

Updating history

No.	Issue Date	Details
1	2013-10-15	First issue
2	2014-04-08	Include files for RMB Currency Futures (After-Hours Trading Session)
3	2014-12-01	Include files for London Metal Mini Futures
4	2015-05-22	Exclude files for Gold Futures
5	2018-08-29	Include files for Gold Futures
6	2019-04-01	Change field name, layout and description in Tick-by-tick data file and layout in Product master file
7	2019-09-02	Change description of DATE_FROM in Contact Master File
8	2020-03-30	Add new field names COUNTRY CODE, MARKET CODE and COMMODITY CODE in Product Master file and Contract master file

This file specification applies to 2 data products:

- Tick-by-Tick Data – All Futures/Options (Monthly File); and
- Tick-by-Tick Data – All Futures/Options (Daily File)

Data structure – present (from 15 October 2013)

The data provided in Tick-by-Tick Data – All Futures/Options are presented in 3 types of files:

- 1) Tick-by-tick data file;
- 2) Product master file; and
- 3) Contract master file.

The tick-by-tick data file is the core data file, while the latter two files provide static information on each contract covered in the tick-by-tick data file. For convenient data retrieval, the data files are provided in both fixed length text (.txt) and comma separated values (.csv). These 2 files only differ in format, but identical in data contents.

The data files are zipped into a single file for delivery. The following table lists out the data files to be found within the zipped file:

(Monthly File)	
File name	Contents
<i>Day Trading Session</i>	
yyyyymm_01_TR.txt yyyyymm_01_TR.csv	Tick-by-tick data file for Equity Index Futures/Options (e.g. Hang Seng Index Futures) for the trading month <i>yyyyymm</i> (e.g. 200304 for April 2003)
yyyyymm_02_TR.txt yyyyymm_02_TR.csv	Tick-by-tick data file for Stock Futures/Options for the month <i>yyyyymm</i>
yyyyymm_03_TR.txt yyyyymm_03_TR.csv	Tick-by-tick data file for Interest Rate Futures (e.g. 3-Month HIBOR Futures) for the month <i>yyyyymm</i>
yyyyymm_04_TR.txt yyyyymm_04_TR.csv	Tick-by-tick data file for RMB Currency Futures for the month <i>yyyyymm</i> (Available from September 2012)
yyyyymm_05_TR.txt yyyyymm_05_TR.csv	Tick by tick data file for Gold Futures for the month <i>yyyyymm</i> (Available from Oct 2008 – May 2015 and from August 2018)
yyyyymm_06_TR.txt yyyyymm_06_TR.csv	Tick-by-tick data file for London Metal Mini Futures for the month <i>yyyyymm</i> (Available from December 2014)
yyyyymm_01_MP.txt yyyyymm_01_MP.csv	Product master file for Equity Index Futures/Options
yyyyymm_02_MP.txt yyyyymm_02_MP.csv	Product master file for Stock Futures/Options

yyyyymm_03_MP.txt yyyyymm_03_MP.csv	Product master file for Interest Rate Futures
yyyyymm_04_MP.txt yyyyymm_04_MP.csv	Product master file for RMB Currency Futures (Available from September 2012)
yyyyymm_05_MP.txt yyyyymm_05_MP.csv	Product master file for Gold Futures (Available from Oct 2008 – May 2015 and from August 2018)
yyyyymm_06_MP.txt yyyyymm_06_MP.csv	Product master file for London Metal Mini Futures (Available from December 2014)
yyyyymm_01_MC.txt yyyyymm_01_MC.csv	Contract master file for Equity Index Futures/Options
yyyyymm_02_MC.txt yyyyymm_02_MC.csv	Contract master file for Stock Futures/Options
yyyyymm_03_MC.txt yyyyymm_03_MC.csv	Contract master file for Interest Rate Futures
yyyyymm_04_MC.txt yyyyymm_04_MC.csv	Contract master file for RMB Currency Futures (Available from September 2012)
yyyyymm_05_MC.txt yyyyymm_05_MC.csv	Contract master file for Gold Futures (Available from Oct 2008 – May 2015 and from August 2018)
yyyyymm_06_MC.txt yyyyymm_06_MC.csv	Contract master file for London Metal Mini Futures (Available from December 2014)
<i>After-Hours Trading Session</i>	
yyyyymm_01_TR_AHT.txt yyyyymm_01_TR_AHT.csv	Tick-by-tick data file of After-Hours Trading Session for Equity Index Futures/Options (e.g. Hang Seng Index Futures) for the trading month yyyyymm (e.g. 201305 for May 2013) (Available from April 2013)
yyyymmdd_01_TR_AHT.txt yyyymmdd_01_TR_AHT.csv (last trading day of the previous month)	Tick-by-tick data file of After-Hours Trading Session for Equity Index Futures/Options (e.g. Hang Seng Index Futures) for the last trading day of the previous month yyyymmdd (e.g. 20130430 for 30 April 2013) (Available from May 2013)
yyyymmdd_01_MP.txt yyyymmdd_01_MP.csv (last trading day of the previous month)	Product master file for Equity Index Futures/Options for the last trading day of the previous month (for After-Hours Trading Session) (Available from May 2013)
yyyymmdd_01_MC.txt yyyymmdd_01_MC.csv	Contract master file for Equity Index Futures/Options for the last trading day of the

