



Advanced Kx for Data Analysis Course Outline

Day 1	
The Basics	An introduction to q. Starting sessions, defining variables etc.
In-built Functions	A review of stored procedures and functions. Also a description of all q key words (dev, wavg, type etc.).
Tables Overview	How to define tables. Differences between keyed and unkeyed tables.
Select Statements	An introduction to SQL-like kdb+ queries.
Table Arithmetic	Applying simple arithmetic operations to tables and dictionaries.
Day 2	
User-defined Functions	Syntax and examples of creating functions and executing them.
Joins	Simple joins between tables and/or dictionaries.
Adverbs	Description of adverbs in the q language and examples of where they are useful.
Functional/Dynamic Queries	Creating a dynamic query. Parsing the text format of a query into functional form.
Day 3	
Basic IPC	A basic introduction to q inter-process communication. Opening sockets. Sending queries and executing remote functions.
Advanced Select Statements	Advanced qSQL queries.
Optimisations and Performance	Discussion on optimising queries for performance reasons.
ODBC	A look at kdb+ in relation to ODBC.
Extracting Data/Language Interfaces	A look at interfacing q with one or more of the standard computer languages (Java, C/C++, C#).