

Financial Time-Series Tools

xts and chartSeries

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Extensible Time-Series

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<http://xts.r-forge.r-project.org>

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Let's start by looking at using xts...

Using xts

- `as.xts()`
- Time-based tools
 - `first()`, `last()`, `[.xts, to.period()]`, and `period.apply()`
- `reclass()`

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first and last

- Provide a time-based equivalent of head() and tail()
- Allow for natural-language subsetting

find the first or last '3 weeks' or '5 months' of a dataset, regardless of underlying periodicity. e.g. last(MSFT, '3 weeks') works as well on minute data as it does on daily.

- Positive and negative indexing

'-3 weeks' returns all data except the first or last 3 weeks.

```
> first(MSFT, '2 weeks')
```

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2007-01-03	29.91	30.25	29.40	29.86	76935100	29.35
2007-01-04	29.70	29.97	29.44	29.81	45774500	29.30
2007-01-05	29.63	29.75	29.45	29.64	44607200	29.13
2007-01-08	29.65	30.10	29.53	29.93	50220200	29.41
2007-01-09	30.00	30.18	29.73	29.96	44636600	29.44
2007-01-10	29.80	29.89	29.43	29.66	55017400	29.15
2007-01-11	29.76	30.75	29.65	30.70	99464300	30.17
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2008-03-03	27.24	27.39	26.87	26.99	76544300	26.99
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2008-03-05	27.75	28.41	27.70	28.12	106433600	28.12
2008-03-06	28.06	28.17	27.50	27.57	91127700	27.57
2008-03-07	27.34	28.07	27.32	27.87	77597600	27.87
2008-03-10	27.83	28.26	27.75	28.05	72175100	28.05
2008-03-11	28.40	29.34	28.38	29.28	98740700	29.28
2008-03-12	29.43	29.49	28.54	28.63	75885400	28.63
2008-03-13	28.54	28.99	28.16	28.62	84552200	28.62
2008-03-14	28.72	29.01	27.64	27.96	105201700	27.96
2008-03-17	27.30	28.73	27.28	28.30	84490100	28.30
2008-03-18	28.67	29.48	28.67	29.42	83323800	29.42
2008-03-19	29.38	29.59	28.62	28.62	61442100	28.62
2008-03-20	28.74	29.22	28.59	29.18	60170200	29.18
2008-03-24	29.33	29.40	29.06	29.17	48294700	29.17
2008-03-25	29.33	29.37	28.94	29.14	49149000	29.14
2008-03-26	29.03	29.07	28.38	28.56	45855300	28.56
2008-03-27	28.48	28.49	28.00	28.05	47688900	28.05
2008-03-28	28.23	28.43	27.83	27.91	49244000	27.91
2008-03-31	27.88	28.59	27.84	28.38	46762400	28.38
2008-04-01	28.83	29.54	28.63	29.50	65774200	29.50

[.xts

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2007-03-02	28.02	28.16	27.76	27.76	63254700	27.38
2007-03-05	27.49	27.91	27.41	27.55	56454300	27.17
2007-03-06	27.80	27.94	27.65	27.83	49361800	27.45
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2007-03-13	27.25	27.40	26.71	26.72	75169500	26.35
2007-03-14	26.82	27.40	26.73	27.40	75730300	27.02
2007-03-15	27.32	27.47	27.20	27.28	51757100	26.90
2007-03-16	27.35	27.48	27.20	27.33	65055300	26.95
2007-03-19	27.34	27.83	27.20	27.83	49412000	27.45
2007-03-20	27.93	28.16	27.76	27.84	47902400	27.46
2007-03-21	27.90	28.52	27.56	28.52	72808200	28.13
2007-03-22	28.52	28.55	28.01	28.27	47934900	27.88

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2007-03-23	28.25	28.22	28.07	28.23	43834800	28.08
2007-03-27	28.00	28.25	28.20	28.25	35808500	28.73
2007-03-28	28.03	28.70	28.30	28.04	43805400	28.40
2007-03-29	28.04	28.00	28.50	28.03	40475000	28.42
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Apr 2007      27.89    30.74    27.56     29.94   958964900         29.53
May 2007      29.94    31.16    29.90     30.69  1327154700         30.36
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Dec 2007      33.50    36.72    32.63     35.60  1064817100         35.46
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YBI 2008      58.83    58.24    58.03    58.20   92334500         58.20
WAI 2008      53.54    58.28    58.83    58.38  7427285800         58.38
LEP 2008      37.00    33.52    33.05    33.50  5353333000         33.50
JOU 2008      32.38    32.80    37.04    35.00  7820307000         35.43
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- to.minutes
- to.hourly
- to.daily
- to.weekly
- to.monthly
- to.quarterly
- to.yearly

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period.apply

Apply *any* function on specified periods.

```
> apply.monthly(MSFT, function(x) { mean(Hi(x)) })
2007-01-31 2007-02-28 2007-03-30 2007-04-30 2007-05-31 2007-06-29 2007-07-31
 30.81300  29.49474  27.92318  28.91900  30.91636  30.35095  30.43667
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reclass and Reclass

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..@ recordIDs : 'data.frame':  0 obs. of  0 variables
..@ title     : chr "Meielisalp2008"
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Indexed by: POSIXct[1:313], format: "2007-01-03" "2007-01-04" "2007-01-05" "2007-01-08" ...
Original class: 'timeSeries'
xts Attributes:
List of 6
 $ format      : chr "%Y-%m-%d"
 $ FinCenter   : chr "GMT"
 $ recordIDs   : 'data.frame':  0 obs. of  0 variables
 $ title      : chr "Meielisalp2008"
 $ documentation: chr "Mon Jun 23 19:42:59 2008"
 $ by         : chr "JA Ryan"
```

Convert to **xts**

reclass and Reclass

```
> str(timeSeries(MSFT, rownames(MSFT), title='Meielisalp2008'))
Formal class 'timeSeries' [package "fSeries"] with 8 slots
..@ Data      : num [1:313, 1:6] 29.9 29.7 29.6 29.6 30.0 ...
.. ..- attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
.. .. ..$ : atomic [1:313] 2007-01-03 2007-01-04 2007-01-05 2007-01-08 ...
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..@ format    : chr "%Y-%m-%d"
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..@ units     : chr [1:6] "MSFT.Open" "MSFT.High" "MSFT.Low" "MSFT.Close" ...
..@ recordIDs : 'data.frame':  0 obs. of  0 variables
..@ title     : chr "Meielisalp2008"
..@ documentation: chr "Mon Jun 23 19:29:22 2008"
```

Start with a **timeSeries**

Return data converted to xts
with as.xts back to its original
class.

```
> str(x <- as.xts(timeSeries(MSFT, rownames(MSFT), title='Meielisalp2008'), by="JA Ryan"))
An 'xts' object from 2007-01-03 to 2008-04-01 containing:
 Data: num [1:313, 1:6] 29.9 29.7 29.6 29.6 30.0 ...
- attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
..$ : chr [1:313] "2007-01-03" "2007-01-04" "2007-01-05" "2007-01-08" ...
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```

Convert to **xts**

xtsAttributes store meta-data

Convert back without losing information using **reclass**

```
> str(reclass(x))
Formal class 'timeSeries' [package "fSeries"] with 8 slots
..@ Data      : num [1:313, 1:6] 29.9 29.7 29.6 29.6 30.0 ...
.. ..- attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
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```

converting back to *timeSeries* from *xts* maintains the original attributes, e.g. **@title** and **@documentation**

as.xts and reclass example

```
> getSymbols("SBUX", return='timeSeries')  
[1] "SBUX"  
>
```

```
> is.timeSeries(SBUX)  
[1] TRUE  
>
```

download a timeSeries of SBUX

as.xts and reclass example

```
> SBUX['2008-06']  
Error in `[.timeSeries`(SBUX, "2008-06") :  
subscript out of bounds
```

attempting to subset xts-style results in an error

as.xts and reclass example

the solution?

```
> x <- as.xts(SBUX) ['2008-06']
> x
```

	SBUX.Open	SBUX.High	SBUX.Low	SBUX.Close	SBUX.Volume	SBUX.Adjusted
2008-06-02	18.17	18.17	17.63	17.93	10877200	17.93
2008-06-03	17.93	18.13	17.40	17.75	13076200	17.75
2008-06-04	17.72	18.34	17.72	18.12	15915400	18.12
2008-06-05	18.15	18.52	18.01	18.52	13662400	18.52
2008-06-06	18.35	18.35	17.64	17.67	12236500	17.67
2008-06-09	17.71	18.20	17.37	17.52	16788400	17.52
2008-06-10	17.33	17.93	17.25	17.84	9761300	17.84
2008-06-11	17.94	17.94	17.55	17.57	11351100	17.57
2008-06-12	17.76	18.06	17.66	17.82	8571900	17.82
2008-06-13	17.95	18.20	17.83	18.17	10910400	18.17
2008-06-16	18.01	18.56	17.89	18.35	8295000	18.35
2008-06-17	18.37	18.47	18.07	18.12	6369500	18.12
2008-06-18	18.00	18.09	17.66	17.77	8452600	17.77
2008-06-19	17.73	18.06	17.38	17.99	9215800	17.99
2008-06-20	17.77	17.82	17.18	17.23	13066200	17.23
2008-06-23	17.26	17.49	16.27	16.30	19602100	16.30
2008-06-24	16.36	16.92	16.25	16.57	12763800	16.57

first convert with **as.xts**

as.xts and reclass example

then reclass back to timeSeries

```
> is.timeSeries(x)
[1] FALSE
> x <- reclass(x)
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xts-style
subsetting on a
timeSeries
object!

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```

Wrapped in **Reclass**, and the result is the original xts class

