xChange Python API Reference

Important Functions

```
place_order( self, asset_code, order_type, order_side, qty, px )
```

Places an order on the exchange

Arguments:

```
asset_code (str) The code of the asset to place an order for
order_type (pb.OrderSpecType) The type of order (e.g. limit order, market order, etc.)
order_side (pb.OrderSpecSide) The side of the order
qty (int) The # of lots of the asset to buy/sell
px (Optional[float]) The price to buy/sell at. Not required if this is a market order.
```

Returns (pb. PlaceOrderResponse): The response from the exchange

```
modify_order( self, order_id, asset_code, order_type, order_side, qty, px )
```

Modify an order that you've already placed. If no order corresponding to the specified order_id exists, this will place the new order anyway. This makes this function particularly useful for maintaining quotes on a book

```
order_id (str) The ID of the order to replace
asset_code (str) The code of the asset to modify
order_type (pb.OrderSpecType) The type of order (e.g. limit order, market order, etc.)
order_side (pb.OrderSpecSide) The side of the order
qty (int) The # of lots of the asset to buy/sell
px (Optional[float]) The price to buy/sell at. Not required if this is a market order.
```

Returns (pb. ModifyOrderResponse): The response from the exchange

```
cancel_order( self, order_id )
```

Cancel the order with the specified id

order_id (str) The ID of the order to cancel

Returns (pb. CancelOrderResponse): The response from the exchange

Important Classes

class pb.PlaceOrderResponse

A response to a request to place an order

Fields:

ok (bool) Whether the request was successful

- If True, the order has been scheduled for creation. It may still be rejected with a `RequestFailedMessage'
- if False, request failed and no order will be placed

order_id (str) If ok=True, this is the ID of the order that was scheduled for creation message (str) Message about why the request to place an order may have failed

class pb.ModifyOrderResponse

A response to a request to modify an order

Fields:

ok (bool) Whether the request was successful

- If True, the order has been scheduled for modification. It may still be rejected with a `RequestFailedMessage'
- if False, request failed and no order will be modified

order_id (str) If ok=True, this is the ID of the order that was scheduled for creation message (str) Message about why the request to modify an order may have failed

class pb.CancelOrderResponse

A response to a request to cancel an order

Fields:

ok (bool) Whether the request was successful

- If True, the order has been scheduled for cancellation. It may still be rejected with a `RequestFailedMessage'
- if False, request failed and no order will be cancelled

message (str) Message about why the request to cancel the order may have failed

class pb.FeedMessage

A message sent from the exchange to the competitor that can be processed in the handle_exchange_update method of your bot. Exactly one of the following fields will actually be

populated. To find out which one, you can call

```
kind, _ = betterproto.which_one_of(feed_message, "msg")
```

After this, kind will be a string containing the name of the populated field (e.g. kind=="pnl_msg" if and only if feed_message.pnl_msg is populated). See the example bots for more details.

Fields:

request_failed_msg (pb.RequestFailedMessage) A message that tells you that your request to place/modify/cancel an order has failed

pnl_msg (pb.PnLMessage) An update containing PnL information for the competitor trade_msg (pb.TradeMessage) A message containing info about a recent trade that occurred fill_msg (pb.FillMessage) A message that tells you about an order of yours that filled.

market_snapshot_msg (pb.MarketSnapshotMessage) A message containing a snapshot of the order books for every asset

liquidation_msg (pb.LiquidationMessage) (irrelevant for this year's competition) order_cancelled_msg (pb.OrderCancelledMessage) A message indicating that orders have been cancelled (can occur intentionally or unintentionally)

generic_msg (pb.GenericMessage) A miscellaneous message sent through the update stream. Watch this for important information updates from the exchange about the case.

class pb.RequestFailedMessage

Response sent when a request to place an order has failed. If this message is received, then the request corresponding to the provided order IDs could not be completed

Fields:

type (pb.RequestFailedMessageType) The type of the failed request that was sent (i.e. whether it was to place/modify/cancel an order)

place_order_id (str) The ID of the order that was unsuccessfully placed (or used to replace an old order), if any

cancel_order_id (str) The ID of the order that was unsuccessfully cancelled (or replaced), if any
message (str) The message associated with the failed request
asset (str) Asset code that the request was sent for

timestamp (str) Timestamp that the failure was noted

enum pb.RequestFailedMessageType

Represents the type of request that failed in a pb.RequestFailedMessage.

Members: PLACE, MODIFY, CANCEL

An update containing PnL information for the competitor

Fields:

```
realized_pnl (str) The PnL of the competitor
m2m_pnl (str) Marked to Market PnL (a more accurate measure of your performance)
timestamp (str) The timestamp when this update was created
```

class pb.TradeMessage

A message containing info about a recent trade that occurred

Fields:

```
asset (str) The asset that the trade occurred in
price (str) The price that the trade occurred at
qty (int) The quantity of the trade
timestamp (str) The timestamp at which this trade occurred
```

class pb.FillMessage

An update containing info about a recent order fill that occurred. **These messages are only sent to the users affected by the fill**

Fields:

```
order_id (str) The ID of the order that was filled
asset (str) The asset that was filled
order_side (pb.FillMessageSide) The side that the competitor was on.
```

- If order_side==BUY, then this fill resulted in you buying the asset
- If order_side==SELL, then this fill resulted in you selling the asset

```
price (str) The price level that was filled at
filled_qty (int) The quantity that was filled
remaining_qty (int) The remaining quantity in the order
timestamp / str: The timestamp at which the fill was processed
```

enum pb.FillMessageSide

Contains information about the side that fill occurred on

Members: BUY, SELL

class pb.MarketSnapshotMessage

Update containing information on books for every asset

Fields:

books (Dict[str, pb.MarketSnapshotMessageBook]) map from asset code to a snapshot of the order book associated with that asset

timestamp (str) The time at which the market info was found

class pb.MarketSnapshotMessageBook

Information for individual asset within whole book update

Fields:

asset (str) The asset associated with the book

bids (List[pb.MarketSnapshotMessageBookPriceLevel]) The bid price levels

asks (List[pb.MarketSnapshotMessageBookPriceLevel]) The ask price levels containing qty and px

class pb.MarketSnapshotMessageBookPriceLevel

Quantities at each Price Level

Fields:

px (str) The price associated with this level. Note that this stored as a string in order to preserve precision

qty (int) The total quantity associated with this price level on the book

class pb. Generic Message

A misc. event sent through the update stream. The event_type can be used to interpret the context surrounding the message text

Fields:

event_type (pb.GenericMessageType) The type of exchange event that was sent through the feed
message (str) The message text associated with that event

enum pb.GenericMessageType

Represents the type of a generic message sent over the data feed

Members: MESSAGE, MESSAGE, INTERNAL_ERROR, COMPETITOR_DEACTIVATED, CHANNEL_REPLACED, ROUND_ENDED, RISK_LIMIT_BROKEN

class pb.LiquidationMessage

not relevant for this year's competition

class pb.OrderCancelledMessage (NEW IN v1.0.4)

A message sent to competitors when some of their orders were cancelled. This can happen for two main reasons:

- The competitor sent in a request to cancel the specified order and this request went through
- The competitor's order was cancelled automatically by the exchange when the competitor went over risk limits

order_ids (List[str]) The order IDs of the orders that was cancelled asset (str) Asset code of order that was cancelled intentional (bool) Whether the cancellation was intentional on the part of the competitor (i.e. a result of a cancellation request) or not (i.e the competitor's order was cancelled automatically) message (str) If the cancellation was unintentional, a message explaining the reason for cancellation timestamp (str) Timestamp when the cancellation occurred