summary), 25))
```

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loadData

*Load pre-processed data.*

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**Description**

Loads previously saved pre-processed data.

**Usage**

```
loadData(bin.file, ...)
```

**Arguments**

bin.file      File location.  
 ...            [readRDS](#).

**Details**

Convenience function.

**Value**

Limit order, trade and depth data structure [lob.data](#).

**Author(s)**

phil

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
lob.data <- loadData(bin.file="/tmp/lob.data.rds")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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lob.data

*Example limit order book data.*

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**Description**

50,393 limit order events. 482 trades.

**Usage**

```
data(lob.data)
```

**Format**

A list containing 4 data frames as returned by [processData](#)

**Details**

5 hours of limit order book event data obtained from the Bitstamp (bitcoin) exchange on 2015-05-01 (midnight until 5am). The data has been preprocessed with the [processData](#) function.

**Author(s)**

phil

**Source**

<https://www.bitstamp.net/websocket>

**References**

<https://github.com/phil8192/ticker>

**See Also**

[events](#), [trades](#), [depth](#), [depth.summary](#)

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orderBook	<i>Instantaneous limit order book reconstruction.</i>
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### Description

Given a set of [events](#), reconstructs a limit order book for a specific point in time.

### Usage

```
orderBook(events, tp = as.POSIXlt(Sys.time()), tz = "UTC"),
  max.levels = NULL, bps.range = 0, min.bid = 0, max.ask = Inf)
```

### Arguments

events	Limit order <a href="#">events</a> data.frame.
tp	Time point to re-construct order book at.
max.levels	Max number of price levels to return.
bps.range	Max depth to return +- BPS from best bid/ask.
min.bid	Min bid to return.
max.ask	Max ask to return.

### Details

An order book consists of 2 sides: *bids* and *asks*, an example of which is shown below:

	id	price	volume	liquidity	bps
	65613703	236.58	910229141	6341547077	2.11
	65613655	236.56	1320000000	5431317936	1.26
	65613700	236.55	1320000000	4111317936	0.84
	65613698	236.54	1600000000	2791317936	0.42
	65613712	236.53	1191317936	1191317936	0.00
	-	-	-	-	-
	65613225	236.36	16154172	16154172	0.00
	65613681	236.31	200000000	216154172	2.11
	65613220	236.30	100000000	316154172	2.53
	65612978	236.28	100000000	416154172	3.38
	65612388	236.17	100000000	516154172	8.03

### Value

Limit Order Book structure. A list containing 3 fields:

**timestamp** Timestamp the order book was reconstructed for.

**asks** A data.frame containing the Ask side of the order book.

**bids** A data.frame containing the Bid side of the order book.

The *bids* and *asks* data consists of the following:

**id** Limit order Id.

**timestamp** Last modification time to limit order.

**exchange.timestamp** Time at which order was placed in order book.

**price** Limit order price.

**volume** Limit order volume.

**liquidity** Cumulative sum of volume from best bid/ask up until price.

**bps** Distance (in BPS) of order from best bid/ask.

Both the *bids* and *asks* data are ordered by descending price.

### Author(s)

phil

### Examples

```
tp <- as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 04:25:15.342", tz="UTC")
orderBook(lob.data$events, max.levels=5)
```

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plotCurrentDepth	<i>Visualise order book depth at any given point in time.</i>
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### Description

Plots the cumulative volume on each side of the limit order book.

### Usage

```
plotCurrentDepth(order.book, volume.scale = 1, show.quantiles = T,
  show.volume = T)
```

### Arguments

order.book	A limit <code>orderBook</code> structure.
volume.scale	Volume scale factor.
show.quantiles	If true, highlight top 1% highest volume.
show.volume	If true, also show non-cumulative volume.

### Author(s)

phil

**Examples**

```
# get a limit order book for a specific point in time, limited to +- 150bps
# above/below best bid/ask price.
lob <- orderBook(lob.data$events,
  tp=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 04:38:17.429", tz="UTC"), bps.range=150)

# visualise the order book liquidity.
plotCurrentDepth(lob, volume.scale=10^-8)
```

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plotEventMap

*Plot limit order event map.*


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**Description**

Generates a visualisation of limit order events (excluding market and market limit orders).

**Usage**