```
> Reclass(EMA(CI(MSFT)))[1:20]
2007-01-03      NA
2007-01-04      NA
2007-01-05      NA
2007-01-08      NA
2007-01-09      NA
2007-01-10      NA
2007-01-11      NA
2007-01-12      NA
2007-01-16      NA
2007-01-17 30.30300
2007-01-18 30.42973
2007-01-19 30.55341
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2007-01-31 30.64498
```


Developing with xts

Using xts internally to manage time-based data in your own functions and packages.

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which translates to...

- Less code to write and maintain
- Increased reliability and flexibility
- Freedom to focus on core development tasks

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reclass

Convert, if possible, **back** to the original class

... an example?

period.apply using **try.xts** & **reclass**

```
period.apply <-  
function (x, INDEX, FUN, ...)  
{  
  x <- try.xts(x, error = FALSE)  
  FUN <- match.fun(FUN)  
  xx <- sapply(1:(length(INDEX) - 1), function(y) {  
    FUN(x[(INDEX[y] + 1):INDEX[y + 1]], ...)  
  })  
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```

Two simple additions allows the period.apply function to accept, and ultimately return, any class of time-series object. By setting error=FALSE, it is even possible to accept non-xts coercible args. Truly universal data acceptance.

Using `try.xts`

using the incoming data, attempt to convert

```
try.xts(x, ..., error = FALSE)
```



incoming data

Using `try.xts`

add any additional args to `xts` constructor

```
try.xts(x, ..., error = FALSE)
```



passed to `xts()`

Using `try.xts`

`FALSE` means success isn't required

```
try.xts(x, ..., error = FALSE)
```



failure OK?

Using **reclass**

first argument - result of internal calculations

```
reclass(xx, match.to=x)
```

the result before converting



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```
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the `match.to` argument is the template for re-indexing as an xts object.

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```

try.xts

Attempt to convert to xts, if not possible - continue on.
In this case, it isn't necessary that we have an xts object,
it is only to provide the user with a seamless experience

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main calculations

Proceed with function work. It is important to keep the original x variable untouched, otherwise the data may be lost or corrupted by non-xts aware functions

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```

reclass

xx is the result of the function call, before attempting the reclass. In this case the data is shorter than the original, and must be modified for reclass to work correctly.

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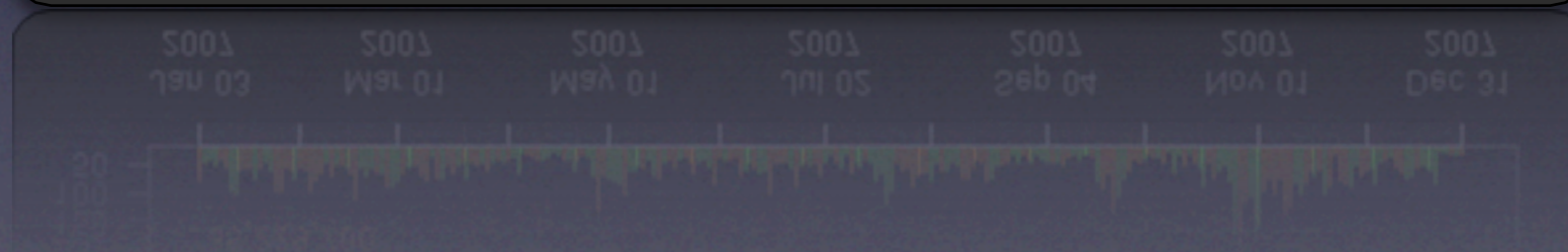
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Now on to quantmod and charts!

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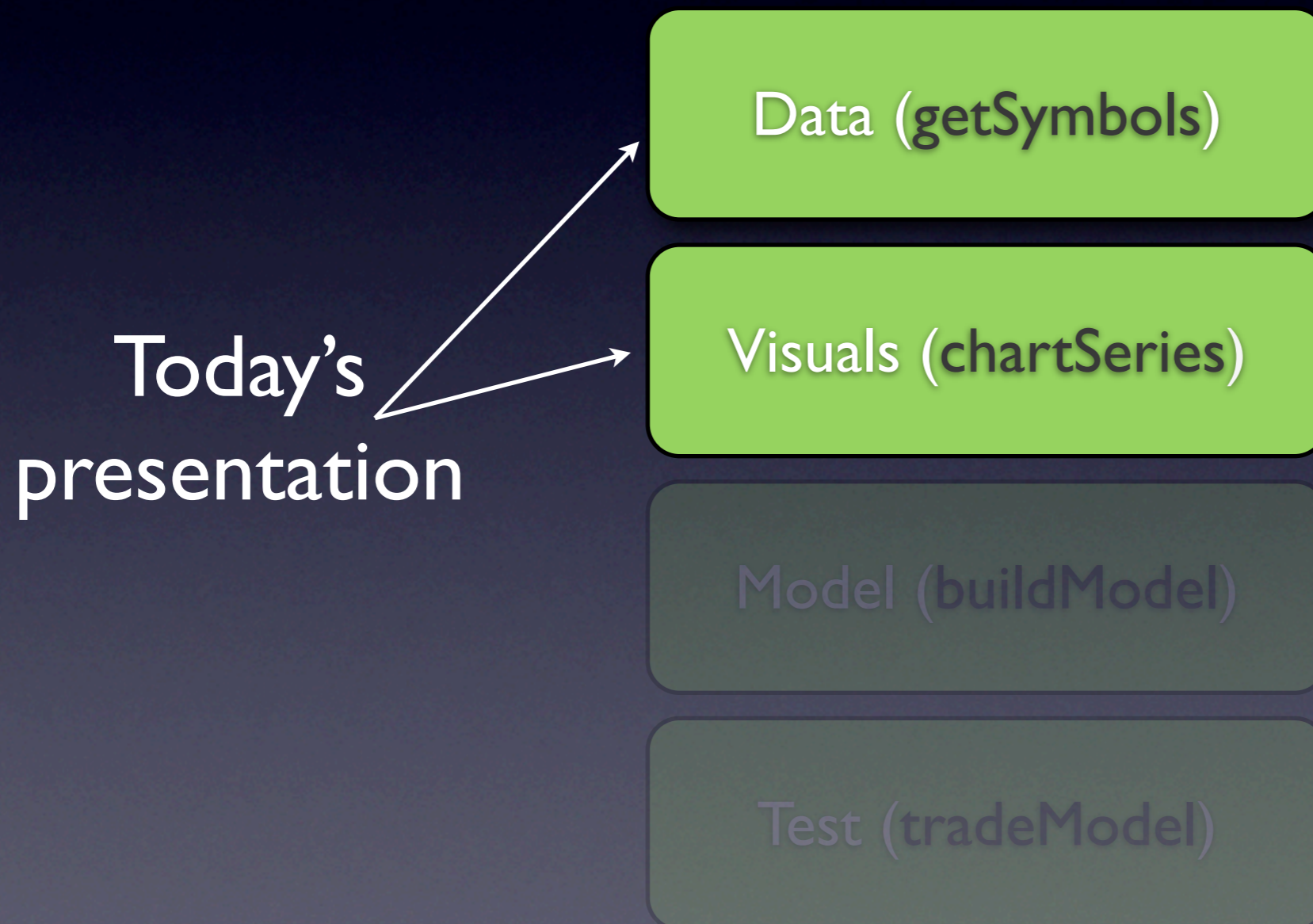
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Single Data Interface

getSymbols

- One wrapper function for all data sources
- Extensible by simple naming convention
- `auto.assign` into specified environment
- Settable return class

getSymbols

oanda	FRED (Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis)	RData/rda
Yahoo! Finance	Google Finance	MySQL
SQLite	csv	IBrokers

getSymbols

```
getSymbols("SBUX", src = 'yahoo')
```



```
getSymbols.yahoo
```


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```



```
getSymbols.yahoo
```

Simple to extend to other data sources

Example 1

Download data from Yahoo!