(last trading day of the previous month)	previous month (for After-Hours Trading Session) (Available from May 2013)
yyyyymm_04_TR_AHT.txt yyyyymm_04_TR_AHT.csv	Tick-by-tick data file of After-Hours Trading Session for RMB Currency Futures for the month yyyyymm (Available from May 2014)
yyyymmdd_04_TR_AHT.txt yyyymmdd_04_TR_AHT.csv (last trading day of the previous month)	Tick-by-tick data file of After-Hours Trading Session for RMB Currency Futures for the last trading day of the previous month yyyymmdd (Available from May 2014)
yyyymmdd_04_MP.txt yyyymmdd_04_MP.csv (last trading day of the previous month)	Product master file for RMB Currency Futures for the last trading day of the previous month (for After-Hours Trading Session) (Available from May 2014)
yyyymmdd_04_MC.txt yyyymmdd_04_MC.csv (last trading day of the previous month)	Contract master file for RMB Currency Futures for the last trading day of the previous month (for After-Hours Trading Session) (Available from May 2014)
yyyyymm_05_TR_AHT.txt yyyyymm_05_TR_AHT.csv	Tick-by-tick data file of After-Hours Trading Session for Gold Futures for the month yyyyymm (Available from August 2018)
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yyyymmdd_05_MP.txt yyyymmdd_05_MP.csv (last trading day of the previous month)	Product master file for Gold Futures for the last trading day of the previous month (Available from August 2018)
yyyymmdd_05_MC.txt yyyymmdd_05_MC.csv (last trading day of the previous month)	Contract master file for Gold Futures for the last trading day of the previous month (Available from August 2018)
yyyyymm_06_TR_AHT.txt yyyyymm_06_TR_AHT.csv	Tick-by-tick data file of After-Hours Trading Session for London Metal Mini Futures for the month yyyyymm (Available from December 2015)
yyyymmdd_06_TR_AHT.txt yyyymmdd_06_TR_AHT.csv (last trading day of the previous month)	Tick-by-tick data file of After-Hours Trading Session for London Metal Mini Futures for the last trading day of the previous month yyyymmdd (Available from December 2015)

<code>yyyyymmdd_06_MP.txt</code> <code>yyyyymmdd_06_MP.csv</code> (last trading day of the previous month)	Product master file for London Metal Mini Futures for the last trading day of the previous month (for After-Hours Trading Session) (Available from December 2015)
<code>yyyyymmdd_06_MC.txt</code> <code>yyyyymmdd_06_MC.csv</code> (last trading day of the previous month)	Contract master file for London Metal Mini Futures for the last trading day of the previous month (for After-Hours Trading Session) (Available from December 2015)

(Daily File)

File name	Contents
<i>Day Trading Session</i>	
<i>yyyyymmdd_01_TR.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_01_TR.csv</i>	Tick-by-tick data file for Equity Index Futures/Options (e.g. Hang Seng Index Futures) for the trading day <i>yyyyymmdd</i> (e.g. 20130702 for 2 July 2013)
<i>yyyyymmdd_02_TR.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_02_TR.csv</i>	Tick-by-tick data file for Stock Futures/Options for the day <i>yyyyymmdd</i>
<i>yyyyymmdd_03_TR.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_03_TR.csv</i>	Tick-by-tick data file for Interest Rate Futures (e.g. 3-Month HIBOR Futures) for the day <i>yyyyymmdd</i>
<i>yyyyymmdd_04_TR.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_04_TR.csv</i>	Tick-by-tick data file for RMB Currency Futures for the day <i>yyyyymmdd</i>
<i>yyyyymmdd_05_TR.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_05_TR.csv</i>	Tick-by-tick data file for Gold Futures for the month <i>yyyyymmdd</i> (Available from 23 Oct 2008 – 21 May 2015 and from 29 August 2018)
<i>yyyyymmdd_06_TR.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_06_TR.csv</i>	Tick-by-tick data file for London Metal Mini Futures for the month <i>yyyyymmdd</i>
<i>yyyyymmdd_01_MP.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_01_MP.csv</i>	Product master file for Equity Index Futures/Options
<i>yyyyymmdd_02_MP.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_02_MP.csv</i>	Product master file for Stock Futures/Options
<i>yyyyymmdd_03_MP.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_03_MP.csv</i>	Product master file for Interest Rate Futures
<i>yyyyymmdd_04_MP.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_04_MP.csv</i>	Product master file for RMB Currency Futures
<i>yyyyymmdd_05_MP.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_05_MP.csv</i>	Product master file for Gold Futures (Available from 23 Oct 2008 – 21 May 2015 and from 29 August 2018)
<i>yyyyymmdd_06_MP.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_06_MP.csv</i>	Product master file for London Metal Mini Futures
<i>yyyyymmdd_01_MC.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_01_MC.csv</i>	Contract master file for Equity Index Futures/Options
<i>yyyyymmdd_02_MC.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_02_MC.csv</i>	Contract master file for Stock Futures/Options
<i>yyyyymmdd_03_MC.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_03_MC.csv</i>	Contract master file for Interest Rate Futures
<i>yyyyymmdd_04_MC.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_04_MC.csv</i>	Contract master file for RMB Currency Futures