```
plotEventMap(events, start.time = min(events$timestamp),
  end.time = max(events$timestamp), price.from = NULL,
  price.to = NULL, volume.from = NULL, volume.to = NULL,
  volume.scale = 1)
```

**Arguments**

events	Limit order <a href="#">events</a> data.frame.
start.time	Plot events from this time onward.
end.time	Plot events up until this time.
price.from	Plot events with price levels $\geq$ this value.
price.to	Plot events with price levels $\leq$ this value.
volume.from	Plot events with volume $\geq$ this value relevant to volume.scale
volume.to	Plot events with volume $\leq$ this value relevant to volume scale.
volume.scale	Volume scale factor.

**Details**

- Ask side orders = red.
- Bid side orders = blue.
- Volume of order determines size of circle.
- Opaque = volume was added.
- Transparent = volume was removed.

**Author(s)**

phil

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

# plot all orders
with(lob.data, plotEventMap(events))

## End(Not run)

# 1 hour of activity and re-scale the volume
with(lob.data, plotEventMap(events,
  start.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 03:30:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  end.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 04:00:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  volume.scale=10^-8))

# 15 minutes of activity >= 5 (re-scaled) volume within price range
# $ [220, 245]
with(lob.data, plotEventMap(events,
  start.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 03:30:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  end.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 03:45:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  price.from=220,
  price.to=245,
  volume.from=5,
  volume.scale=10^-8))
```

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plotEventsHistogram *Plot a histogram given event data.*

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**Description**

Convenience function for plotting event price and volume histograms. Will plot ask/bid bars side by side.

**Usage**

```
plotEventsHistogram(events, start.time = min(events$timestamp),
  end.time = max(events$timestamp), val = "volume", bw = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

events	Limit order <a href="#">events</a> data.
start.time	Include event data >= this time.
end.time	Include event data <= this time.
val	"volume" or "price".
bw	Bar width (for price, 0.5 = 50 cent buckets.)

**Author(s)**

phil

**Examples**

```
# necessary columns from event data.
events <- lob.data$events[, c("timestamp", "direction", "price", "volume")]

# re-scale volume (if needed)
events$volume <- events$volume * 10^-8

# histogram of all volume aggregated into 5 unit buckets.
plotEventsHistogram(events[events$volume < 50, ], val="volume", bw=5)

# histogram of 99% of limit prices during a 1 hour time frame.
# bar width set to 0.25: counts are aggregated into 25 cent buckets.
plotEventsHistogram(events[events$price <= quantile(events$price, 0.99)
  & events$price >= quantile(events$price, 0.01), ],
  start.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 02:15:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  end.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 03:15:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  val="price", bw=0.25)
```

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plotPriceLevels

*Plot order book price level heat map.*


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**Description**

Produces a visualisation of the limit order book depth through time.

**Usage**

```
plotPriceLevels(depth, spread = NULL, trades = NULL, show.mp = T,
  show.all.depth = F, col.bias = 0.1,
  start.time = head(depth$timestamp, 1),
  end.time = tail(depth$timestamp, 1), price.from = NULL,
  price.to = NULL, volume.from = NULL, volume.to = NULL,
  volume.scale = 1, price.by = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

depth	The order book <a href="#">depth</a> .
spread	Spread to overlay obtained from <a href="#">getSpread</a> .
trades	<a href="#">trades</a> data.
show.mp	If True, spread will be summarised as midprice.
show.all.depth	If True, show resting (and never hit) limit orders.

<code>col.bias</code>	1 = uniform colour spectrum. 0.25 = bias toward 0.25 (more red less blue). <= 0 enables logarithmic scaling.
<code>start.time</code>	Plot depth from this time onward.
<code>end.time</code>	Plot depth up until this time.
<code>price.from</code>	Plot depth with price levels >= this value.
<code>price.to</code>	Plot depth with price levels <= this value.
<code>volume.from</code>	Plot depth with volume >= this value relevant to volume.scale
<code>volume.to</code>	Plot depth with volume <= this value relevant to volume scale.
<code>volume.scale</code>	Volume scale factor.
<code>price.by</code>	The increment for the 'limit price' scale (y)

### Details

The available volume at each price level is colour coded according to the range of volume at all price levels. The colour coding follows the visible spectrum, such that larger amounts of volume appear "hotter" than smaller amounts, where cold = blue, hot = red.

Since the distribution of limit order size exponentially decays, it can be difficult to visually differentiate: most values will appear to be blue. The function provides price, volume and a colour bias range to overcome this.