Specify src = "yahoo" to `getSymbols` call

```
> getSymbols("YH00", src="yahoo")
[1] "YH00"
> head(YH00)
      YH00.Open YH00.High YH00.Low YH00.Close YH00.Volume YH00.Adjusted
2007-01-03    25.85    26.26    25.26    25.61    26352700    25.61
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```


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Download data from Yahoo!

Specify src = "yahoo" to `getSymbols` call

```
> getSymbols("YH00", src="yahoo")
[1] "YH00"
> head(YH00)
      YH00.Open YH00.High YH00.Low YH00.Close YH00.Volume YH00.Adjusted
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`showSymbols` returns information on what has been loaded

```
> showSymbols()
YH00
"yahoo"
```


Example II

Download from **FRED** and **Google** in one call

Use **setSymbolLookup** to change default source for certain symbols

```
> setSymbolLookup(DEXJPUS=list(src='FRED'),YH00=list(src='google'))  
> getSymbols("DEXJPUS;YH00")  
[1] "DEXJPUS" "YH00"  
> █
```


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>
```

loads...

JPY/USD

```
> head(DEXJPUS)
      DEXJPUS
1971-01-04 357.73
1971-01-05 357.81
1971-01-06 357.86
1971-01-07 357.87
1971-01-08 357.82
1971-01-11 357.95
>
```

*from Federal Reserve Bank
of St. Louis FRED*

YHOO

```
> head(YHOO)
      YHOO.Open YHOO.High YHOO.Low YHOO.Close YHOO.Volume
2007-01-03    25.85    26.26    25.26    25.61    26352700
2007-01-04    25.64    26.92    25.52    26.85    32512200
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from Google Finance

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Additional Data Tools

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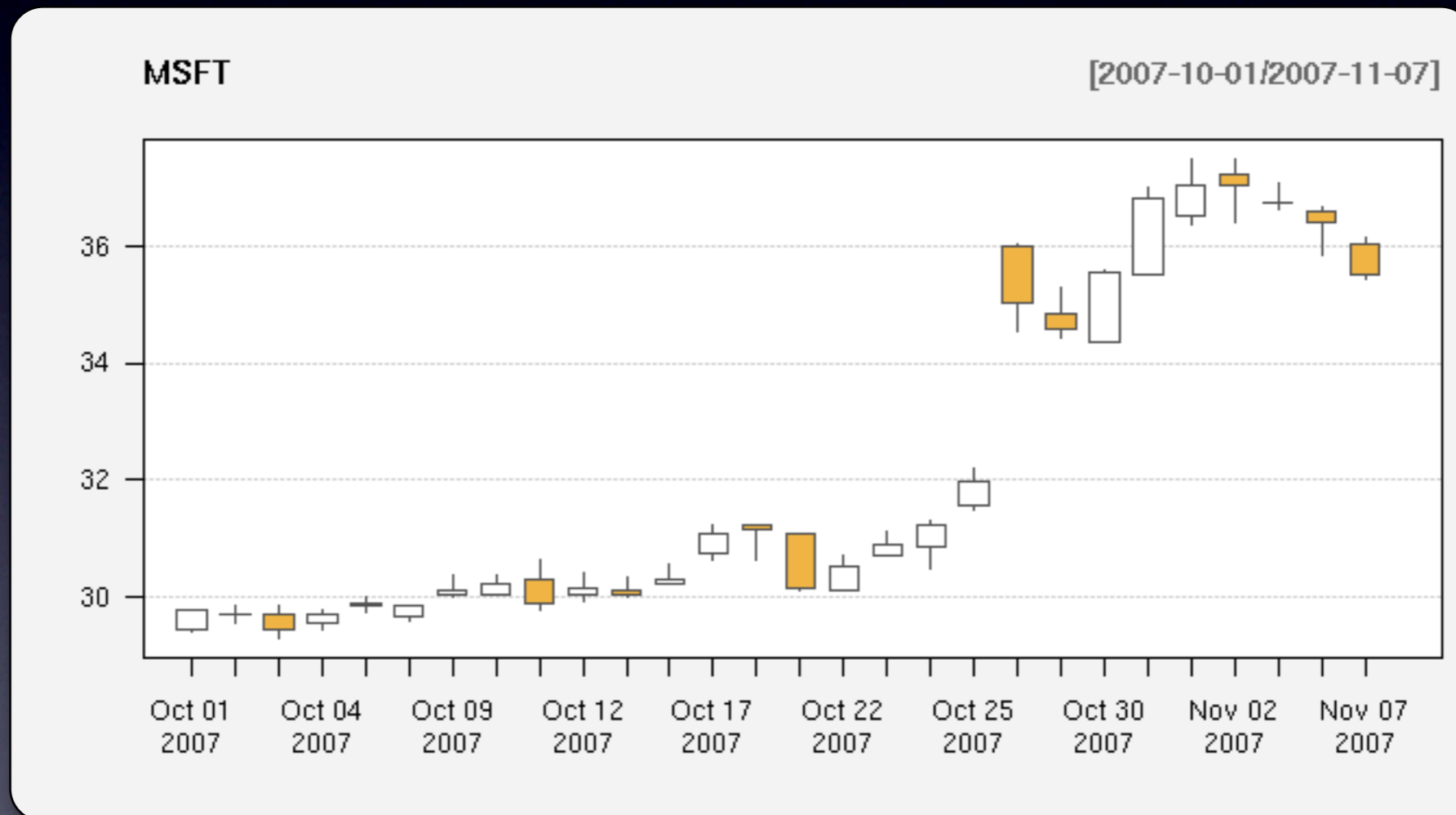
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Now, on to the charts...

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Visualization chartSeries



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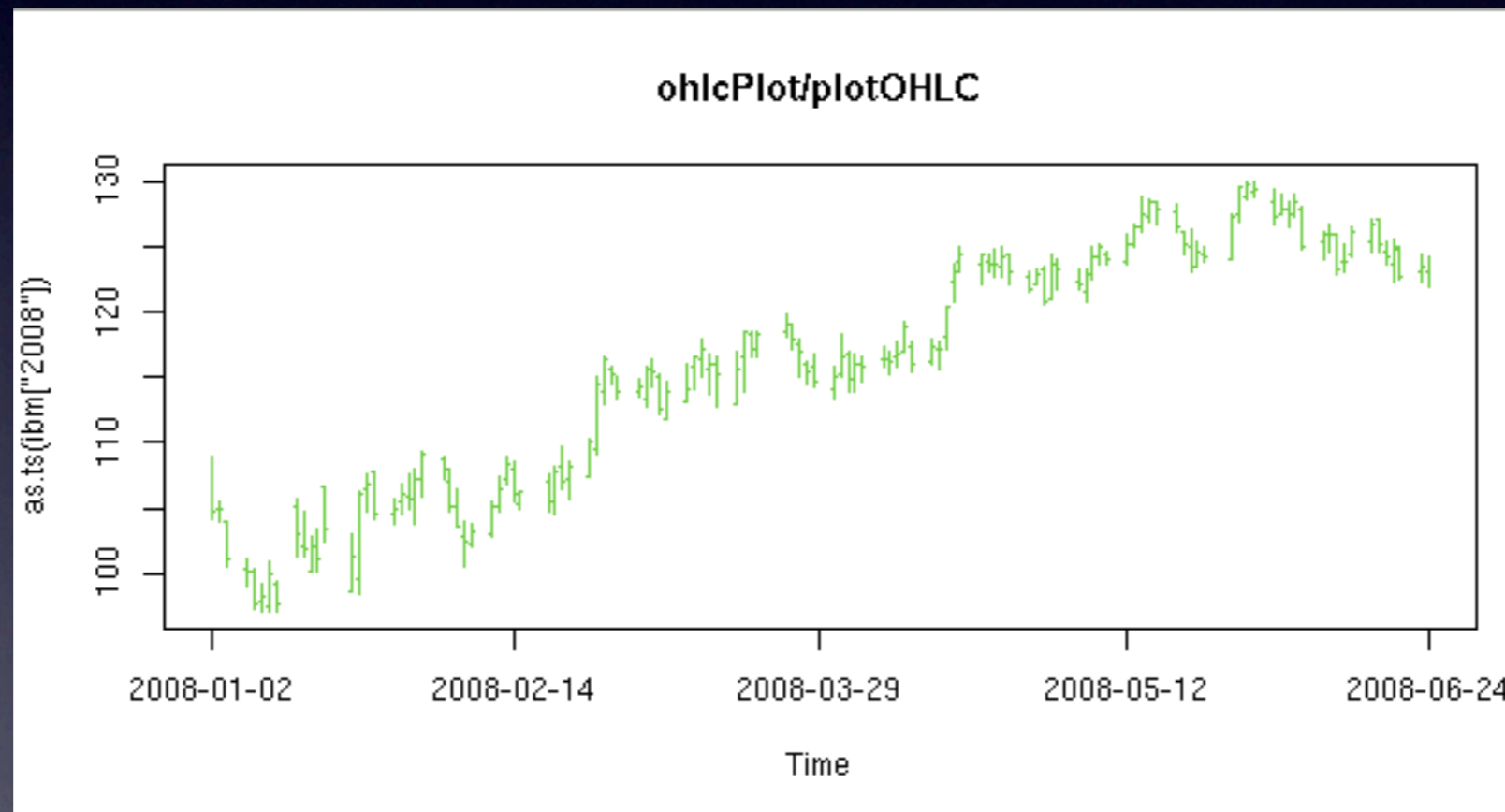
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All useful, but not really *financial* charts