yyyyymmdd_05_MC.txt yyyyymmdd_05_MC.csv	Contract master file for Gold Futures (Available from 23 Oct 2008 – 21 May 2015 and from 29 August 2018)
yyyyymmdd_06_MC.txt yyyyymmdd_06_MC.csv	Contract master file for London Metal Mini Futures
<i>After-Hours Trading Session</i>	
yyyyymmdd_01_TR_AHT.txt yyyyymmdd_01_TR_AHT.csv (previous trading day)	Tick-by-tick data file of After-Hours Trading Session for Equity Index Futures/Options (e.g. Hang Seng Index Futures) for the previous trading day yyyyymmdd (e.g. 20130702 for 2 July 2013)
yyyyymmdd_01_MP.txt yyyyymmdd_01_MP.csv (previous trading day)	Product master file for Equity Index Futures/Options for the previous trading day (for After Hours Trading Session)
yyyyymmdd_01_MC.txt yyyyymmdd_01_MC.csv (previous trading day)	Contract master file for Equity Index Futures/Options for the previous trading day (for After Hours Trading Session)
yyyyymmdd_04_TR_AHT.txt yyyyymmdd_04_TR_AHT.csv (previous trading day)	Tick-by-tick data file for RMB Currency Futures for the previous trading day yyyyymmdd (Available from 9 April 2014)
yyyyymmdd_04_MP.txt yyyyymmdd_04_MP.csv (previous trading day)	Product master file for RMB Currency Futures for the previous trading day (for After Hours Trading Session)
yyyyymmdd_04_MC.txt yyyyymmdd_04_MC.csv (previous trading day)	Contract master file for RMB Currency Futures for the previous trading day (for After Hours Trading Session)
yyyyymmdd_05_TR_AHT.txt yyyyymmdd_05_TR_AHT.csv (previous trading day)	Tick-by-tick data file for Gold Futures for the previous trading day yyyyymmdd (Available from 29 August 2018)
yyyyymmdd_05_MP.txt yyyyymmdd_05_MP.csv (previous trading day)	Product master file for Gold Futures for the previous trading day (Available from 29 August 2018)
yyyyymmdd_05_MC.txt yyyyymmdd_05_MC.csv (previous trading day)	Contract master file for Gold Futures for the previous trading day (Available from 29 August 2018)
yyyyymmdd_06_TR_AHT.txt yyyyymmdd_06_TR_AHT.csv (previous trading day)	Tick-by-tick data file for London Metal Mini Futures for the previous trading day yyyyymmdd (Available from 1 December 2014)

<i>yyyyymmdd_06_MP.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_06_MP.csv</i> (previous trading day)	Product master file for London Metal Mini Futures for the previous trading day (for After Hours Trading Session)
<i>yyyyymmdd_06_MC.txt</i> <i>yyyyymmdd_06_MC.csv</i> (previous trading day)	Contract master file for London Metal Mini Futures for the previous trading day (for After Hours Trading Session)