### Author(s)

phil

### Examples

```
# bid/ask spread.
spread <- with(lob.data, getSpread(depth.summary))

## Not run:

# plot all depth levels, rescaling the volume by 10^-8.
# produce 2 plots side-by-side: second plot contains depth levels with > 50
# units of volume.
p1 <- with(lob.data, plotPriceLevels(depth, spread,
                                     col.bias=0.1,
                                     volume.scale=10^-8))
p2 <- with(lob.data, plotPriceLevels(depth, spread,
                                     col.bias=0.1,
                                     volume.scale=10^-8,
                                     volume.from=50))

library(grid)
pushViewport(viewport(layout=grid.layout(1, 2)))
print(p1, vp=viewport(layout.pos.row=1, layout.pos.col=1))
print(p2, vp=viewport(layout.pos.row=1, layout.pos.col=2))

## End(Not run)
```



```
# zoom into 1 hour of activity, show the spread and directional trades.
with(lob.data, plotPriceLevels(depth, spread, trades,
  start.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 03:25:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  end.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 04:25:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  volume.scale=10^-8))

# zoom in to 15 minutes of activity, show the bid/ask midprice.
with(lob.data, plotPriceLevels(depth, spread,
  show.mp=FALSE,
  start.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 03:30:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  end.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 03:45:00.000", tz="UTC")))
```

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plotTimeSeries      *General purpose time series plot.*

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## Description

Convenience function for plotting time series.

## Usage

```
plotTimeSeries(timestamp, series, start.time = min(timestamp),
  end.time = max(timestamp), title = "time series",
  y.label = "series")
```

## Arguments

timestamp	POSIXct timestamps.
series	The time series.
start.time	Plot from this time onward.
end.time	Plot up until this time.
title	Plot title.
y.label	Y axis label of the plot.

## Author(s)

phil

## Examples

```
# plot trades.
with(lob.data$trades, plotTimeSeries(timestamp, price))

# plot a general time series.
timestamp <- seq(as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 00:00:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 00:59:00.000", tz="UTC"), by=60)
series <- rep(1:10, 6)
```

```
plotTimeSeries(timestamp, series)
```

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plotTrades	<i>plotTrades.</i>
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### Description

A convenience function for plotting the trades data.frame in a nice way.

### Usage

```
plotTrades(trades, start.time = min(trades$timestamp),
           end.time = max(trades$timestamp))
```

### Arguments

trades	trades data.
start.time	Plot from.
end.time	Plot to.

### Author(s)

phil

### Examples

```
with(lob.data, plotTrades(trades))
```

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plotVolumeMap	<i>Visualise flashed-limit order volume.</i>
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### Description

Plots the points at which volume was added or removed from the limit order book.

### Usage

```
plotVolumeMap(events, action = "deleted", type = c("flashed-limit"),
              start.time = min(events$timestamp), end.time = max(events$timestamp),
              price.from = NULL, price.to = NULL, volume.from = NULL,
              volume.to = NULL, volume.scale = 1, log.scale = F)
```

**Arguments**

events	Limit order <a href="#">events</a> data.frame.
action	"deleted" for cancelled volume, "added" for added volume.
type	default = c("flashed-limit"). Set of types.
start.time	Plot events from this time onward.
end.time	Plot events up until this time.
price.from	Plot events with price levels $\geq$ this value.
price.to	Plot events with price levels $\leq$ this value.
volume.from	Plot events with volume $\geq$ this value relevant to volume.scale
volume.to	Plot events with volume $\leq$ this value relevant to volume scale.
volume.scale	Volume scale factor.
log.scale	If true, plot volume on logarithmic scale.

**Details**

A flashed limit-order is a "fleeting" limit order: an order was added, then removed (usually within a very short period of time). This plot is especially useful for identifying individual trading algorithms by price and volume.

**Author(s)**

phil

**Examples**

```
# plot all fleeting limit order volume using logarithmic scale.
with(lob.data, plotVolumeMap(events, volume.scale=10^-8, log.scale=TRUE))

# "fleeting" order volume within 1 hour range up until 10 units of volume.
with(lob.data, plotVolumeMap(events, volume.scale=10^-8,
  start.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 02:30:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  end.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 03:30:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  volume.to=10))
```

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plotVolumePercentiles *Visualise available limit order book liquidity through time.*

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**Description**

Plots the available volume in 25bps increments on each side of the order book in the form of a stacked area graph.

**Usage**

```
plotVolumePercentiles(depth.summary,
  start.time = head(depth.summary$timestamp, 1),
  end.time = tail(depth.summary$timestamp, 1), volume.scale = 1,
  perc.line = T, side.line = T)
```

**Arguments**

```
depth.summary  depth.summary data.
start.time     Plot events from this time onward.
end.time       Plot events up until this time.
volume.scale   Volume scale factor.
perc.line      If true, separate percentiles with subtle line.
side.line      If true, separate bid/ask side with subtle line.
```

**Details**

The top of the graph depicts the ask side of the book, whilst the bottom depicts the bid side. Percentiles and order book sides can be separated by an optional subtle line for improved legibility.