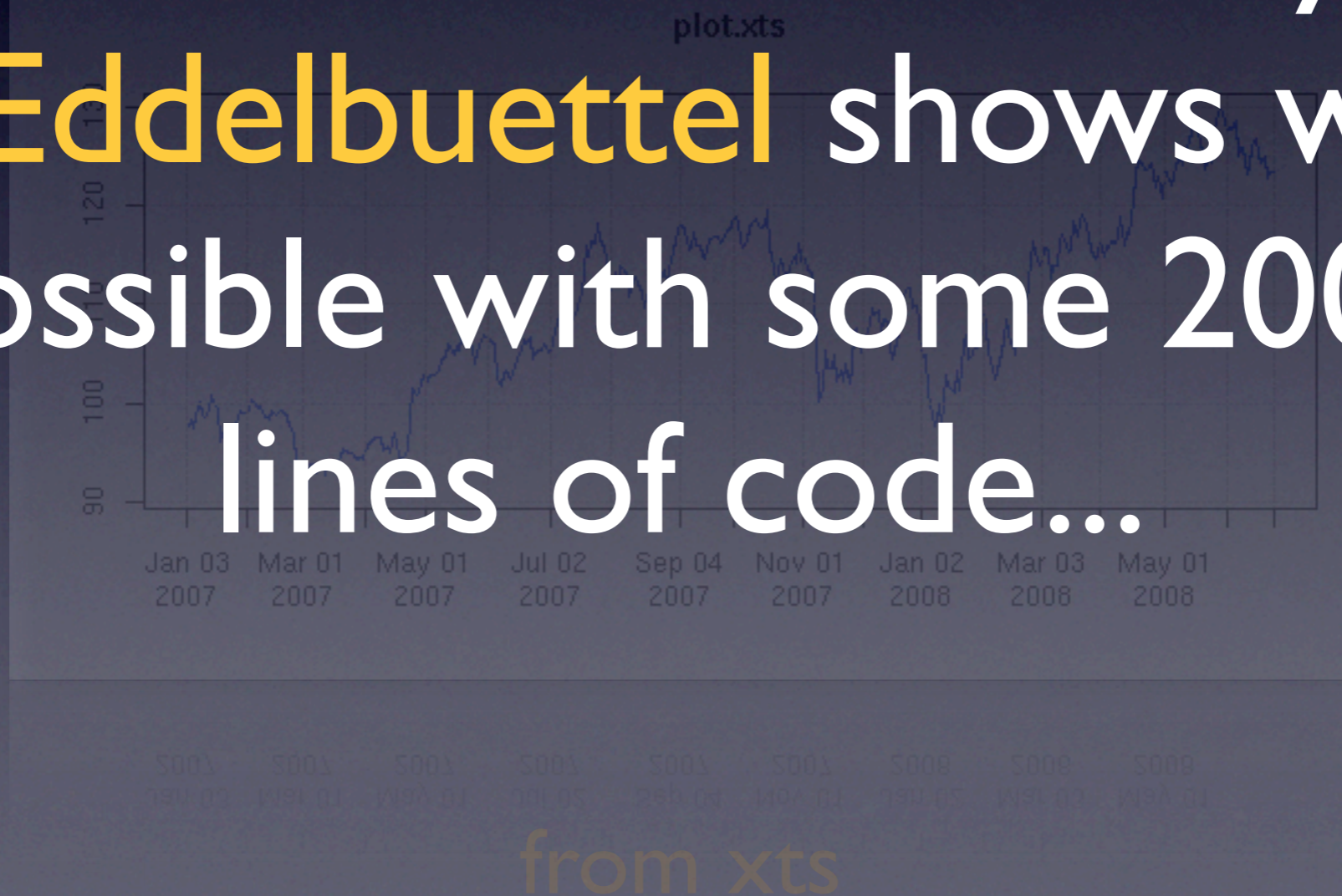


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An example posted to addictedtor.free.fr by

Dirk Eddelbuettel shows what is possible with some 200+ lines of code...



Charting in R



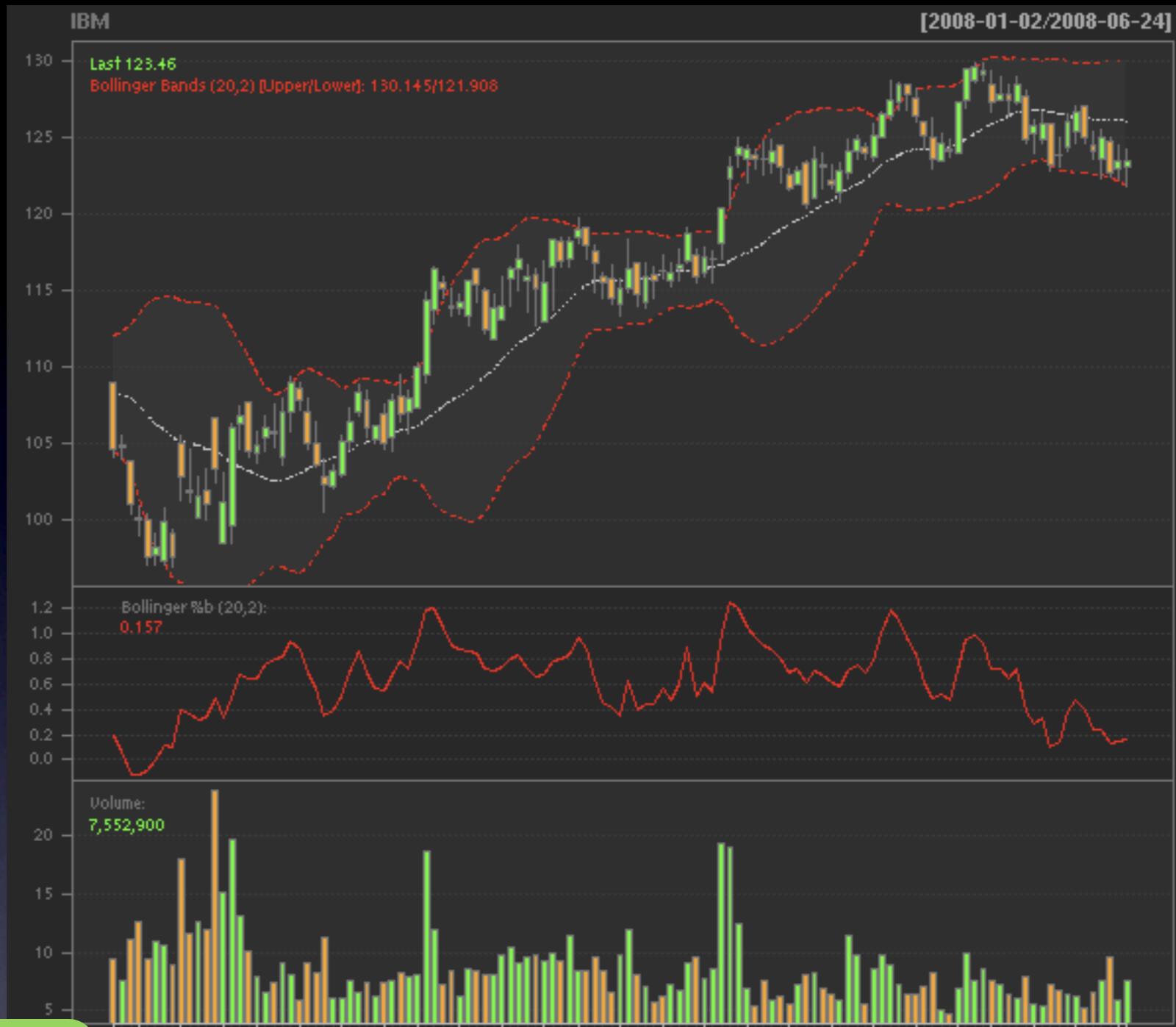
Charting in R

chartSeries makes it easier...