1. Tick-by-tick data file

Item no.	Field name	Layout	Description
1	CLASS_CODE	Character 6 bytes	Unique identifier assigned to the product class, such as "HSI" for Hang Seng Index
2	FUT_OPT	Character 1 bytes	To indicate if "Futures" or "Options" "F" - Futures "O" - Options
3	EXPIRY_DATE	Character 8 bytes	Expiry date of the contract. Format is YYYYMMDD where YYYY – year MM – month DD – date For example, "20031101" stand for 1 November 2003
4	STRIKE_PRC	Numeric 17 bytes Picture is 9(8).9(8)	Exercise price (or strike price) for "Options" contracts only Zero for "Futures" contracts
5	CALL_PUT	Character 1 bytes	"Call" / "Put" type for "Options" contracts "C" - Call Options "P" - Put Options " " - Futures
6	DATE	Character 8 bytes	Date of the trading day Format is YYYYMMDD where YYYY - year MM - month DD - day
7	TIME	Character 6 bytes	Transaction timestamp Format is HHMMSS where HH - hour MM - minute SS - second
8	PRICE	Numeric 17 bytes Picture is 9(8).9(8)	Traded price of the transaction
9	QUANTITY	Numeric 8 bytes Picture is 9(8)	Number of contracts traded in the transaction

Item no.	Field name	Layout	Description
10	TRADE_TYPE	Character 3 bytes	000 – 002 : Normal trade 003 – 006 : Block trade 007 : Standard combination - order matching 020 : Delta Hedge (Trade in pre-market opening) 036 : Tailor-made combination 043 : Combo versus Outright

Total data length 75 bytes

2. Product master file

Item no.	Field name	Layout	Description
1	CLASS_CODE	Character 6 bytes	Unique identifier assigned to the product class
2	FUT_OPT	Character 1 bytes	To indicate if "Futures" or "Options" "F" - Futures "O" - Options
3	DATE	Character 8 bytes	Reference date for the product details provided in this record. Format is YYYYMMDD where YYYY - year MM - month DD - day
4	PROD_NAME	Character 100 bytes	Name of the derivatives product class. Normally the name of the underlying stock.
5	DATE_FROM	Character 8 bytes	Launch date of the derivatives product Format is YYYYMMDD BLANK for class codes generated as the result of capital adjustment of the underlying stock.
6	DATE_TO	Character 8 bytes	Last trading date of the derivatives product. BLANK for active products.
7	EX_STYLE	Character 1 byte	Exercise style of the derivatives product "A" - American "E" - European
8	CURRENCY	Character 3 bytes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Currency of the multiplier if it is a dollar amount; OR ▪ Trading currency of the underlying stock if the multiplier is not a dollar amount "HK " - Hong Kong Dollars "US " - US Dollars "YN " - Japanese Yen "WO " - Korean Won "NT " - New Taiwan Dollar "CNY" – Chinese Renminbi
9	MULTIPLIER	Numeric 17 bytes Picture is 9(8).9(8)	The standard contract size in the number of underlying shares
10	COUNTRY CODE	Numeric 3 bytes Picture is 9(3)	Country code as country identifier of the product in HKATS

Item no.	Field name	Layout	Description
11	MARKET CODE	Numeric 4 bytes Picture is 9(4)	Market code of the product in HKATS
12	COMMODITY CODE	Numeric 6 bytes Picture is 9(6)	Commodity code as identifier of the product's underlying in HKATS

Total data length 165 bytes

3. Contract master file

Item no.	Field name	Layout	Description
1	CLASS_CODE	Character 6 bytes	Unique identifier assigned to the product class
2	FUT_OPT	Character 1 bytes	To indicate if "Futures" or "Options" "F" - Futures "O" - Options
3	EXPIRY_MTH	Character 4 bytes	Expiry month of the contract. Format is YYMM where YY - last 2 digit of the year MM - month For example, "0311" stands for November 2003
4	STRIKE_PRC	Numeric 17 bytes Picture is 9(8).9(8)	Exercise price (or strike price) for "Options" contracts only Zero for "Futures" contracts
5	CALL_PUT	Character 1 bytes	"Call" / "Put" type for "Options" contracts "C" - Call Options "P" - Put Options " " - Futures
6	DATE	Character 8 bytes	Reference date for the contract details provided in this record. Format is YYYYMMDD where YYYY - year MM - month DD - day
7	EXPIRY_DATE	Character 8 bytes	Expiry date of the contract Format is YYYYMMDD
8	CON_SIZE	Numeric 17 bytes Picture is 9(8).9(8)	Number of underlying shares represented by a contract
9	DATE_FROM	Character 8 bytes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For weekly options, it is the launch date of the contract For others, it is the first trading date of the contract Format is YYYYMMDD
10	DATE_TO	Character 8 bytes	Last trading date of the contract Format is YYYYMMDD
11	Filler	Character 20 bytes	Reserved field
12	COUNTRY_CODE	Numeric 3 bytes Picture is 9(3)	Country code as country identifier of the product in HKATS

Item no.	Field name	Layout	Description
13	MARKET CODE	Numeric 4 bytes Picture is 9(4)	Market code of the product in HKATS
14	COMMODITY CODE	Numeric 6 bytes Picture is 9(6)	Commodity code as identifier of the product's underlying in HKATS

Total data length 111 bytes