**Author(s)**

```
phil
```

**Examples**

```
# visualise 2 hours of order book liquidity.
# data will be aggregated to minute-by-minute resolution.
plotVolumePercentiles(lob.data$depth.summary,
  start.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 02:30:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  end.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 04:30:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  volume.scale=10^-8)

## Not run:

# visualise 15 minutes of order book liquidity.
# data will be aggregated to second-by-second resolution.
plotVolumePercentiles(lob.data$depth.summary,
  start.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 04:30:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  end.time=as.POSIXct("2015-05-01 04:35:00.000", tz="UTC"),
  volume.scale=10^-8)

## End(Not run)
```

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processData	<i>Import CSV file.</i>
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### Description

Imports and performs preprocessing of limit order data contained in a CSV.

### Usage

```
processData(csv.file, price.digits = 2, volume.digits = 8)
```

### Arguments

csv.file	Location of CSV file to import
price.digits	an integer indicating the number of decimal places in 'price' column of the CSV file
volume.digits	an integer indicating the number of decimal places in 'volume' column of the CSV file

### Details

The CSV file is expected to contain 7 columns:

**id** Numeric limit order unique identifier

**timestamp** Time in milliseconds when event received locally

**exchange.timestamp** Time in milliseconds when order first created on the exchange

**price** Price level of order event. It will be rounded by `round(price, price.digits)`

**volume** Remaining order volume. It will be rounded by `round(price, volume.digits)`

**action** Event type (see below)

**direction** Side of order book (bid or ask)

*action* describes the limit order life-cycle:

**created** The limit order has been created

**modified** The limit order has been modified (partial fill)

**deleted** The limit order was deleted. If the remaining volume is 0, the order has been filled.

An example dataset returned from this function can be seen in [lob.data](#) which is the result of processing the example data included in the `inst/extdata` directory of this package.

### Value

A list containing 4 data frames:

**events** Limit order events.

**trades** Inferred trades (executions).

**depth** Order book price level depth through time.

**depth.summary** Limit order book summary statistics.

**Author(s)**

phil

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
csv.file <- system.file("extdata", "orders.csv.xz", package="obAnalytics")  
lob.data <- processData(csv.file)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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`saveData`*Save processed data.*

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**Description**

Saves processed data to file.

**Usage**

```
saveData(lob.data, bin.file, ...)
```

**Arguments**

<code>lob.data</code>	<code>lob.data</code> data structure.
<code>bin.file</code>	File to save to.
<code>...</code>	<code>saveRDS</code> .

**Details**

Convenience function.

**Author(s)**

phil

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
saveData(lob.data, bin.file="/tmp/lob.data.rds", compress="xz")  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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tradeImpacts	<i>Trade impacts.</i>
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### Description

Generates a data.frame containing order book impacts.

### Usage

```
tradeImpacts(trades)
```

### Arguments

trades            [trades](#) data.

### Details

An impact consists of 1 or more limit orders being hit in order to fulfil a market order.

### Value

A data.frame containing a summary of market order impacts:

**id** market order id  
**min.price** minimum executed price  
**max.price** maximum executed price  
**vwap** VWAP obtained by market order  
**hits** number of limit orders hit by market order  
**vol** total volume removed by this impact  
**start.time** (local) start time of this impact  
**end.time** (local) end time of this impact  
**dir** direction of this impact (buy or sell)

### Author(s)

phil

### Examples

```
# get impacts data.frame from trades data.
impacts <- tradeImpacts(lob.data$trades)

# impacts (in bps)
sell.bps <- with(impacts[impacts$dir == "sell", ], {
  (max.price-min.price)/max.price
})
10000*summary(sell.bps[sell.bps > 0])
```

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trades	<i>Trades.</i>
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**Description**

Inferred trades (executions).

**Format**

A data.frame consisting of the following fields:

**timestamp** Local event timestamp.

**price** Price at which the trade occurred.

**volume** Amount of traded volume.

**direction** The trade direction: *buy* or *sell*.

**maker.event.id** Corresponding market *making* event id in [events](#).

**taker.event.id** Corresponding market *taking* event id in [events](#).

**maker** Id of the market *making* limit order in [events](#).

**taker** Id of the market *taking* limit order in [events](#).

**Details**

The trades data.frame contains a log of all executions ordered by local timestamp. In addition to the usual timestamp, price and volume information, each row also contains the trade direction (buyer or seller initiated) and maker/taker limit order ids. The maker/taker event and limit order ids can be used to group trades into market impacts. See: [tradeImpacts](#).

**Author(s)**

phil

**See Also**

Other Limit order book data: [depth.summary](#), [depth](#), [events](#)



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