chartSeries(IBM,TA='addBBands();addBBands(draw="p");addVo()',subset='2008')



1 line of code



```
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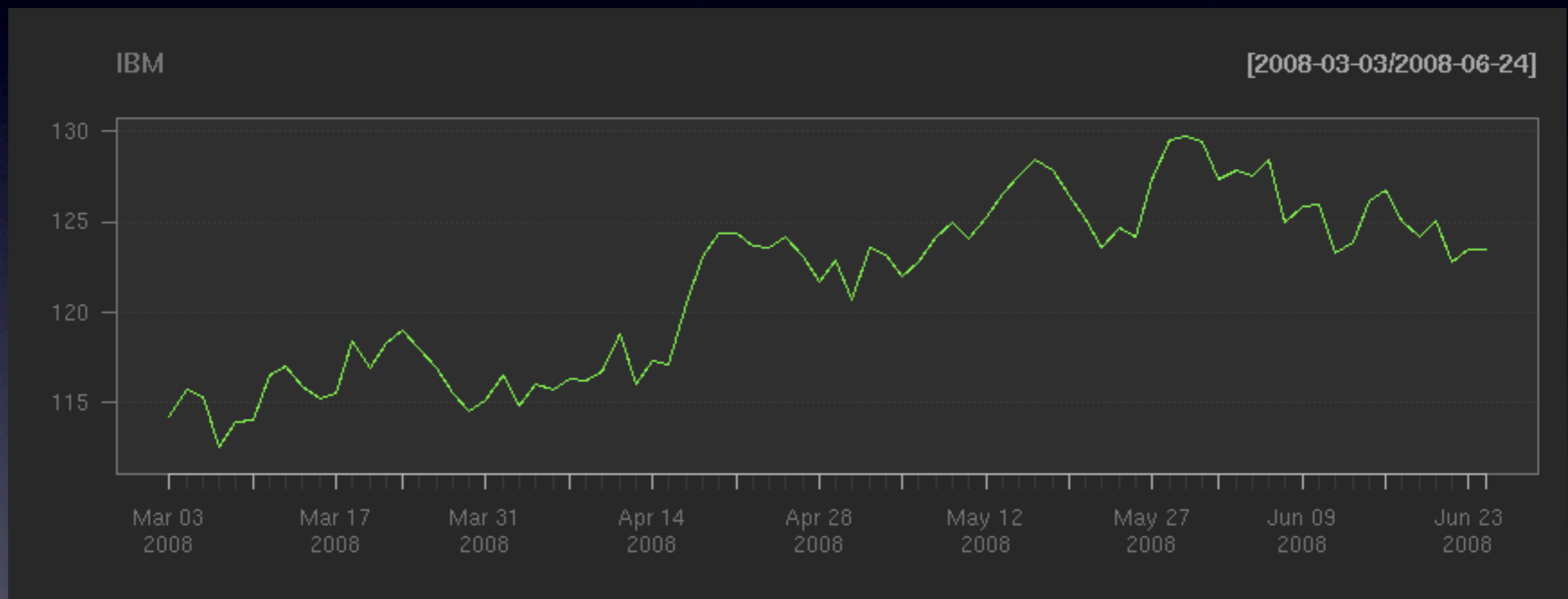
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chartSeries can draw 3 styles of charts

lines



```
lineChart(IBM, subset='last 4 months',TA=NULL)
```


chartSeries can draw 3 styles of charts

ohlc & hlc bars



```
barChart(IBM, subset='last 4 months',TA=NULL)
```


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candlesticks

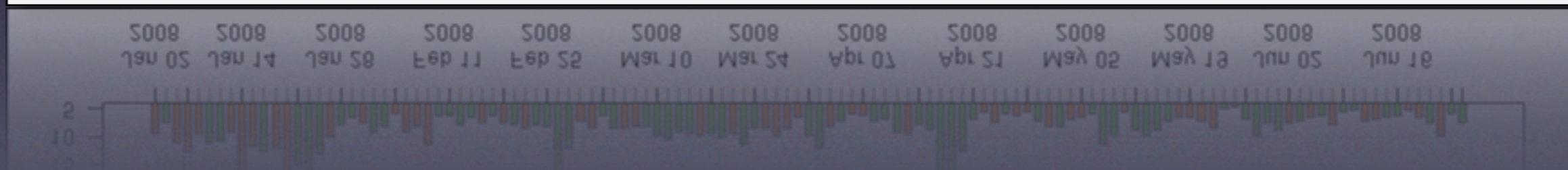


```
candleChart(IBM, subset='last 4 months',TA=NULL)
```

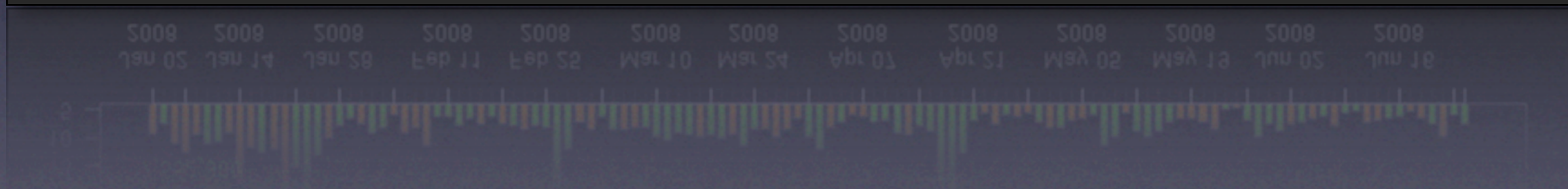

chartTheme

Charts use “themes” to coordinate colors using the **theme** argument to **chartSeries**

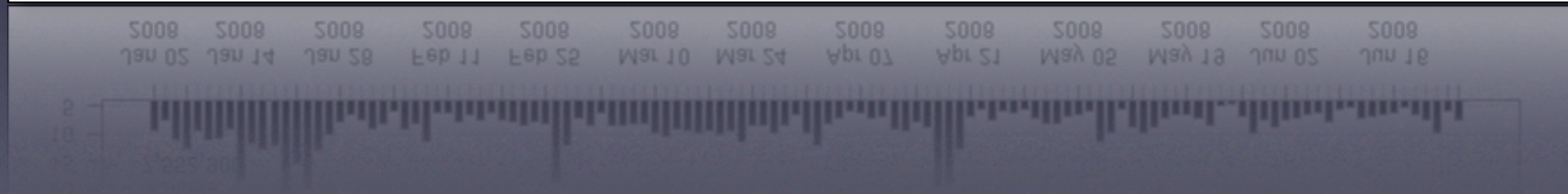
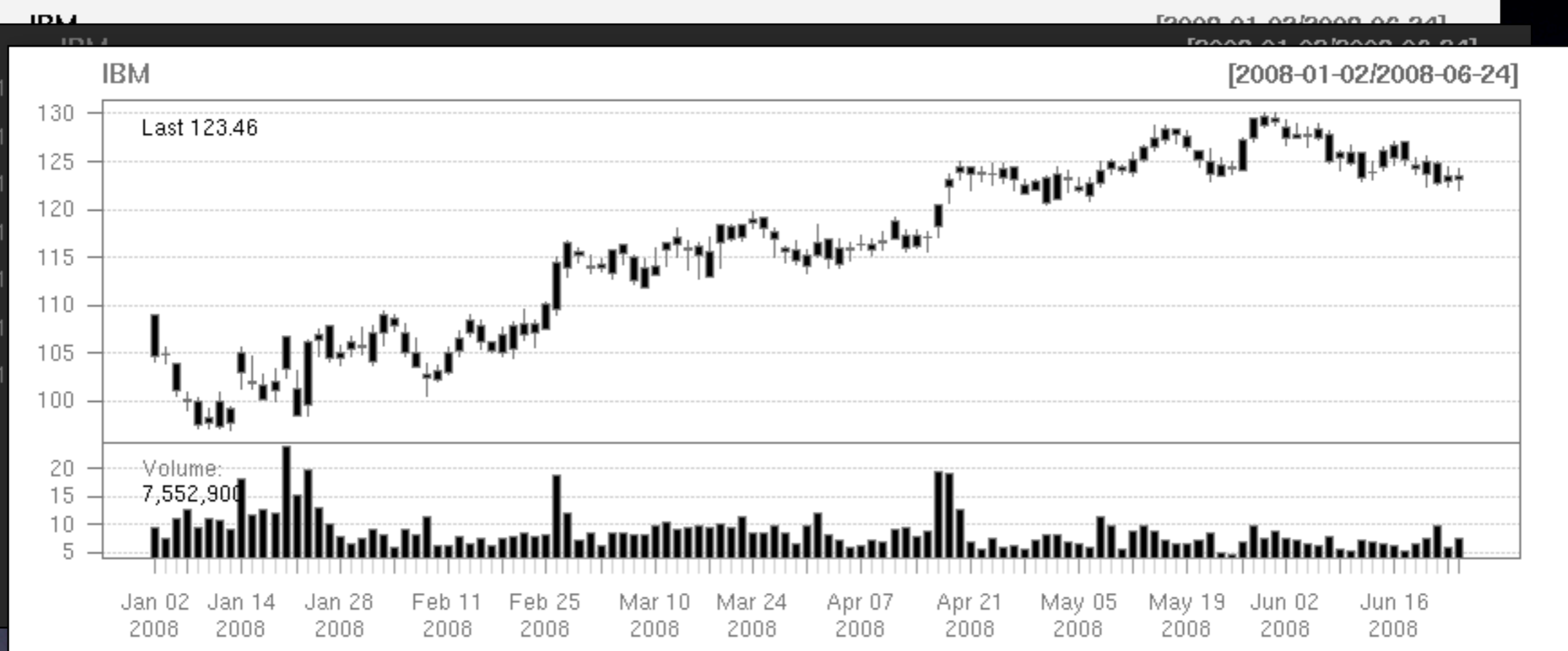
theme = chartTheme("white")



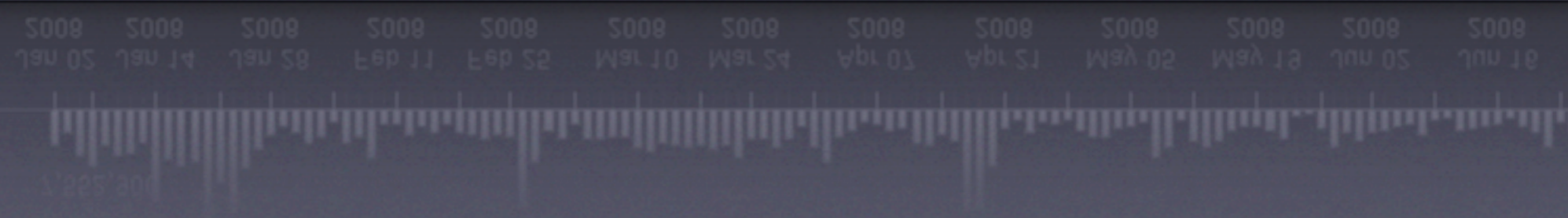
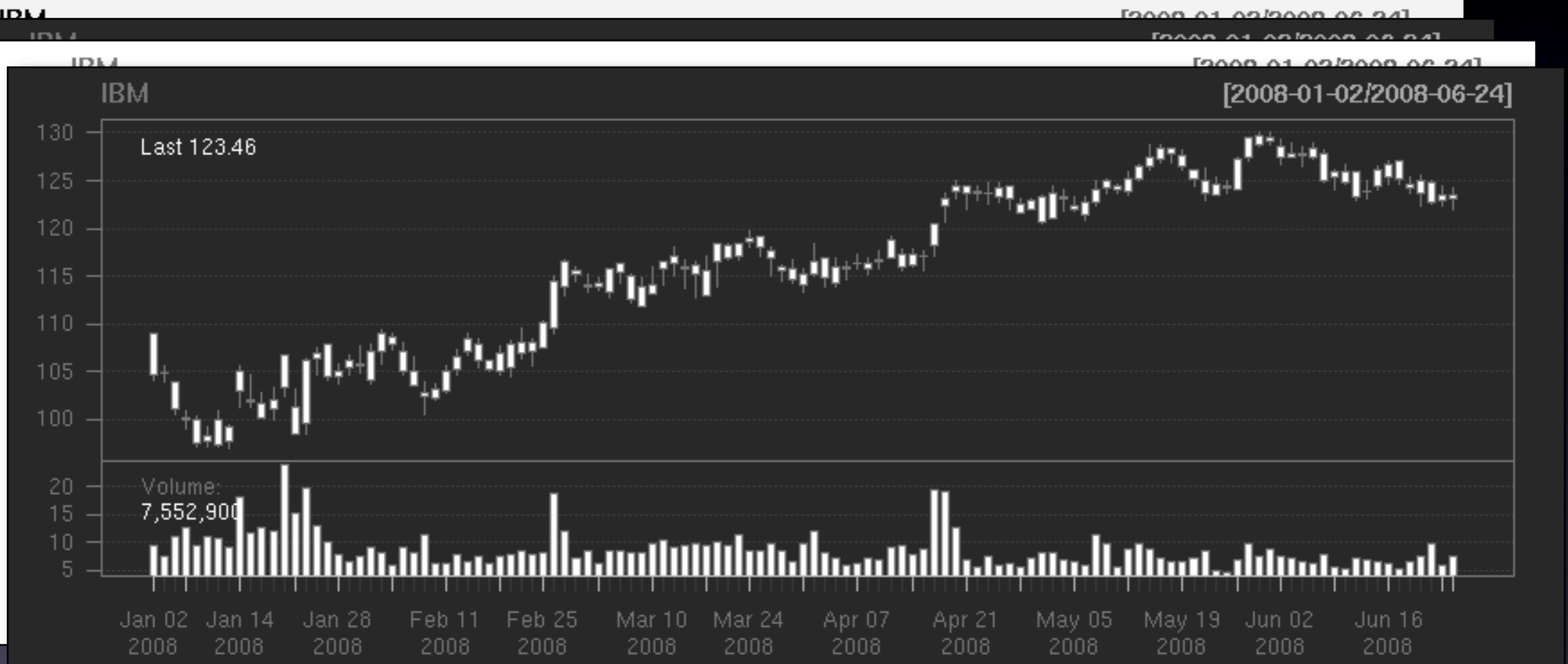
theme = chartTheme("black")



theme = chartTheme("white.mono")



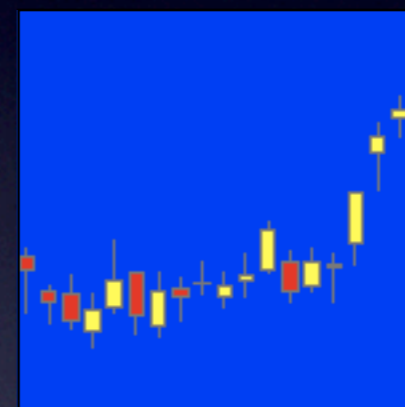
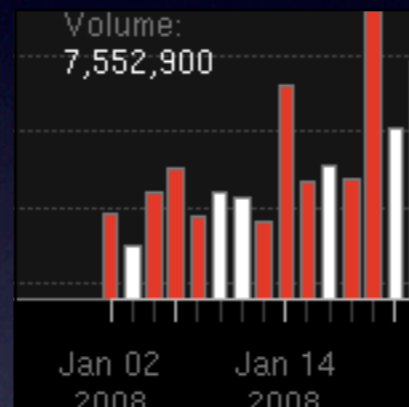
theme = chartTheme("black.mono")



theme = chartTheme("beige")



Easy to modify themes



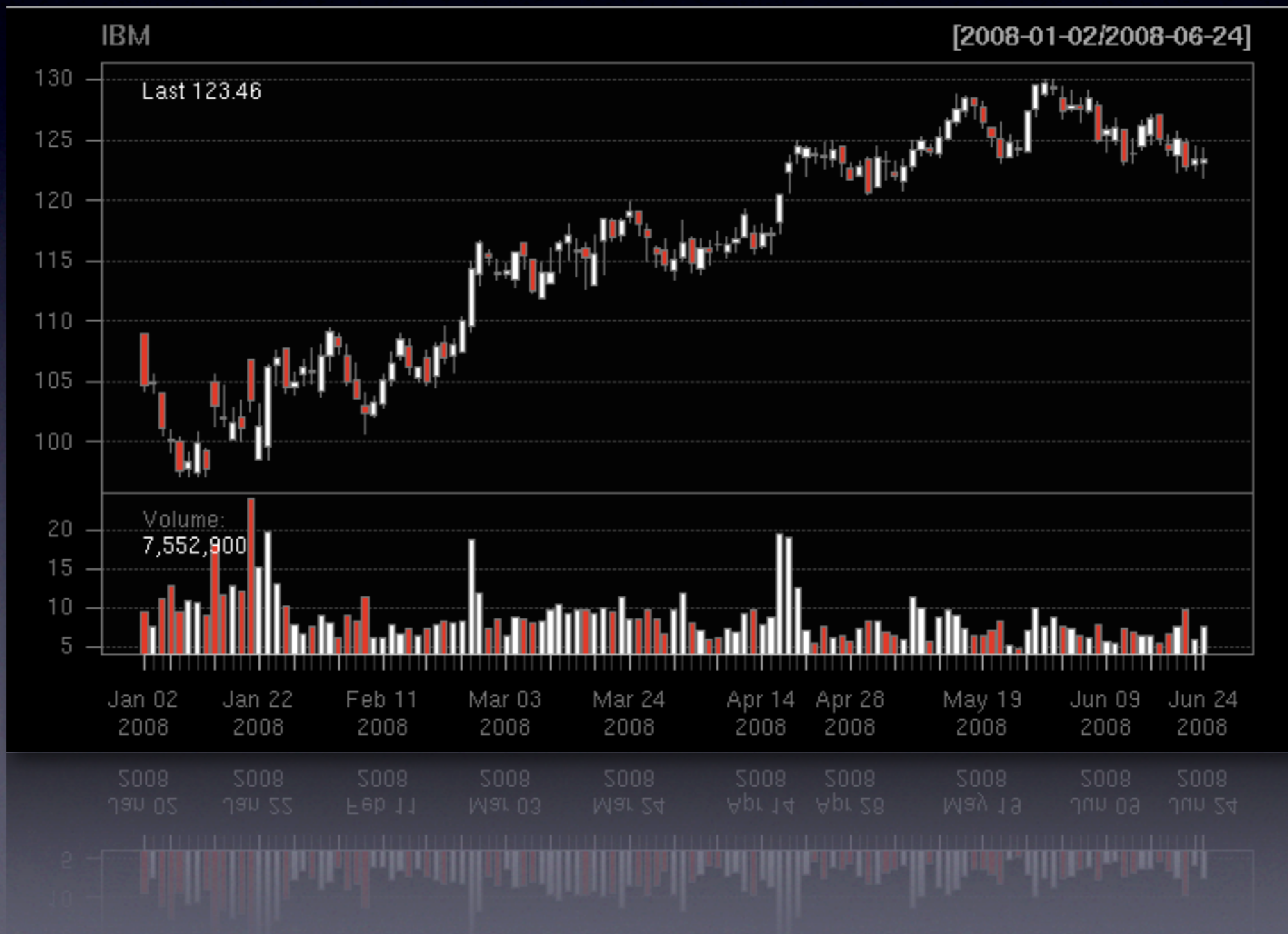

```
> # create a new theme
> blackandred <- chartTheme(up.col='white',dn.col='red',
+ area='#080808',bg.col='#000000')
>
> candleChart(IBM, theme=blackandred, subset='2008')
```



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Modify drawn charts with **reChart**



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```
> reChart(theme='white', type='bars')
```



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Works for most
chartSeries args!



zoomChart

(and zoom)

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Functions to zoom-in and zoom-out
of a chart

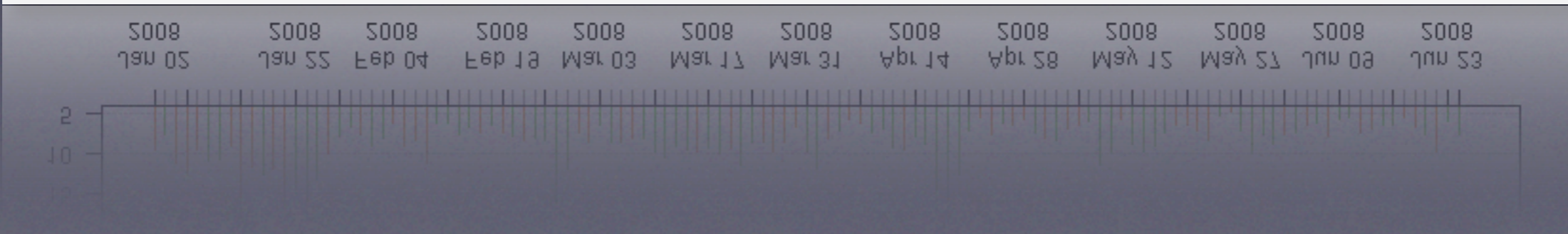
zoomChart (and zoom)

all of 2007



zoomChart (and zoom)

now 2008!



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Works just like subsetting in xts

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Interactively with **addTA** and friends

Adding with TA=

TA stands for (T)echnical (A)nalysis

Built-in TA functionality from quantmod and TTR

addADX	addATR	addBBands
addCCI	addCMF	addCMO
addDEMA	addDPO	addEMA
addEnvelope	addEVWMA	addExpiry
addMACD	addMomentum	addROC
addRSI	addSAR	addSMI
addTRIX	addVo	addWMA
addWPR	addZLEMA	more to come!!!!

Adding with TA=

chartSeries(IBM,TA=NULL)

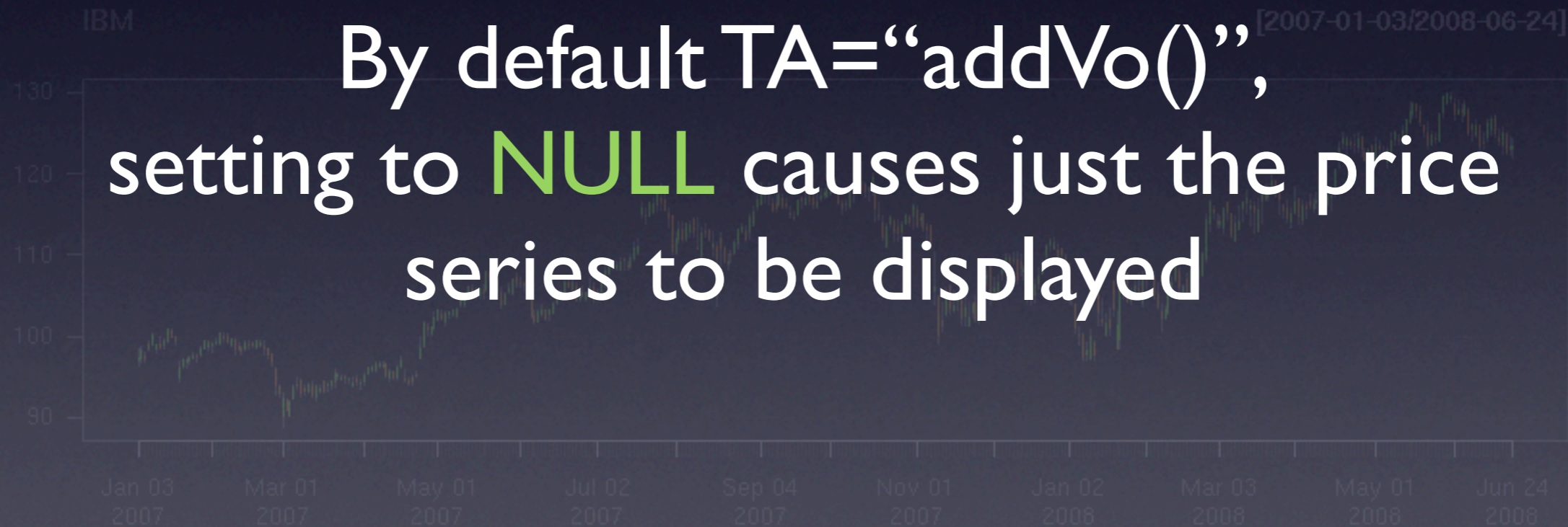


5000 10000 15000 20000 25000 30000 35000 40000 45000 50000

Adding with TA=

```
chartSeries(IBM,TA=NULL)
```

By default TA="addVo()",
setting to **NULL** causes just the price
series to be displayed



Adding with TA=

```
chartSeries(IBM, TA = "addMACD();addBBands()")
```


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```

> zoomChart('2008')



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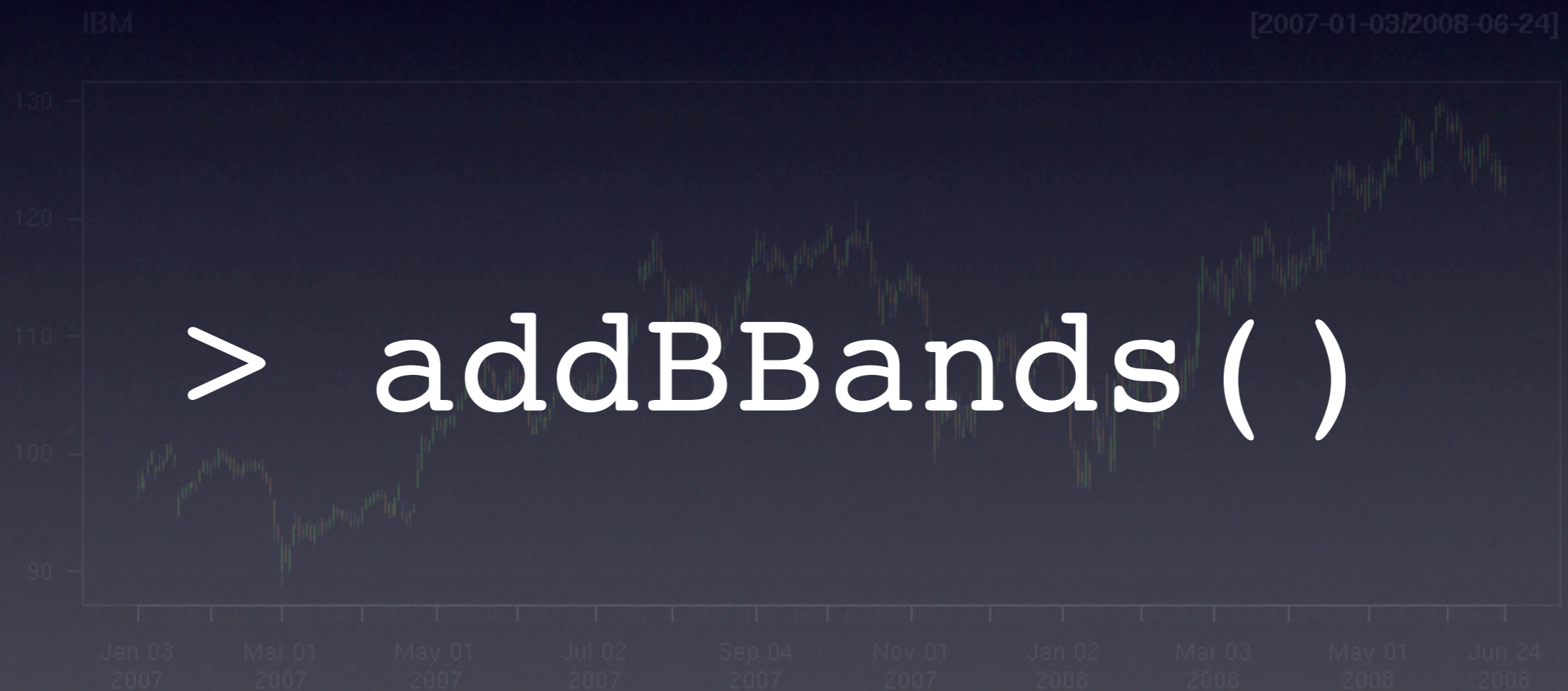
Adding **interactively**

```
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Adding **interactively**

Now with Bollinger Bands under the series



Adding **interactively**



Adding **interactively**

With a De-trended Price Oscillator



Custom TA

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addTA

add data directly to a chart

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newTA

create new TA functions easily

addTA

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returns the Garman-Klass volatility

addTA

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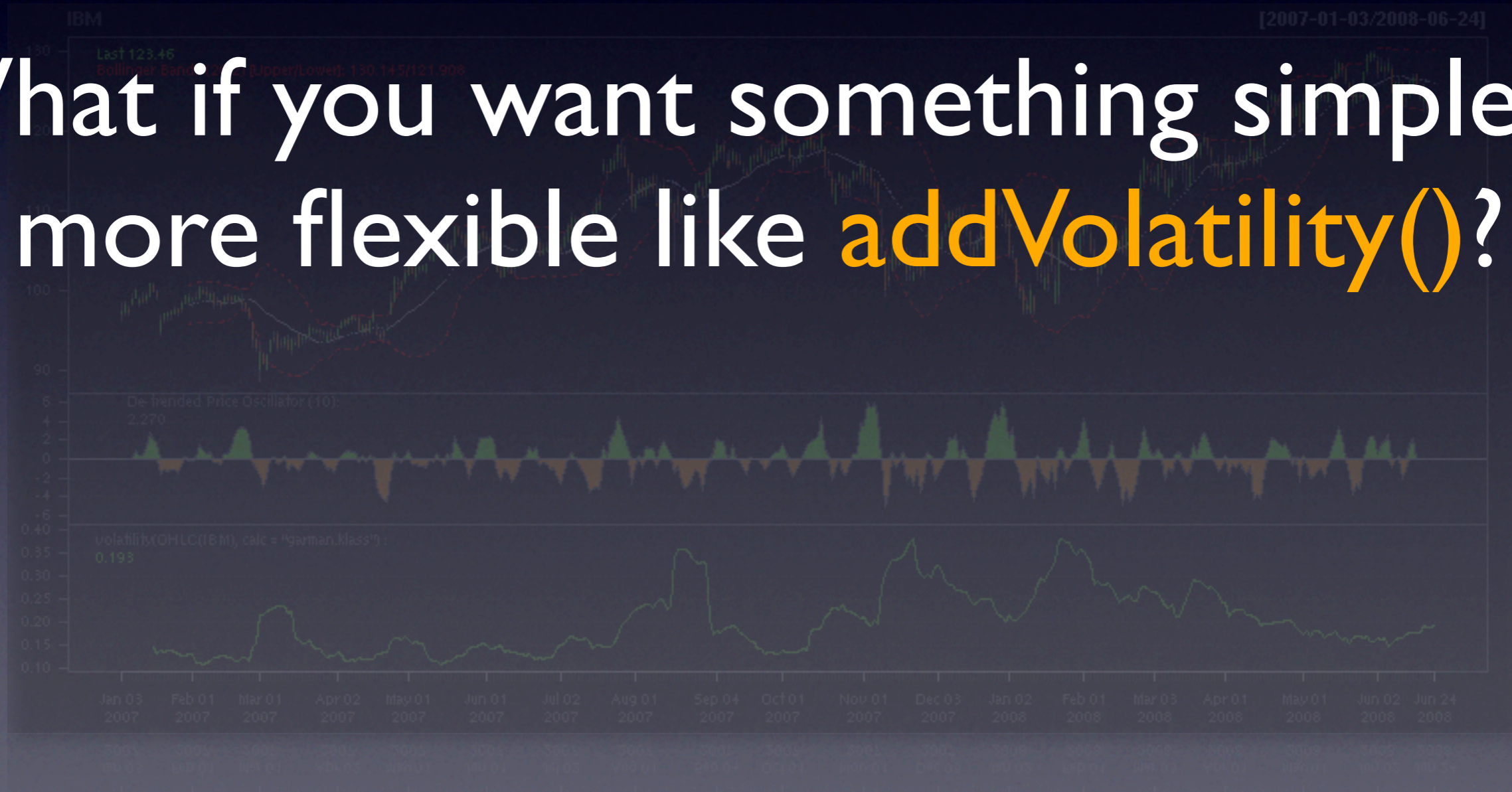


```
> addTA(volatility(OHLC(IBM),calc='garman.klass'),col=3)
```


addTA

The result is displayed just like any built-in TA

What if you want something simple & more flexible like **addVolatility()**?



newTA

Provide a mechanism to create functional TA additions
based on user functions

newTA

newTA automatically creates the code needed!

```
> addVolatility <- newTA(volatility, preFUN=OHLC, col=4,lwd=2)
>
> class(addVolatility)
[1] "function"
>
```


newTA

simply call the new function



newTA

done!



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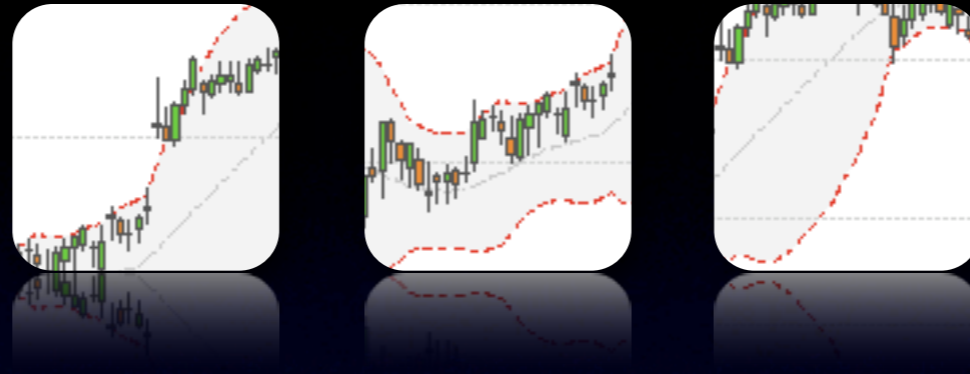
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